

**Media program
Visit of the President of the United States Barack Obama
February 19, 2009**

OTTAWA

1030 **Arrival in Canada**
Canada Reception Centre

Note: The Welcoming Party participants are the following:
Her Excellency, The Right Honourable Michaëlle Jean Governor General of
Canada
His Excellency Jean-Daniel Lafond
The Honourable Lawrence Cannon, Minister of Foreign Affairs
Mr. Terry Breese, Chargé d'Affaires of the United States of America to Canada
Mr. Robert Peck, Chief of Protocol of Canada
Mr. Michael Wilson, Ambassador of Canada to the United States of America

Note: RCMP Honour Guard will be welcoming the President

*Media: Photo-op only

1050 **Meeting with the Governor General of Canada**
Canada Reception Centre

*Media: Pool photo op only (at the beginning of the meeting)

1140 **Arrival at Parliament Hill**

The President will be greeted by the Prime Minister
Centre block, bottom of the stairs

Welcoming Ceremony
Rotunda

Note: The Welcoming Party participants are the following:
The Honourable Noël Kinsella, Speaker of the Senate
The Honourable Peter Milliken, Speaker of the House of Commons
Mr. Paul C. Bélisle, Clerk of the Senate and the Clerk of the Parliaments
Ms. Audrey O'Brien, Clerk of the House of Commons
Mr. Kevin MacLeod Usher of the Black Rod
Mr. Kevin Vickers, Sergeant-at-Arms

Signing Ceremony
Rotunda

Note: The Speaker of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Commons will
invite the President to sign the Distinguished Visitors Books of the Senate and of
the House of Commons

*Media: Pool photo op only

1155 **Meeting (Tête à tête) with the Prime Minister of Canada**
Office of the Prime Minister

*Media: Pool photo op only (at the end of the Tête à tête)

1255

Working Luncheon given by the Prime Minister of Canada

Note: The Luncheon participants from the Canadian Delegation are the following:

The Right Honourable Stephen Harper, Prime Minister of Canada

The Honourable Lawrence Cannon, Minister of Foreign Affairs

The Honourable James Flaherty, Minister of Finance

The Honourable Jim Prentice, Minister of the Environment

Kevin Lynch, Clerk of the Privy Council and Secretary to the Cabinet

Claude Carrière, Foreign and Defence Policy Advisor to the Prime Minister

Michael Wilson, Ambassador of Canada to the United States of America

Guy Giorno, Chief of Staff

Kory Teneycke, Director of Communications

*Media: closed

1440

President and Prime Minister walk down the Hall of Honour

Hall of Honour

*Media: Pool photo op only

1445

Joint Media Availability

Reading Room

*Media: Open to pool media

1535

The Prime Minister farewells the President

Rotunda

*Media: Pool photo op only

1600

Meeting with the Leader of the Opposition

Canada Reception Centre

*Media: Pool photo op only (at the beginning of the meeting)

1715

Departure from Canada

Canada Reception Centre

Note: The Farewell Party participants are the following:

The Honourable John Baird, Minister of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities

Mr. Terry Breese, Chargé d'affaires of the United States of America to Canada

Mr. Robert Peck, Chief of Protocol of Canada

Mr. Michael Wilson Ambassador of Canada to the United States of America

Note: RCMP Honour Guard will farewell the President

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