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Office of the White House Press Secretary

NOTICE TO THE PRESS

The President's Schedule

The President came to the Oval Office at 7:40 a.m., meeting briefly with staff members before departing for the State Department.

The President arrived at the State Department at 8:00 a.m., and he watched the 8:20 a.m. launch of the Soviet Union's Soyuz spacecraft. Participating were Deputy Secretary of State Robert Ingersoll, NASA Administrator James Fletcher and Soviet Ambassador Dobrynin. The President had brief remarks. A travel pool accompanied the President and a copy of his remarks will be available.

Returning to the White House at 8:45 a.m., the President continued the meetings with his staff. He will depart for the Department of Defense at 10:50 a.m.

Scheduled to arrive at the Pentagon at 11:00 a.m., the President will participate in a Defense Management Conference arranged by the Office of Management and Budget. Discussing management procedures with the President will be Secretary Schlesinger, Deputy Secretary Clements, OMB Director Lynn, and other OMB and Defense Department officials. The President will meet briefly with Secretary Schlesinger before attending a meeting of the Armed Forces Policy Council, where he will make an opening presentation. This will be followed by remarks by the Secretary and the Deputy Secretary, and a summation by the President will conclude the session. A travel pool will accompany the President and coverage is planned only at the opening of the meeting.

The President will meet with Secretary of Interior Stanley K. Hathaway at 2:00 p.m. The one hour meeting is the first private session the President has had with Secretary Hathaway since he was sworn in on June 13. This is the fifth in a series of meetings with new members of the Cabinet and the President plans to discuss several areas of Department policy with Secretary Hathaway. A press photo is planned at the opening of the meeting.

At approximately 3:50 p.m., the President and Mrs. Ford will watch the televised launch of the U. S. spacecraft Apollo in the Oval Office. There will be a brief photo session.

Official Announcements

The President today announced his intention to nominate Richard D. Rogers, of Manhattan, Kansas, to be United States District Judge for the District of Kansas (NOTICE TO THE PRESS).