

POOL REPORT

Pool #13 - November 17, 1975

The Town Hall where this afternoon's statements by the six chiefs of State will be made, is directly opposite the main gate to the Chateau, across a small square. It is an 18th century brick and stone building erected in the reign of King Louis 16th and given to the town by Napoleon in 1809.

The statements will be made in a small, rather spare, second floor chamber. The six chiefs are to sit side-by-side at a long wooden table which was brought into the room for the occasion. A raised platform -- the purpose of which is not clear -- is being hastily carpeted. In general, the scene is rather manic, indicating that this whole procedure was decided upon very late in the game.

The rear wall of the chamber is covered by an old map of the local region. On the other walls there are old portraits of various prominent local people and an official photo of President Giscard.

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