

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

June 17, 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR

Tom Stephens

TIME SCHEDULE FOR  
ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY OPENING CEREMONY  
JUNE 26, 1959 (Friday)

7:20 A.M. The President and Mrs. Eisenhower leave the White House

0715

7:40 A.M. The Secretary of the Army's aircraft departs MATS Terminal, Washington, D. C., with the following personnel on board:

The Attorney General and Mrs. Rogers  
The Secretary of Labor and Mrs. Mitchell  
The Secretary of the Army and Mrs. Brucker  
Congressman and Mrs. Thomas E. Morgan  
(Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee)  
Congressman Robert B. Chipfield  
(Ranking Republican Member of the House  
Foreign Affairs Committee)

7:50 A.M. The Columbine departs MATS Terminal, Washington, D. C., with the following aboard:

The President and Mrs. Eisenhower  
The Secretary of State and Mrs. Herter  
The Secretary of Commerce and Mrs. Strauss  
Senator and Mrs. W. J. Fulbright  
(Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee)  
Senator and Mrs. Alexander Wiley  
(Ranking Republican Member of the Senate  
Foreign Relations Committee)

The Ambassador of Canada and Mrs. A.D.P. Heeney  
Assistant Secretary of State Livingston Merchant  
Thomas E. Stephens  
James C. Hagerty  
General Howard McC. Snyder  
Captain E. P. Aurand

The Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. Anderson will be in Montreal the night before and will be escorted by Canadian authorities and will be taken to the Royal Tent to meet the Queen just prior to the arrival of the Secretary of the Army's aircraft. The American Ambassador to Canada and Mrs. Wigglesworth will also be brought out in advance.

9:45 A.M.

Her Majesty the Queen, the Duke of Edinburgh, the Canadian Prime Minister and Mrs. Diefenbaker arrive at RCAF Station, St. Hubert's

9:50 A.M.

The Secretary of the Army's aircraft arrives at St. Hubert's

On arrival, the personnel from the plane will be escorted to the Royal Tent where they will be introduced to Her Majesty, the Prince, the Prime Minister and Mrs. Diefenbaker. After this introduction, they will be escorted to their seats for the arrival ceremonies.

10:05 A.M.

The Columbine arrives at St. Hubert's.

As the Columbine wheels touch the ground, a 21-gun salute will be fired in honor of the President. The President and Mrs. Eisenhower will come down the ramp alone and will be met at the bottom of the ramp by the Queen, the Prince, the Prime Minister and Mrs. Diefenbaker.

After the President and Mrs. Eisenhower have been greeted by the Queen and her party, the other members of the President's party on board the Columbine will come down the ramp in order listed above and will be presented by the President to the Queen.

They, in turn, will go down the short receiving line and will be greeted by the Prince, the Prime Minister and Mrs. Diefenbaker. They will then be escorted to their seats, and the President and Mrs. Eisenhower, the Queen, the Prince, the Prime Minister and Mrs. Diefenbaker will go to the dais.

On their arrival at the dais the Guard of Honor band will play the Star Spangled Banner, and the President will then inspect the Honor Guard, returning at the conclusion of the inspection to the dais.

10:20 A.M.

The President and Mrs. Eisenhower and the Queen and the Prince, the Prime Minister and Mrs. Diefenbaker, following the President's return to the dais will then enter the Royal Tent, and the other guests will leave their seats and enter automobiles for the six-mile trip to the Seaway dedication site. Car numbers will be supplied later.

All guests will leave St. Hubert's airport in advance of the Queen and the President. The trip will take approximately twenty minutes.

10:30 A.M.

The President and Mrs. Eisenhower, the Queen and the Prince, the Prime Minister and Mrs. Diefenbaker leave St. Hubert's.

In this motorcade the Prime Minister and Mrs. Diefenbaker will be in the first car, Mrs. Eisenhower and the Prince in the second car, the President and the Queen in the third car.

The President's car will be followed by the Secret Service car. The Secret Service car will be followed by staff cars carrying members of the President's staff and the Queen's staff.

- 10:50 A.M.           The President's and the Queen's party arrives at St. Lambert Lock.
- 11:00 A.M.           Formal opening ceremony of the St. Lawrence Seaway.
- Short speeches by United States and Canada heads of the Seaway, followed by brief remarks by the President and the Queen.
- 11:20 A.M.           Similar to the procedure followed at St. Hubert's Airport, the honor guests going on board the Britannia will leave the site first and be taken to the Britannia a half a mile away where they will immediately board the yacht. (This is different than the usual protocol, but it is necessary because of the crowded conditions.)
- Those Americans to be invited on board the Britannia (sponsored by the President) are:
- The Secretary of State and Mrs. Herter  
XThe Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. AndersonX  
The Attorney General and Mrs. Rogers  
The Secretary of Commerce and Mrs. Strauss  
The Secretary of Labor and Mrs. Mitchell  
The Administrator of the St. Lawrence  
Development Corporation, Mr. Lewis Castle  
The Secretary of the Army and Mrs. Brucker  
The American Ambassador to Canada and  
Mrs. Wigglesworth  
Senator and Mrs. Fulbright  
Senator and Mrs. Wiley  
Congressman and Mrs. Morgan  
Congressman Chipfield
- 11:30 A.M.           The President and Mrs. Eisenhower, the Queen and the Prince, the Prime Minister and Mrs. Diefenbaker arrive at the Britannia.

12:30 P.M. Start up in St. Lambert Lock

12:45 P.M. Leave St. Lambert Lock - Proceed through channel

3:15 P.M. Enter Lake St. Louis - Naval review in Lake

4:40 P.M. Enter Beauharnois Lock

5:00 P.M. The President and Mrs. Eisenhower, the Prime Minister and Mrs. Diefenbaker and the Presidential party will disembark from the Britannia. Those returning with the President on the Presidential aircraft will be helicoptered from Beauharnois Lock to St. Hubert's airfield.

Helicopter assignments are as follows:

Helicopter #1

The President and Mrs. Eisenhower  
The Prime Minister and Mrs. Diefenbaker  
Mr. Hagerty  
Mr. Rowley  
Mr. Flohr  
Captain Aurand

Helicopter #2

The Attorney General and Mrs. Rogers  
The Secretary of Labor and Mrs. Mitchell  
Congressman and Mrs. Morgan  
Congressman Chipperfield  
Crew Chief

Helicopter #3 - (chase)

Secretary of the Army and Mrs. Brucker  
General Snyder  
4 Secret Service Agents  
Crew Chief

Those returning in the Secretary of the Army's aircraft will drive back to St. Hubert's. They will enter their cars and leave immediately. Those driving back will be:

The Secretary of State and Mrs. Herter  
The Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. Anderson  
The Secretary of Commerce and Mrs. Strauss  
Senator and Mrs. Fulbright  
Senator and Mrs. Wiley  
Ambassador and Mrs. Heeney  
Assistant Secretary of State Livingston Merchant

5:20 P.M. Helicopters arrive at St. Hubert's - landing in reverse order to takeoff.  
  
#3 in first, then #2, and #1

5:30 P.M. Columbine departs St. Hubert's for Washington

6:00 P.M. Presidential guests in Secretary of the Army's aircraft arrive by automobile at St. Hubert's.

6:15 P.M. Secretary of the Army's aircraft departs St. Hubert's

7:30 P.M. Columbine arrives MATS Terminal, Washington, D. C.

X 7:50 P.M. President and Mrs. Eisenhower arrive White House

8:15 P.M. Secretary of the Army's aircraft arrives MATS

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Passengers aboard Secretary of Army Aircraft to St. Hubert's:

Secretary and Mrs. Brucker  
Attorney General and Mrs. Rogers  
Secretary and Mrs. Mitchell  
Congressman and Mrs. Morgan  
Congressman Chipfield  
Lt. Colonel J. F. Ladd, U. S. Army  
Captain J. R. Davies, U. S. Army

- 0700 Passengers board aircraft at MATS Terminal, Washington National Airport.
- 0715 Take-off, Washington National Airport.  
Breakfast enroute to Canada.
- 0945 Royal Party arrives RCAF Station, St. Hubert's, Canada.
- 0950 Secretary of Army Aircraft arrives at St. Hubert's.  
Personnel aboard will be escorted to Royal Tent to meet Royal Party. Following introductions, personnel will be escorted to seats for arrival ceremonies.
- 1005 Columbine arrives St. Hubert's.  
21-gun salute. President and Mrs. Eisenhower go down ramp **alone** and are met by Queen, Prince, PM and Mrs. Diefenbaker.  
  
After Queen greets President and Mrs. Eisenhower, other members of party aboard Columbine go down ramp to meet Royal Party and be escorted to their seats.  
  
President will inspect Honor Guard.
- 1020 Royal Party and President and Mrs. Eisenhower enter Royal Tent. Other guests move to assigned cars for 20-minute trip to dedication site.
- 1050 Royal Party and President and Mrs. Eisenhower arrive St. Lambert Lock.

- 1100 Formal opening ceremony of St. Lawrence Seaway.
- 1120 Guests for luncheon aboard Britannia will leave in assigned cars for boarding Royal Yacht. American guests are:

The Secretary of State and Mrs. Herter  
The Attorney General and Mrs. Rogers  
The Secretary of Commerce and Mrs. Strauss  
The Secretary of Labor and Mrs. Mitchell  
The Administrator of the St. Lawrence  
Development Corporation, Mr. Lewis Castle  
The Secretary of the Army and Mrs. Brucker  
The American Ambassador to Canada and  
Mrs. Wigglesworth.  
Senator and Mrs. Fulbright  
Senator and Mrs. Wiley  
Congressman and Mrs. Morgan  
Congressman Chipfield  
Major General and Mrs. Itschner

- 1130 Royal Party and President and Mrs. Eisenhower board Britannia.

- 1230 to  
1700 Luncheon and trip through Seaway.

- 1700 Royal Party and President and Mrs. Eisenhower disembark from Britannia.

Guests returning to Washington aboard Columbine will travel by helicopter from Beauharnois Lock to St. Hubert's.  
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The Secretary of Labor and Mrs. Mitchell  
Congressman and Mrs. Morgan  
Congressman Chipfield  
Crew Chief



Helicopter assignments (continued)

Helicopter #3 - (chase)

Secretary of the Army and Mrs. Brucker

General Snyder

4 Secret Service Agents

Crew Chief

- 1720 Helicopters arrive St. Hubert's landing in reverse order  
from take-off. Board Columbine.
- 1730 Columbine departs St. Hubert's.
- 1930 Columbine arrives MATS Terminal, Washington National Airport.