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THE WHITE HOUSE
Office of the Press Secretary to Mrs. Ford

The President and Mrs. Ford will entertain at a dinner tonight honoring members of the Cabinet and senior White House staff. The dinner will be held in the Blue Room of the White House and will be followed by dancing in the Grand Hall. 54 guests are expected.

Guests have been invited for 7 p.m. and will be escorted to the Yellow Oval Room in the Family Quarters for cocktails. Dinner will be served at 8 p.m.

Six round tables will be used, each of which will seat nine guests. The tables will be covered with white organdy over blue cloths. A combination of three Presidential sets of china will be used: Wilson service plates, Johnson soup plates and Franklin D. Roosevelt salad and dessert plates. Minuet Silver flatwear will be used with the Morgantown crystal.

The menu includes:

Gazpacho with diced condiments
Roast sirloin of beef au Jus
Tiny new potatoes with mushrooms
Asparagus tips
Tossed green salad - melba toast
Pecan ice cream mold with fresh peaches
Petits fours

Wines include:

Bernkastler Doktor L.M. Cabernet Sauvignon Taittinger Blanc de Blancs

Music following the dinner will be provided by the United States Marine Dance Combo. Flower arrangements on the tables will accentuate colors of the Blue Room. The arrangements will include blue cornflowers, pink miniature carnations, bronze snapdragons and Peruvian lillies. White marguerite daisies and white pinochio pompom chrysanthemums will also be used.