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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 13, 1986

PHOTO WITH U.S. COMMITTEE FOR BATTLE OF NORMANDY MUSEUM

DATE: June 16, 1986  
TIME: 4:00 p.m.  
FROM: Frederick J. Ryan, Jr. *FJR*

I. PURPOSE

Photo with the members of the U.S. Committee for the Battle of Normandy Museum.

II. BACKGROUND

The Battle of Normandy was one of the most significant battles of all times and engaged three million men for nearly 100 days in the summer 1944. To memorialize this battle and to provide a place for study and education for the future, a museum and research center are being built in Caen, France. Caen was the pivot point of the battle and was nearly destroyed before its liberation on July 9, 1944.

To assist in the effort to build this center, the U.S. Committee for the Battle of Normandy Museum has been formed to provide support and raise public awareness of the battle and this project. In the future, the Committee will be involved in helping collect documents for the research center, encouraging joint lectures, study projects for college students and facilitating the establishment of a center within the museum for American visitors. The museum is scheduled to open in 1988.

The first meeting of the U.S. Committee is in Washington on June 16. Because of your past interest in this battle, the Committee requested an opportunity to meet with you while they are in town.

III. PARTICIPANTS

The President  
Members of the Committee (attached)

IV. PRESS PLAN

White House Photographer

V. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

4:00 p.m. Participants enter the Oval Office. Brief greetings are exchanged and photos are taken.

4:10 p.m. Participants depart the Oval Office.

Members of the U.S. Committee for the Battle of Normandy Museum

Ambassador Emmanuel de Margerie (France)

Ambassador Joe M. Rodgers

Jean-Marie Girault, Senator-Mayor of Caen

Senator Robert Dole

Senator Strom Thurmond

Senator Charles McC. Mathias

Representative Sam Gibbons

~~General John W. Vessey~~

Mrs. Omar N. Bradley (Kitty)

Pierre Colmant

Serge Ballenger

Cooper T. Holt

Paul C. Sheeline

George Stevens, Jr.

Anthony C. Stout

Dane Towell, Executive Director

Other participants

Mrs. Joe M. Rodgers (Honey)

Sophia Porson, interpreter

## TALKING POINTS

- o It is a pleasure to see you all on the day of your first meeting as members of this new committee.
- o I think that it is certainly very admirable for you to be involved in such a worthwhile project.
- o As you know, a couple of years ago, I visited sites which were involved in the Battle of Normandy. To think of all those young men who fought and died there is very sad. And, yet, they fought for freedom for all of us so they did not die in vain.
- o From what I understand, the museum and especially the research and study center, will provide opportunities for future generations to learn about the issues of that time and to help us appreciate our precious gift of freedom. This is a very exciting opportunity for our young people to have.
- o I wish you all well with your work on this project.



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