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## Instructions for Groups Visiting the White House

- 1. Public tours of the White House are scheduled Tuesday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., and Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- 2. Groups should enter the White House complex from the south side of East Executive Avenue near the Southeast Gate. Uniformed National Park Service Rangers are posted at the corner of 15<sup>th</sup> and E streets to assist groups as they arrive. Limited bus parking is available on 15<sup>th</sup> Street across from the Department of Commerce. Please check posted street signs for parking restrictions.
- 3. Groups should arrive 15 minutes before their scheduled tour time. Late arrivals may not be accommodated.
- 4. All guests 15 years of age or older will be required to **present government issued photo identification** with information exactly matching the name previously submitted for clearance. All foreign nationals must present their passport. All other forms of foreign identification will not be accepted. Individuals whose identification does not exactly match the name or data cleared for entry may be denied admittance.
- 5. Prohibited items include, but are not limited to, the following: handbags, book bags, backpacks, **purses**, food and beverages of any kind, strollers, cameras, video recorders or any type of recording device, tobacco products, personal grooming items (make-up, hair brush or comb, lip or hand lotions, etc.), any pointed objects, (pens, knitting needles, etc.), aerosol containers, guns, ammunition, fireworks, electric stun guns, mace, martial arts weapons/ devices, or knives of any size. The U.S. Secret Service reserves the right to prohibit any other personal items. **Umbrellas, wallets, cell phones and car keys are permitted. No** storage facilities are available on or around the White House complex, and indivuals that arrive with prohibited items will not be permitted into the White House.
- 6. All items needed for medical purposes will be permitted on the tour (including wheelchairs, electric scooters, and walkers). All necessary medications must be identified and explained to U.S. Secret Service and any medication for minors must remain in the custory of an adult chaperone or contact for the entire tour.
- 7. All persons and items entering the White House will be screened through an airport-like security process. Individuals may be requested to consent to an interview or additional security procedures before they are admitted to the White House complex.
- 8. White House tours may be subject to last minute cancellation. Visitors may call the 24-hour line at (202) 456-7041 for the most current tour information.