

POOL REPORT

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Mrs. Ford Visit to Jagiellonian University Museum - Krakow

From airport, Mrs. Ford, Jack Ford, David Kissinger and escorts were driven to the University in Krakow.

They were met at the entrance by Prof. Karol Estreicher, Director of University Museum and Professor of Art History. Then, the party was led through various rooms and shown various artifacts, including instruments associated with Copernicus who attended the University. Jack Ford and David Kissinger trailed behind in the cluster of officials, security personnel, and press.

Mrs. Ford signed a guest book -- and was presented a book on the University and its collections -- Estreicher, the author. The book's title -- "The Collegium Maius." A stained-glass seal of the university was given to Mrs. Ford for the President.

Then, Mrs. Ford was led into a court-yard where about 80-people were gathered. Some of them were members of the Kosciusko Foundation (Polish-Americans) -- others, members of the Grand Valley College of Grand Rapids, Michigan (Ford's hometown) in Poland on exchange-programs sponsored by the U.S. government. Mrs. Ford, I'm told, knew a few of the Grand Rapids people. She chatted with them for about five minutes -- then left the university, entered a car, and was driven away. Jack Ford and David Kissinger walked in the street then -- the sidewalks lined with people -- to the square.

P.S. -- Mrs. Ford was greeted on the stairs by Adam Strzalkowski, rector of the University -- other members of the university were in the room too.

P.P.S. - First room - the corner hall known as Libraria or Corner Room -- houses scientific collections, particularly books,
 Next large room - the Common Room (with pews on either side) professors' meeting place.
 Next -- two smaller rooms -- inside a safe, the university insignia -- including a small gold globe from 1510 where the name "America" was inserted for the first time

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