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

Mrs. Ford will be special guest of honor Saturday, November 22, at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts at 8:30 PM for the performance of the Moscow State Symphony. She will drop-by a special reception in the Chinese Room immediately following the concert which is being hosted by Van Cliburn and the Van Cliburn Foundation.

Soviet pianist, Vladimir Viardo, winner of the 1973 Van Cliburn International Piano Competition will be performing with the Moscow State Symphony. Mr. Viardo is the first Soviet pianist to win the top prize in the Cliburn Piano competition since its inception in 1962. Vladimir Viardo will be making a major tour of the United States with the Symphony and he will also be representing the Van Cliburn International Piano Competition.

Mrs. Ford will be joined by her guests in the Presidential Box. They include, Ambassador and Mrs. Dobrynin, Secretary and Mrs. Kissinger, Mr. Van Cliburn and his mother, Mrs. Rildia Bwee O'Bryan Cliburn.

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Press Pick-up in Kennedy Center Press Room at 7:50 PM