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**TRIP OF THE PRESIDENT TO THE
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN AND
VAIL, COLORADO
DECEMBER 19, 1976**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1976

7:15 a. m. est Press check-in at Andrews Air Force Base.

**8:15 a. m. est Press plane departs Andrews Air Force Base en
route Willow Run Airport, Ypsilanti, Michigan.**

PRESS NOTE: Continental breakfast served en route.

**8:30 a. m. est THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford board Marine One and
depart the South Lawn en route Andrews Air Force Base.**

**8:45 a. m. est THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford arrive Andrews Air
Force Base and board Air Force One.**

**Press Pool #1 accompanies the President aboard Air
Force One.**

**8:50 a. m. est AIR FORCE ONE DEPARTS Andrews Air Force Base
en route Willow Run Airport, Ypsilanti, Michigan.**

**Flying Time: 1 hour, 15 minutes
No Time Change**

**9:35 a. m. est Press plane arrives Willow Run Airport, Ypsilanti,
Press Advanceman: Michigan.
Dave Frederickson**

**PRESS NOTE: Press facilities located in press area:
6 long distance telephones**

**10:05 a. m. est THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford arrive Willow Run
Airport, Ypsilanti, Michigan.**

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

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The President and Mrs. Ford will be met by:

Mr. Bill McLaughlin, State GOP Chairman
Mr. Peter Fletcher, National Committeeman
Mr. Richard Kennedy, Vice President for State
Relations and Secretary of the University of
Michigan

PRESS NOTE: Following the arrival of the
President, the families of the Press Corps will
travel to nearby Dearborn, Michigan for a tour
of Greenfield Village and the Henry Ford Museum.

10:10 a.m. est THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford depart Willow Run
Airport via motorcade en route University of Michigan
Campus, Ann Arbor.

Press Pool #2 and press bus follow.

10:25 a.m. est THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford arrive Michigan League
Building, University of Michigan Campus.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

The President and Mrs. Ford will be met by:

President and Mrs. Robben Fleming, University of
Michigan President

THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford, escorted by President
and Mrs. Fleming, proceed inside Michigan League en
route Hussey Room.

PRESS POOL #2 WRITERS COVERAGE

PRESS NOTE: Press (including remainder of Press
Pool #2) proceed to the press area in Michigan
League Ballroom on the second floor. Press facilities:
10 long distance telephones
1 mult

10:30 a.m. est THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford arrive Hussey Room and
informally greet University of Michigan officials associated
with the Gerald R. Ford Library project.

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10:55 a. m. est Press Pool #2 writers assemble in Ballroom.

PRESS NOTE: At 11:15 a. m. the Michigan League Cafeteria on the first floor will service members of the Press Corps and Staff only. Cash basis.

10:55 a. m. est THE PRESIDENT, escorted by President Fleming, departs holding room en route Vandenberg Room for luncheon with University of Michigan Regents and other Commencement guests.

11:00 a. m. est THE PRESIDENT arrives Vandenberg Room and is seated for lunch.

PRESS POOL #2 WRITERS COVERAGE

11:05 a. m. est Lunch is served.

11:55 a. m. est Informal remarks by President Fleming, concluding in the introduction of Mrs. Ford.

12:00 noon est Informal remarks by Mrs. Ford.

12:02 p. m. est Introduction of the President by Dr. Fleming.

12:04 p. m. est PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS.

PRESS POOL #2 WRITERS COVERAGE

PRESS NOTE:
Remainder of Press Pool #2 should assemble by noon in Ballroom for motorcade.

12:06 p. m. est PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS CONCLUDE.

12:07 p. m. est President Fleming thanks the President and Mrs. Ford and concludes the luncheon.

12:08 p. m. est Press board bus for motorcade to Crisler Arena.

12:08 p. m. est THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford, escorted by President and Mrs. Fleming, proceed to motorcade for boarding.

Press Pool #2 follows.

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12:15 p. m. est THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford depart Michigan League via motorcade en route Crisler Arena, University of Michigan campus.

12:20 p. m. est THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford arrive Crisler Arena.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford, escorted by President and Mrs. Fleming, proceed to Michigan Lounge.

Press Pool #2 follows and then proceeds to camera platform, main floor Crisler Arena.

PRESS NOTE: Press proceed directly to camera platform, main floor Crisler Arena. Press facilities:
15 long distance telephones
1 mult
25 foot camera throw, center stage right

12:35 p. m. est THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford informally greet commencement guests.

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12:45 p. m. est Press Pool #2 assemble at camera platform to pre-position for President's entry into Arena.

12:50 p. m. est Processional begins.

12:53 p. m. est THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford proceed to offstage announcement area.

12:57 p. m. est THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford, escorted by Dr. Fleming, Vice President Kennedy and Vice President Pierpont, proceed onto platform and remain standing.

Press Pool #2 follows.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

1:00 p. m. est National Anthem by University of Michigan Symphony Band.

1:03 p. m. est Invocation by the Reverend Erwin A. Gaede, Minister, The First Unitarian Church.

1:05 p. m. est THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford are seated.
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- 1:06 p. m. est Musical Selection by the University of Michigan Men's Glee Club.
- 1:10 p. m. est Remarks by Dr. Brymer Williams, Chairman of the Senate Advisory Committee on University Affairs.
- 1:13 p. m. est Remarks and introduction of Commencement Speaker by Dr. Fleming
- 1:15 p. m. est Remarks by University Vice President W. K. Pierpont.
- 1:25 p. m. est Remarks by Dr. Fleming, concluding in the conferring of an Honorary Degree upon Mrs. Ford.
- 1:30 p. m. est Acceptance by Mrs. Ford.
- 1:32 p. m. est Remarks conclude and Mrs. Ford returns to her seat.
- 1:33 p. m. est Thank you by Dr. Fleming

Musical Medley

PRESS NOTE: At the conclusion of Mrs. Ford's remarks Press Pool #2 should assemble in front of the camera platform.

- 1:34 p. m. est THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford, escorted by Vice President Kennedy, depart platform en route Michigan Lounge.

Press Pool #2 follows.

PRESS NOTE: Upon departure of the President and Mrs. Ford press should proceed immediately to board bus for motorcade to Willow Run Airport.

- 1:36 p. m. est THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford arrive Michigan Lounge for family photo with Mike, Jack and Susan.

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- 1:40 p. m. est THE PRESIDENT, Mrs. Ford, Mike, Jack and Susan proceed to motorcade for boarding.

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1:45 p. m. est THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford depart Crisler Arena via motorcade en route Willow Run Airport, Ypsilanti.

PRESS NOTE: Press Corps families due to arrive Willow Run Airport approximately 1:45 p. m.

2:05 p. m. est THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford arrive Willow Run Airport, board Air Force One and depart en route Grand Junction, Colorado.

Press Pool #3 accompanies the President aboard Air Force One.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

Flying Time: 3 hours, 15 minutes
Time Change: -2 hours

2:20 p. m. est Press plane departs Willow Run Airport en route Grand Junction, Colorado.

PRESS NOTE: Full dinner service en route.

3:20 p. m. mst THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford arrive Hall Aviation
Press Advance: Hangar, Walker Field, Grand Junction, Colorado.
Jim Hunter

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

PRESS NOTE: Press facilities:
2 long distance telephones

The President and Mrs. Ford will be met by:

Mrs. Maxine Albers, County Commissioners Chairman
Mr. Jim Spellman, Airport Manager

3:25 p. m. mst THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford board Marine One and depart en route Nottingham Farm Landing Zone, Avon, Colorado.

Press Pool #4 boards press helicopter.

PRESS NOTE: Remaining Air Force One pool members will be driven to main terminal for press buses to Vail.

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3:35 p. m. mst Press plane arrives main terminal, Walker Field, Grand Junction, Colorado.

PRESS NOTE: Press facilities:
3 long distance telephones

Press who have ordered rental cars should pick them up at the Hertz counter in the airport.

4:00 p. m. mst Press buses 1, 2, and 3 depart Walker Field en route Vail, Colorado.

4:35 p. m. mst THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford arrive Nottingham
Press Advance: Farm Landing Zone, Avon, Colorado.
Hugh O'Neill

PRESS POOL #4 COVERAGE

PRESS NOTE: Local press pool prepositioned for arrival.

The President and Mrs. Ford will be met by:
The Nottingham Family

4:40 p. m. mst THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford depart Nottingham Farm via motorcade en route Vail Village.

Press Pool #5 follows.

4:55 p. m. mst THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford arrive Vail Village.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

The President and Mrs. Ford will be met by:
Mayor John Dobson

The President and Mrs. Ford, escorted by Mayor Dobson, proceed on foot approximately one block to the Vail Town Square for brief Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony.

5:05 p. m. mst THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford arrive platform in Town Square and remain standing.

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

PRESS NOTE: Camera platform with 30 foot throw.

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5:07 p. m. mst Welcoming remarks by Mayor John Dobson, concluding in an invitation to the President and Mrs. Ford to light the Vail Christmas Tree.

5:09 p. m. mst PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS.

FULL PRESS COVERAGE

5:10 p. m. mst THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford depart platform en route motorcade.

5:15 p. m. mst THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford board motorcade and depart en route Residence.

PRESS NOTE: Press Pool #5 should proceed on foot to the Residence.

5:20 p. m. mst THE PRESIDENT and Mrs. Ford arrive Residence and proceed inside.

PRESS POOL #5 COVERAGE

5:22 p. m. mst Press will be driven to Mountain Haus Press Center.

7:00 p. m. mst Press buses 1, 2 and 3 arrive Vail Village, Mountain Haus.

PRESS NOTE: Press Center located in basement of Mountain Haus. Press facilities:

25 long distance telephones
5 telex

PRESS NOTE: The Message Center telephone number is 303/476-4850. Center will be in operation from 8 a. m. to 10 p. m.

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