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1) Subject: Meeting with James A. Baker and his staff

2) Meeting with Elizabeth H. Dole and her staff

3) Meeting with the Task Force on Victims of Crime to receive a report.

4) Meeting with the Republican National Committee for a photo opportunity.

5) Drop-By at Reception for outgoing RNC Chairman, Dick Richards.

6) List of invitees for meeting with the representatives of the European Democrat Union.

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THE SCHEDULE OF PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN



THE PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE Thursday, January 27, 1983

9:00 am (30 min)	<u>Staff Time</u> (Baker, Meese, Deaver)	Oval Office
9:30 am (15 min)	<u>National Security Briefing</u> (Clark)	Oval Office
9:45 am (15 min)	<u>Senior Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
10:00 am (60 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
11:00 am (30 min)	<u>Briefing for Mubarak Meeting</u> (Clark) (distributed separately)	Oval Office
11:30 am (30 min)	<u>Meeting with President Mubarak of Egypt</u> (Clark)	Oval Office/ Residence
12:15 pm (75 min)	<u>Lunch with President Mubarak</u> (Clark)	Residence
1:30 pm (10 min)	<u>Departure Statements</u> (Clark)	Diplomatic Room Entrance
2:00 pm (30 min)	<u>Personnel Time</u> (von Damm)	Oval Office
2:30 pm (30 min)	<u>Administrative Time - Photos</u> (Tab A) (1) Alois Mock of Austria (Clark) (dist. sep) (2) Baker Staff (Baker) (3) Dole Staff (Dole) (4) Task Force on Victims of Crime (Fuller) (5) Fahrenkopf, Curb, Laxalt (Rollins)	Oval Office Oval Office Oval Office Roosevelt Room Oval Office
3:00 (15 mins) 3:00 pm (2hr20min)	MTG w/ ANS W/ WILSON <u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office Oval Office
5:20 pm	<u>Depart for Dick Richards Reception</u> <u>at Washington Hilton</u> (Henkel) (Tab B) (draft remarks attached)	South Grounds
6:05 pm	<u>Return to White House</u>	South Grounds
Approx. 8:00 pm	N <u>Depart for National Gallery of Art Dinner</u> (Henkel) WHITE TIE (draft remarks attached) (schedule available in a.m.) (Tab C) UNP 1/26/83 4:00 pm	South Grounds

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THE SCHEDULE OF
PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN



THE PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE
Thursday, January 27, 1983

9:04- OVAL

9:00 am (30 min)	<u>Staff Time 9:06 -</u> (Baker, Meese, Deaver)	Oval Office
9:30 am (15 min)	<u>National Security Briefing 9:28 - 9:48</u> (Clark), BUSH, AL SMITH BOEN, GASTON SIGUR, JEFF KEMP	Oval Office
9:45 am (15 min)	<u>Senior Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
10:00 am (60 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time 9:49 -</u>	Oval Office
11:00 am (30 min)	<u>Briefing for Mubarak Meeting</u> (Clark) 11:00 - 11:25 (distributed separately)	Oval Office
11:30 am (30 min)	<u>Meeting with President Mubarak of Egypt</u> (Clark) 11:30 - 11:54 - OVAL OFFICE 11:54 - CABINET ROOM	Oval Office/ Residence
12:15 pm (75 min)	<u>Lunch with President Mubarak</u> 12:25 - 1:25 (Clark) /	Residence
1:30 pm (10 min)	<u>Departure Statements 1:28 - 1:40</u> (Clark) 1:40 - STAFF TIME	Diplomatic Room Entrance
2:00 pm (30 min)	<u>Personnel Time</u> (von Damm), EM	Oval Office
2:30 pm (30 min)	<u>Administrative Time - Photos 2:30 - 2:45</u> (Tab A) (1) Alois Mock of Austria (Clark) (dist. sep) (2) Baker Staff (Baker) (3) Dole Staff (Dole) 2:58 - 3:04 (4) Task Force on Victims of Crime (Fuller) (5) Fahrenkopf, Curb, Laxalt (Rollins)	Oval Office Oval Office Oval Office Roosevelt Room Oval Office
3:00 pm (2hr20min)	3:10 BILL WILSON - 3:21 <u>Personal Staff Time 3:21 - 4:00</u> 4:02 - RESIDENCE - PERSONAL TIME	Oval Office
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UNP 1/26/83
4:00 pm

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PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN



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Thursday, January 27, 1983

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9:30 am (15 min)	<u>National Security Briefing</u> (Clark) <i>Al Spivak, Sarah Easton, Regan, Geoff Kemp</i>	Oval Office
9:45 am (15 min)	<u>Senior Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
10:00 am (60 min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
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3:00 pm (2hr20min)	<u>Personal Staff Time</u>	Oval Office
4:00 (15 min) 5:20 pm	<i>MTG w/ Wm. Wilson</i> <u>Depart for Dick Richards Reception</u> <u>at Washington Hilton</u> (Henkel) (Tab B) (draft remarks attached)	PERSONAL - South Grounds
6:05 pm	<u>Return to White House</u>	South Grounds
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7:50 <i>passed</i> 7:55 <i>depart</i>		UNP 1/26/83 4:00 pm

Alois Mock 2:30 pm.

III. PARTICIPANTS

U.S.

The President
The Vice President
William P. Clark
Frank Fahrenkopf, Chairman, Republican National
Committee (RNC)
Betty Heitman, Co-Chairman, RNC
Fred Bevel, Deputy Chairman, RNC
Richard Allen
Mike Farren, RNC staff
Ken Scheffer, RNC staff
Donald Fortier, NSC staff
Meese, Baker, Deaver will attend at their
discretion.

EUROPEAN DEMOCRATIC UNION

Alois Mock, Chairman, European Democrat Union
Anders Sjaastad, Minister of Defense, Norway
Jean de Lipkowski, Associate of Jacques Chirac
(Mayor of Paris)
Alfred Dregger, Parliamentary Floor Leader,
Christian Democratic Union, FRG
Cecil Parkinson, Chairman, Conservative Party of
Great Britain
Andreas Kohl, Executive Secretary, EDU
Scott Hamilton, Head of International Office,
Conservative Party of Great Britain
Peter Hartmann, Head of the International Office,
Christian Democratic Union, FRG

IV.

PRESS PLAN

Judge Clark will escort Mock to the Oval Office for
separate photograph. You will return with Mock to
Cabinet Room to greet and have picture taken with
the entire group.

V.

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

2:30 Mock arrives in Oval Office for photo
2:32 President and Mock step into Cabinet Room
to greet EDU Delegation

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

BRIEFING PAPER

January 26, 1983

PHOTO OPPORTUNITY WITH RNC LEADERSHIP

The Oval Office
January 27, 1983
2:30 p.m.

I. PURPOSE

Photo opportunity with RNC Leadership for use in upcoming RNC finance and promotional brochures.

II. BACKGROUND

With the departure of RNC Chairman Dick Richards, Frank Fahrenkopf will be installed as new Chairman at the National Committee meeting held January 28.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Senator Paul Laxalt
General Chairman, Republican National Committee
Frank Fahrenkopf
Chairman, Republican National Committee

IV. PRESS PLAN

None

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 24, 1983

MEETING WITH JAMES A. BAKER, III AND STAFF

January 27, 1983

2:30 P.M.

Oval Office

From: James A. Baker, III

I. PURPOSE

Photo opportunity with Jim Baker, Dick Darman, John Rogers and staff

II. PARTICIPANTS

James A. Baker, III, Chief of Staff
Margaret Tutwiler, Special Assistant to the President
and Executive Assistant to Chief of Staff
Kathy Camalier, Staff Assistant to Chief of Staff
Barbara Hayward, Staff Assistant to Chief of Staff
James W. Cicconi, Special Assistant to the President
and Special Assistant to Chief of Staff
Aileen Anderson, Staff Assistant

Richard G. Darman, Assistant to the President
Sara Currence Emery, Administrative Assistant
Janet Felton McMinn, Secretary
Kathleen A. Reid, Secretary

John F. W. Rogers, Deputy Assistant to the President
Theresa A. Elmore, White House Administrative Officer
Emily L. Ford, Secretary
Linda J. Hoyt, Secretary

III. PRESS PLAN

Photo opportunity -- White House photographer only

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 26, 1982

MEETING WITH ELIZABETH H. DOLE AND STAFF

January 27, 1983

2:30 p.m.

Oval Office

FROM: ELIZABETH H. DOLE 

I. PURPOSE

Photo opportunity with Elizabeth Dole, Red Cavaney and staff.

II. PARTICIPANTS

Elizabeth H. Dole	-	Assistant to the President
Red Caveney	-	Deputy Assistant to the President
Diana Lozano	-	Deputy Director & Special Assistant
Jack Burgess	-	" " " "
Morton Blackwell	-	Special Assistant
Robert Bonitati	-	" "
Thelma Duggin	-	" "
Dee Jepsen	-	" "
Virginia Knauer	-	" "
Wayne Valis	-	" "
Henry Zuniga	-	" "
Michael Gale	-	Deputy Special Assistant
Mary E. Quint	-	" " "
William Triplett	-	Deputy to Deputy Director
Adis Vila	-	White House Fellow
Bob Steeves	-	Deputy to Special Assistant
Charlotte Ellis	-	Administrative Assistant
Shirley Ballard	-	Secretary
Beth Barnes	-	"
Gina Bessey	-	"
Marybeth Brennan	-	"
Janice Farrell	-	"
Sandy Farrow	-	"
Martha Fraas	-	"
Millie Gerstner	-	"
Marilynne Gisin	-	"
Leah Levy	-	"
Nancy Meinking	-	"
Robert Moss	-	"
Gloria Rojas	-	"
Susan Sherwood	-	"
Maiselle Shortley	-	"
Carolyn Sundseth	-	"
Betsy White	-	"

III. PRESS PLAN - White House photographer only.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

January 26, 1983

MEETING WITH TASK FORCE ON VICTIMS OF CRIME

DATE: January 27, 1983
LOCATION: Roosevelt Room
TIME: 2:30 PM (5 minutes)
FROM: Craig L. Fuller 

I. PURPOSE

To receive a report from the Task Force on Victims of Crime.

II. BACKGROUND

Recognizing that victims of crime have too frequently been overlooked by our criminal justice system, you signed an Executive Order on April 23, 1982, establishing the Task Force on Victims of Crime. The Task Force was charged with (1) reviewing and evaluating national, state and local policies and programs affecting victims of crime; (2) advising the President and the Attorney General with respect to executive legislative action which should be undertaken to improve our efforts to assist and protect victims of crime; and (3) reporting to the Cabinet Council on Legal Policy. The Task Force was also directed to submit a report to you before the end of the year. That report will be submitted by Lois Herrington, Chairman of the Task Force.

III. PARTICIPANTS

Lois Herrington, Chairman, and the ten members of the Task Force.

IV. PRESS PLAN

White House Photographer

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III. PARTICIPANTS

Senator Paul Laxalt
General Chairman, Republican National Committee
Frank Fahrenkopf
Chairman, Republican National Committee

IV. PRESS PLAN

None

B

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

BRIEFING PAPER

January 26, 1983

DROP-BY AT RECEPTION HONORING DICK RICHARDS

The Washington Hilton Hotel
January 27, 1983
5:30 p.m.

I. PURPOSE

To show appreciation for out-going RNC Chairman Dick Richards' long-standing support for the Party and for THE PRESIDENT.

II. BACKGROUND

Dick Richards became Chairman of the Republican National Committee in 1981. He will be leaving his post effective January 28, with plans to stay in the Washington area as a political consultant.

In conjunction with the National Committee meeting held January 26-29, the RNC is hosting a "Tribute to Dick Richards" reception at the Washington Hilton.

III. PARTICIPANTS

National Committee members
The Cabinet
Senior White House Staff
RNC Senior Staff
RNC Regional Political Directors
approximately 1,000 attending

IV. PRESS PLAN

None

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

See schedule

VI. TALKING POINTS

See attached

C

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 1983

EVENT: Richard Richards Reception
DRESS: Men's Business Suit
WEATHER: Mostly Cloudy; Upper 20's

5:20 p.m. Depart White House en route Washington Hilton.
Drive Time: 10 mins. In Limo: J. Baker.

5:30 p.m. Arrive Washington Hilton and proceed to holding room.
- Ofcl. Photographer

Met by: Sen. Paul Laxalt (R-Nevada), General
Chairman, Republican National
Committee, designate
Frank Fahrenkopf, Chairman, RNC,
designate
Richard Richards, Chairman, RNC
Annette Richards

NOTE: Mr. and Mrs. Richards then
proceed into Ballroom.

5:35 p.m. Escorted by Sen. Laxalt and Frank Fahrenkopf,
proceed to off-stage announcement area.

Announcement (off-stage)

Escorted by Sen. Laxalt and Frank Fahrenkopf,
proceed to dais. - Open Press

5:37 p.m. Make brief remarks.

5:42 p.m. Conclude remarks.

Richard Richards makes brief remarks.

Frank Fahrenkopf makes brief remarks.

5:45 p.m. Proceed to motorcade for boarding.

NOTE: Hand-shake along ropeline upon
departure.

5:55 p.m. Depart Washington Hilton en route The White House.
Drive Time/In Limo: Same as before.

6:05 p.m. Arrive The White House and proceed inside.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

SCHEDULE OF THE PRESIDENT
FOR
THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 1983

EVENT: RICHARD RICHARDS RECEPTION

THE PRESIDENT'S PARTICIPATION

Brief Remarks

WEATHER

Mostly Cloudy

Upper 20's

DRESS

Men's Business Suit

ADVANCE

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KREMER, CECE
LACOVEY, JACK
[REDACTED]
MOORE, JOHN

STAFF
PRESS
USSS
WHCA

CONTACT

Presidential Advance Office: 202/456-7565
WILLIAM HENKEL

01/26/83 2:30 p.m.

GUEST AND STAFF INSTRUCTIONS

5:10 p.m. Proceed to motorcade and board..

5:15 p.m. THE PRESIDENT proceeds to motorcade for boarding.

5:20 p.m. THE PRESIDENT departs The White House en route the Washington Hilton.

Drive Time: 10 mins.

MOTORCADE ASSIGNMENTSLeadSpare

D. Fischer

Limo

THE PRESIDENT
J. Baker

Follow-upControl

M. Deaver
Dr. D. Ruge
Military Aide

Support

E. Hickey
M. McManus
W. Henkel
M. Evans

Staff I

E. Rollins

Staff II

W. Sittmann
M. Weinberg
Medic

Press Van IPress Van II

Press Advance

WHCAAmbulanceTail

5:30 p.m. THE PRESIDENT arrives the Washington Hilton, Exhibit Floor area, and proceeds to holding room.

See Tab A for diagram.

01/26/83 2:30 p.m.

OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHER ONLY

Met by:

Senator Paul Laxalt (R-Nevada)
General Chairman, Republican National
Comm., designate
Frank Fahrenkopf, Chairman, RNC,
designate
Richard Richards, Chairman, RNC
Annette Richards

GUEST AND STAFF INSTRUCTIONS

Necessary staff only to accompany THE
PRESIDENT. All other staff and guests
will be escorted to staff area in
International Ballroom.

NOTE: Mr. and Mrs. Richards proceed
into the International Ballroom.

5:35 p.m. THE PRESIDENT, escorted by Senator Laxalt and Frank
Fahrenkopf, proceeds to off-stage announcement area.

Announcement (off-stage)

THE PRESIDENT, escorted by Senator Laxalt and Frank
Fahrenkopf, proceeds to dais.

NOTE: On dais, stage left to right:

Mrs. Annette Richards
Rich Bond, Deputy Chairman, RNC
Betty Heitman, Co-Chairman, RNC
Richard Richards, Chairman, RNC
THE PRESIDENT
Frank Fahrenkopf, Chairman, RNC,
designate
Senator Paul Laxalt, General Chairman,
RNC, designate
Fred Biebel, Deputy Chairman, RNC
Mary Fahrenkopf

OPEN PRESS COVERAGE

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5:42 p.m. THE PRESIDENT concludes remarks.

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01/26/83 2:30 p.m.

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MOTORCADE ASSIGNMENTS

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(Parvin/AB)
January 26, 1983
4:00 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: DROPHY RECEPTION FOR RICHARD RICHARDS
THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 1983

Thank you for that very warm welcome. Say, you're not Republicans by any chance? I knew I was among friends. But I dropped by today to say a few words about a personal friend of mine and of the GOP as well. You know Robert Louis Stevenson once said, "A friend is a present you give yourself." Well, in Dick Richards, I think we've given ourselves quite a gift, quite a good friend.

Back in 1976, when we had an incumbent President and I was the challenger, Dick was State chairman of Utah. He put himself on the line, becoming the first State chairman to endorse me. I've never forgotten the courage and conviction it took to do that. And, Dick, I want you to know I will always be grateful.

But Dick's not just my friend. As head of the RNC, he's been a friend of all Republicans. During his tenure as chairman, he's devoted himself to raising money and providing expertise for our cause and our candidates. During Dick Richards' tenure the RNC subsequently raised more money than at any time in our history. He also devoted himself to fortifying our county and State organizations. He created a labor advisory board opening channels to organized labor. And he made real progress in recruiting and financing qualified minority candidates. Dick, that's a record which honors you personally, but it's also one all of us take pride in.

I know the new leadership of the Paul Laxalt and Frank Fahrenkopf will build upon the base that Dick has in place. And if I can I would like to give a more upbeat prognostication about the party's future than some of those you may have been hearing. I think that our party will be in good shape by 1984 despite what you read in the papers of late. We'll do well because of what you might call the Republican's strategic triad -- that's fundraising ability, nuts and bolts organization and talented candidates. And, let me say the issues also will start to break our way as the economy improves and many of our problems begin to correct themselves. We're going to have a good record to run on in 1984.

We've made a solid beginning on the difficult tasks of giving the Government back to the people, a healthy economy back to free enterprise, and a strong defense back to the free world.

I want to thank Dick for his role in helping us to move closer to our dreams and I want to thank all of you here today as well. If it weren't for you, there wouldn't be a Republican party. Now, I think I'll do a little politicking and come down there and shake some hands.

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(Rohrabacher/AB)
January 26, 1983
3:00 p.m.

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART DINNER
THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 1983

Trustees of the National Gallery, Mr. Chief Justice, members of the Cabinet, Members of the Congress, distinguished guests. Nancy and I are pleased to be here to honor Andrew Mellon and to celebrate another milestone in the realization of his vision of a National Gallery of Art -- an American Gallery created for the enrichment of all the people of the United States and second to none in its commitment to excellence.

Tonight we inaugurate some 40,000 square feet of new gallery space. It's a great privilege for me to share in this. President Roosevelt accepted the original gifts of the West Building and Mr. Mellon's collection in 1941, and President Carter accepted the East Building in 1978. Well, it's taken 42 years, but now a Republican has a chance to share in the fun.

The man we honor tonight, Andrew Mellon, contributed so much as a captain of finance and industry, as a highly principled public servant, and -- which is the reason we remember him this evening -- as an individual whose dedication to the arts still enriches the people of the United States. In business he contributed to the great industrial expansion that provided the American people with a bounty of freedom and wealth the world had never known. His personal commitment to the arts added a further dimension of meaning and beauty to the liberty in which he believed so deeply.

Mr. Mellon's philanthropy was not, as some would have us believe, a rare exception; it was and is a vital part of the American character. From our earliest days, the arts in America have depended on this generosity and, yes, on the appreciation of the cultural underpinnings of our society. Our country has been blessed with great patrons like Andrew Mellon, but also with millions of less wealthy Americans who give what they can in order to elevate the cultural level of their community and of their country.

We can all be proud that in 1981, the most recent figures available, Americans contributed a record breaking \$3.35 billion to cultural institutions and organizations -- representing an increase of 13.2 percent from the year before.

Americans, more than any other people, have always understood the relationship between personal freedom and individual responsibility, something which is especially true in the arts. However, we have enjoyed our cultural freedom for so long that sometimes some of us may take it for granted.

A group of young Americans touring Latvia a few years ago were given the opportunity to visit a local artist. This painter, careful with her words because she was speaking through a government interpreter, suggested that artists fared better under communism because the system demanded quality before an artist's work can be shown, thus preventing an undeveloped artist from ruining his or her reputation. This painter, for example, said she had worked hard and was soon to be permitted a showing in Moscow. She pulled out some examples of her work and, as is

often the case with socialist realism, it lacked a certain personality and feeling.

Before the young Americans could leave,, however, the artist insisted they see some examples of her earlier work, before her skills had matured enough for a showing in Moscow. She removed from her closet some photographs of her earlier work -- paintings alive with expression, reflecting warmth and vitality. She had given these young Americans a message without ever saying a negative word about artistic freedom under totalitarianism.

The National Gallery, as was Mr. Mellon's wish, has gone to great lengths to prevent political interference with its decisions. We can all be grateful that God provided this country with leaders who loved culture and also loved liberty, as exemplified by Andrew Mellon.

And tonight I would like to take this opportunity to thank his son, Paul Mellon, for all that he is doing for the arts and for all that he has done for the National Gallery. I understand that at today's meeting, the trustees accepted an extraordinary gift of paintings, sculpture and graphic art from Paul Mellon. I too, am proud to accept this gift on the behalf of the people of the United States.

Paul, it would be inappropriate to say you are following in your father's footsteps, because you are leaving some mighty big footprints of your own. Of course, one would expect nothing less -- from an old horse cavalry man like yourself. And you can take that from an old horse calvaryman himself.

Seriously though, the work you're doing, like the generous contributions of so many here tonight, is something for which all of you can be rightfully proud.

Andrew Mellon's original gifts -- his collection and the funds for the gallery -- were made on the condition that the gallery would not bear his name, but the name of the Nation instead. He knew well that a country is as refined and as decent as its people. Our cultural future, as it should be, is not in the hands of a minister or commissar of the arts, but instead is dependent on farsighted men and women who are dedicated to the cultural betterment of America -- people who yearn to share their love of art with their fellow citizens and take it upon themselves to do what is necessary for cultural and artistic advancement.

Early in our Republic our country was often referred to as the New Athens. Many basic ideals of democracy can be traced back to that ancient city state-- a city with elections and an open marketplace called an agora. The city, a gathering center for mankind where intellectual and artistic creativity reached new heights, left artistic treasures that speak to us through the ages.

Today, we should all be grateful to citizens like Andrew Mellon who, as did the founding fathers, left a legacy, like that of Athens, which will speak to mankind for a thousand years. Thank you for letting me be part of your efforts on the behalf of the National Gallery of Art. Good night.