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AFI pooler -- LA-Glendale-Lawton:

Your poolers agree that nothing on the ground at Glendale requires report; the transcript of Ford's ~~remarks~~ remarks to poolers and a few others before he left Glendale having been separately distributed.

Abgord Air Force. Once out of Los Angeles, Nessen's only response to questions about the ~~Walt~~ reports ~~about~~ Ford's income and expenditure practices as reflected in ~~that~~ an IRS audit in 1973 of his income tax returns for 1972 and preceding 1972 went to the source rather than the substance of the ~~IRS~~ reports. Nessen specifically cited the Washington Post report that a supporter of the Carter-for-President campaign made the IRS study available to that newspaper. Nessen said it is his understanding that the law provides a one-year jail term for someone who illegally distributes confidential tax information. Nessen ~~xxxxxxx~~ said he thinks an effort should be made to find out which Carter supporter ~~xxxxxxx~~ leaked the material. Nessen talked only in terms of the Washington Post story this morning. He said the same story appeared in a Jack Anderson report two years ago "in a story ^{designed} ~~designed~~ to show how honest the President was."

He was asked about the statement ~~by~~ ^{by} one of the California Spanish-speaking Americans who met with Ford that Ford had said he would veto the Rodino immigration bill. He said he didn't know anything about that. He also was asked about a report that Ford would ~~xxxx~~ impose quotas ^{on} imports of foreign beef. He said ~~that~~ Ford was reviewing material supplied by the Department of Agriculture on that subject and indicated that something may be coming up on that.

Re weekend schedule, Nessen said: tickets for all in press party who wish attend ~~xxxx~~ Dallas football game will be available. Sunday, Ford will attend the service at the Dallas Southern Baptist church presided over by the Reverend Criswell whose name and initials are known to everybody except your poolers.

David Nyhan -- Boston Globe

Agn Empton- ABC

John Osborne- New Republic

Nessen near end of flight said ~~xxxx~~ "we are going to issue a lengthy ^{fact sheet} ~~sheet~~ on all the errors on the factual errors and misstatements in the debate in San Francisco. It will open by a five-paragraph statement by the Press Secretary, a kind of a general statement. If anybody wants it, I will read part of for film and audio tape Friday