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FACT SHEET  
Mrs. Ford's Office

Event Reception  
 Group Republican National Committee  
 DATE/TIME September 8, 1975 6:30 p. m.  
 Contact Gwen Anderson (Susan Hosmer) Phone X 7007  
 Number of guests: Total approx. 300 Women x Men x Children \_\_\_\_\_  
 Place State Floor  
 Principals involved President and Mrs. Ford  
 Participation by Principal yes (Receiving line) no (mingle informally)  
 Remarks required yes  
 Background Members of the Republican National Committee will be in Washington for a meeting.

REQUIREMENTS

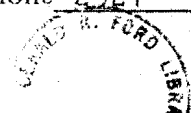
Social: Guest list yes  
 Invitations no Programs no Menus no  
 Refreshments cocktails and hors d'oeuvres  
 Entertainment no  
 Decorations/flowers yes  
 Music yes  
 Social Aides yes  
 Dress Business Suit - Afternoon Dress for the Ladies Coat check ?  
 Other --

Press: Reporters NONE  
 Photographers --  
 TV Crews --  
 White House Photographers yes Color yes Mono. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other --

Technical Support: Microphones yes PA Other Rooms no  
 Recording yes  
 Lights no  
 Transportation Buses (6 or 7) - arrive SE Gate  
 Parking South Grounds  
 Housing \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_ (Risers, stage, platforms) yes

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Site diagrams should be attached if technical support is heavy.



REVISED  
September 8, 1975  
12:45 p.m.

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

RECEPTION FOR  
THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE

Monday, September 8, 1975  
6:30 p.m.

Dress: Business suit ... afternoon dresses for the ladies

Sequence of  
Events:

6:30 p.m. Your guests will arrive through the Diplomatic Reception Room and will be escorted to the East Room.

6:45 p.m. You and Mrs. Ford will be escorted via elevator from the Family Quarters to the Grand Hall where you will meet Mrs. Mary Louise Smith. You, Mrs. Ford and Mrs. Smith will proceed to the East Room to the platform that will be located along the center of the east wall where a podium will be placed.

Mrs. Mary Louise Smith will make brief opening remarks which will conclude by her introduction of you. You will make brief welcoming remarks.

Following remarks, you will invite your guests into the State Dining Room for cocktails and hors d'oeuvres. You and Mrs. Ford may wish to join your guests and mingle informally.

7:30 p.m. You and Mrs. Ford will bid farewell to your guests and return to the Family Quarters.

NOTES:

A White House photographer will be present.

Military Social Aides will be present.

A String Ensemble will be positioned in the Grand Hall.



Suggested welcoming remarks are attached. (Tab A)

There will be full press coverage of the President's remarks in the East Room and writing pool press coverage of the Reception.

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—Associated Press

First Lady Betty Ford and GOP National Committee Chairman Mary Louise Smith (center) applaud

President Ford after his address before a gathering of Republicans in the White House last night.

## Ford Urges GOP to Woo Non-Voters

By Fred Barnes

Washington Star Staff Writer

President Ford has urged the Republican party, in its bid for an election comeback in 1976, to woo Americans who have been too apathetic to vote in prior elections.