


May 8, 1975

10:00 a. m.



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

DINNER IN HONOR OF
HIS EXCELLENCY
THE PRIME MINISTER OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE
AND MRS. LEE

May 8, 1975

8:00 p. m.

Dress: Black tie ... long dresses for the ladies

Arrival:

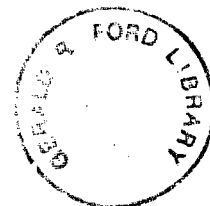
- 8:00 p. m. ... at North Portico Entrance ... Prime Minister and Mrs. Lee, Ambassador and Mrs. Catto
- You and Mrs. Ford will greet
- Photo coverage of greeting

Yellow Oval Room:

- Secretary and Mrs. Kissinger; His Excellency Sinnathamby Rajaratnam, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Singapore; His Excellency The Ambassador of the Republic of Singapore and Mrs. Monteiro will assemble just prior to the 8:00 p. m. arrival of Prime Minister and Mrs. Lee and Ambassador and Mrs. Catto.
- Color Guard will request permission to remove Colors at approximately 8:10 p. m. ... all guests except Prime Minister and Mrs. Lee will depart at this time.

Grand Entrance:

- Approximately 8:12 p. m. ... descend Grand Staircase preceded by Color Guard
- Pause at foot of staircase for official photograph (Prime Minister Lee to your right ... Mrs. Lee to your left ... then Mrs. Ford).



- Color Guard re-forms and procession moves to red carpet facing East Room ... pause for Ruffles and Flourishes and announcement ... take receiving line positions (Prime Minister Lee to your right ... then Mrs. Ford ... then Mrs. Lee).
- Follow Color Guard into East Room when "Hail to the Chief" is played.

Receiving Line:

- Take position just inside door of East Room ... Ambassador Catto will present your guests
- After receiving line, follow guests into State Dining Room

Dinner:

- Round tables
- No press coverage of dinner; toasts will be piped to the press ... transcripts will be released to the press ... there will be mini-camera coverage of the toasts with a small photo pool.

After-Dinner:

- 10:00 p. m. ... guests proceed to parlors for demitasse, liqueurs, and cigars. You and Mrs. Ford will escort Prime Minister and Mrs. Lee to the Blue Room where you will visit informally with your guests.
- 10:05 p. m. ... after-dinner guests will be escorted to the State Floor. You, Mrs. Ford, Prime Minister and Mrs. Lee (Prime Minister Lee to your right ... then Mrs. Ford ... then Mrs. Lee) will receive the after-dinner guests from a position in the Grand Hall in front of the Blue Room and facing the East Room -- a Military Social Aide will present your guests -- guests will proceed to the East Room and take their seats.

Entertainment:

- After the guests are seated, you will enter the East Room through the Green Room door and seat Mrs. Ford, Prime Minister and Mrs. Lee.
- You proceed to the stage which will be located along the north wall and introduce Mr. Edward Villella and Miss Violette Verdy.



NOTE: Suggested remarks (Tab A).

-- At the conclusion of the performance, you and Mrs. Ford will escort Prime Minister and Mrs. Lee to the stage to thank Mr. Vilella and Miss Verdy.

NOTE: There will be press coverage of the entertainment, including pool coverage of your introduction, the first part and concluding part of the program, and your closing remarks.

-- After you have thanked Mr. Vilella and Miss Verdy, you and Mrs. Ford will escort Prime Minister and Mrs. Lee to the Blue Room for champagne.

Departure:

-- You, Mrs. Ford, Ambassador and Mrs. Catto escort Prime Minister and Mrs. Lee to the North Portico.

-- You and Mrs. Ford may wish to return for dancing or return to the Family Quarters.

-- There will be champagne, mixed drinks and dancing in the Grand Foyer for the guests who remain.

NOTES:

-- The dinner and after-dinner guest lists are attached (Tab B).

-- A suggested toast is attached (Tab C).

-- Military Social Aides will be present.

-- A Marine Harpist will be playing in the Diplomatic Reception Room as your dinner and after-dinner guests arrive.

-- U. S. Air Force Band will be playing on the South Portico Balcony as your dinner guests arrive.

-- White House photographer will be present.

-- There will not be interpreters.

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