JULY 1, 1975

Office of the White House Press Secretary

NOTICE TO THE PRESS

. 10:00 a.m. POSTING

The President's Schedule

The President came to the Oval Office at 7:40 a.m. today. He held meetings with members of his staff until about 9:45 a.m.

At 9:55 a.m. the President left the White House by motorcade to the Sheraton Park Hotel, where he is to address the 66th Annual Convention of the NAACP at approximately 10:30 a.m. A travel pool, which has been posted, accompanied the President. His remarks will be piped into the Press Room on the public address system and an advance text was made available for release upon delivery.

At approximately 11:00 a.m. the President leaves the Sheraton Park Hotel and travels to the National Institutes of Health. There he will participate in swearing in ceremonies for Dr. Theodore Cooper as HEW's Assistant Secretary for Health and Dr. Donald Fredrickson as Director of the National Institutes of Health. No advance text is available, but the remarks will be piped in the Press Room on the public address system.

The President will return to the White House at 12:25 p.m. At 12:30 p.m., the President will greet those attending a meeting of the National Voluntary Social Welfare Leadership Agencies which is taking place today in the Family Theater. About fifty representatives of volunteer social agencies are attending a meeting arranged by the Office of Public Liaison. They will hear remarks by HEW Secretary Caspar W. Weinberger, Assistant Labor Secretary William Kolberg, and LEAA Administrator Richard Velde. No coverage is planned.

Press Secretary Ron Nessen will hold his briefing at 1:00 p.m.

At 2:00 p.m. the President will attend an Economic/Energy Meeting in the Cabinet Room. This is one in a series of meetings of this group, which are scheduled regularly to discuss topics of major concern in the economic and energy fields. No coverage is planned.

At 3:15 p.m. the President will greet the 1975 Presidential Scholars in the East Garden. He will have brief remarks. There will be open coverage and the remarks will be piped into the Press Room. There will be no advance text. The 1975 Presidential Scholars are a total of 121 Presidential Scholars—from the 50 states and the territories—are in Washington for a two day event, which concludes with the White House reception and a presentation of medallions. Following the East Garden event, they will have a tour of the White House.

Official Announcements

- 1. A Message to Congress proposing three rescissions and reporting twenty-seven deferrals. The rescissions total \$123.7 and the deferrals total \$2,729.4 million. (Copies available separately.)
- 2. A letter to the President of the Senate proposing a Joint Resolution which would provide Congressional approval of the "Covenant to Establish A Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in Political Union with the United States of America." (Copies available in the Press Office.)

Presidential Travel

JULY 4-Friday

On Friday evening, July 4, the President, as previously announced, will travel to Fort McHenry in Baltimore to participate in the sixth annual "Our Country" Bicentennial program, which is co-sponsored by the National Park Service and the Baltimore Federal Executive Board.

The Fort McHenry Bicentennial celebration is in two parts. The first part, "The Dawn's Early Light," includes overnight camping at the Fort before a dawn (4:00 a.m.) reenactment of the British attack on the Fort (September 13-14, 1814). It was this battle that inspired Francis Scott Key to write the Star Spangled Banner. The second part of the program is "Our Country," which runs from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

The President will participate in a program beginning at 8:00 p.m., which includes the raising of a 30 by 42 foot replica of the American Flag which flew over the Fort in 1814; a naturalization ceremony for about 40 new citizens conducted by U. S. District Court Judge Edward S. Northrup remarks by the President and Mayor William D. Schaefer and others, and a fireworks display.

JULY 11-13-Friday to Sunday

On Friday through Sunday, July 11-13, the President will travel to Traverse City, Michigan; Chicago, Illinois, and Mackinac Island, Michigan.

On Friday, July 11, the President will participate in the National Cherry Festival Parade at Traverse City. The parade is the culmination of a week long National Cherry Festival held annually in Traverse City (the area produces 70 percent of the world's sweet cherries). The President will then fly to Chicago to attend a 6:00 p.m. (CDT) reception and address the dinner meeting of the mid-American Committee, an organization of Chicago-based international businessmen at the Palmer House. The President will remain at the Palmer House overnight.

On Saturday, July 12, at 11:30 a.m. (CDT), the President will hold a press conference at the Palmer House. The format will be the same as other out-of-town press conferences, with questions alternating between the traveling White House press and the Chicago area press. The President will then address the Chicago State University commencement ceremony at 2:00 p.m. (CDT), at the Arie Crown Theatre at McCormick Place.

The President then will fly to Traverse City, Michigan, to play the last nine holes of the Walter Hagen Memorial Golf Tournament at the Traverse City Golf and Country Club with Senator Robert Griffin (R-Michigan). Saturday evening, the President will attend a 9:00 p.m. (EDT) performance of the National Music Camp's National High School Band at the Kresge Auditorium of Interlochen Arts Academy, Interlochen, Michigan. Following the performance, the President will spend the night at the summer Governor's residence, which is maintained by the Mackinac Island State Park Commission on Mackinac Island, Michigan, as the guest of Michigan Governor William G. Milliken.

On Sunday, July 13, the President will address an 8:30 a.m. (EDT) breakfast meeting of the Sixth Circuit Conference of the Federal District and Circuit Judges of the Sixth Circuit at the Grand Hotel. The Sixth Circuit includes the States of Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky, and Tennessee.

The President will return to Washington Sunday evening.