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First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton Receives the Prestigious Mother Teresa Award

Washington, DC - - Today, First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton was honored with the Mother Teresa Award, Albania's highest civilian honor. This rarely granted award was presented to Mrs. Clinton for her dedication to and actions performed in support of humanitarian relief efforts. Although this award includes an inscription recognizing the First Lady's efforts in the Balkans, it also honors her work worldwide in mobilizing humanitarian aid and promoting human rights.

"I am deeply honored to receive the Mother Teresa Award because it represents the commitment, the compassion, and the resources that have been brought together to combat the humanitarian crisis in the Balkans," said First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton. "I am especially honored that this award bears the name of Mother Teresa, someone who I had the privilege to know and work with on several occasions, and who dedicated her life to the ideal that peace and reconciliation can endure over hatred and division."

First Lady of Albania Lidra Mediani presented the award at an event in Skopje, Macedonia, announcing new public/private efforts to strengthen the economic security to the people of Macedonia and provide additional relief to the Kosovar refugees. At the urging of Mrs. Clinton, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), the Liz Claiborne Company and Mercy Corps International have united to produce clothing for Kosovar refugees while creating jobs in Macedonia.

The text of the award reads: First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton "has mobilized with her personal example the solidarity of millions of people throughout the world with the Albanians expelled from Kosovo, in the spirit of the victory of mankind over inhuman action."

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**PRESS SCHEDULE OF THE FIRST LADY
FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 1999**

Washington, DC -- On Tuesday, June 22, the First Lady will travel with the President to Skopje, Macedonia and to Aviano Air Force Base, Italy. In Skopje, the First Lady will participate in an announcement of new public and private efforts to support the Macedonian apparel and textile industry and provide clothing for the Kosovar refugees. The First Lady will be joined by USAID Deputy Director Hattie Babbitt, Liz Claiborne Company Chairman Paul R. Charron, and representatives from the non-governmental organization Mercy Corps International and the Macedonian apparel industry.

This event builds on the First Lady's meeting with Macedonian small business leaders in Skopje on May 14, 1999, when she learned of the U.S. apparel industry's planned reductions of production at Macedonian factories due to the refugee situation. After the First Lady brought the situation in Macedonia to the attention of the Liz Claiborne Company, Chairman Paul Charron volunteered to help sustain the Macedonian garment industry and provide aid to the Kosovar refugees.

EVENT: **Announcement of Macedonian Clothing Grant**
TIME: 1:10 p.m.
DATE: Tuesday, June 22, 1999
LOCATION: Parliament Building
 Old Parliament Room
 Skopje, Macedonia

Press Notes:

Expanded pool press. For more information on pool, please contact Valerie Kreites of USIS at 070-600-729. Pool must meet at the Alexander Palace Hotel at 11:30 a.m. and will be transported to Parliament. Simultaneous translation. Mult is provided. The on-site contact is Natalie Hartman.

Editor's Note: The First Lady also will tour the Stenkovich I Refugee Camp, meet with KFOR troops in Macedonia, and greet troops at the Aviano Air Force Base, with the President. For more information on press coverage of these events, please see the President's press schedule. At night, the First Lady will return to Washington, DC, with the President.

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**Press Schedule
of First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton
for Monday, June 21**

Washington, DC - - On Monday, June 21, First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton will travel with President Clinton to Slovenia. She will visit the Center for the Rehabilitation of Mine Victims at the Institute for Rehabilitation, outside of Ljubljana. This state-of-the-art rehabilitation, prosthetics, and orthopedics center treats patients from Bosnia-Herzegovina. Later in the afternoon, she will participate in a discussion with prominent women in Slovenia, including Mayor Viktorija Potocnik of Ljubljana.

Event: Visit to the Institute for Rehabilitation
Time: 3:20 p.m.
Location: Institute for Rehabilitation Republic of Slovenia
1 Tomacevska
Ljubljana, Slovenia

Press Notes

Pool press. Pool configuration: Associated Press, Reuters, AFP, and Slovenia press TBD. Slovenia press should contact Nada Serajnik Sraka, Counsellor to the Government of Slovenia at 38-661-178-2627. US press interested in joining the pool should contact Kelly Paisley at 011-386-41-608-007. The First Lady will tour the institute; no formal remarks are planned. Natural sound. No lighting. Press access the site between 2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Press must show standard press identification to gain access to the site. Press should enter the site at the back entrance of the Institute. Press parking available in the parking lot directly in front of the entrance.

Pool will be provided transportation to the Town Hall event. Upon conclusion of the Town Hall event, press will be escorted to the President's speech site if desired (at Congress Square, speech begins at 5:45 p.m.)

On-site contact is Kelly Paisley.

Event: **Meeting with Prominent Slovenian Women**
Time: 4:15 p.m.
Location: Town Hall
Mestni Trg 1
Ljubljana, Slovenia

Press Notes

Pool spray at the top. Pool configuration: Same as for the Rehabilitation event (see above). After opening remarks, photographers and video will depart; writers may remain for the discussion. Lighting and mult are provided. Throw is approximately 25'. Consecutive translation. On-site contact is Kelly Paisley.

If desired, press will be escorted to the President's speech site (Congress Square). Possible transportation back to the Rehabilitation site – speak with Kelly Paisley at the event.

Editor's Note: The First Lady will overnight in Slovenia on Monday night.

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**Press Schedule for First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton
for Friday, June 18, 1999**

(Morocco and Sicily)

Washington, DC -- On Friday, June 18, the First Lady will deliver the commencement address at Al-Akhawayn University, in Ifrane, Morocco. Mrs. Clinton will be the first recipient of an honorary degree from Al-Akhawayn University.

In Sicily, the First Lady will deliver the keynote address at the second annual Civitas International World Congress. Civitas International is a worldwide foundation promoting civic education and democracy. The conference in Palermo will bring together world leaders from education and law enforcement, corporations and foundation, to address strengthening democracy, lawfulness, economic development and peace through increased citizenship education and participation.

She will also tour one of the sites chosen by the "Schools Adopt-A-Monument - -Palermo Opens the Gates" project. This five-year old project instills a sense of civic commitment and community ownership in the schoolchildren of Palermo by allowing them to "adopt" local monuments, including buildings, parks, fountains and churches which have been abused or neglected.

Event: Commencement Ceremony at Al-Akhawayn University

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Al-Akhawayn University
Main Auditorium
Fes, Morocco

Press Notes

Open press for arrival to University and commencement address. Press must arrive no later than 9:00 a.m. Simultaneous translation. Mult is provided. The on-site contact is Gretchen Michael.

Credentialing Information for Press Coverage in Fes

To receive credentials to cover the First Lady's events in Fes, press must contact Gretchen Michael at 212-1-37-35-52. Moroccan press must contact the Ministry of Communications to receive credentials.

Event: Departure from Fes

Time: 12:00 p.m.

Location: Fes-Saïss Airport

Press Notes

Open press. Press must arrive to the airport by 11:15 a.m. The on-site contact is Gretchen Michael.

Event: Arrival at Ponto Raisa Airport

Time: 4:35 p.m.

Location: Ponto Raisa Airport
Cinisi, Sicily

Press Notes

Open Press. No remarks; photo opportunity only. Press must show standard press identification to gain access to the site. Press can access site between 3:00pm – 4:00pm. On-site contact is Judith Fitch.

Event: Adopt-a-Monument

Time: 7:20 p.m.

Location: Santa Maria dello Spasimo Church
Via del Spasimo
Quartiere Kalsa
Palermo, Sicily

Press Notes

Open press. No formal remarks are planned; photo opportunities only. Press must show standard press identification to gain access to the site. Press should enter the back gate on Via del Spasimo between 5:30pm – 6:45pm. Throw is 30'. Natural lighting. On-site contacts are Stephanie Jones and Les McBee.

Press Transportation Note

Press wishing to cover both the Adopt-A-Monument event and the First Lady's CIVITAS keynote address should assemble in the press center inside the Teatro Massimo (see below for address) no later than 5:30pm. Transportation will be provided to Spasimo Church and will return press to Teatro Massimo in time for the First Lady's address. On-site contacts are Gene Bigler and Margaret Bliss.

Event: CIVITAS Palermo World Congress: Making Education for Democracy an International Priority

Time: 8:30 p.m.
Location: Teatro Massimo
Piazza Guiseppe Verde
Palermo, Sicily

Press Notes

Open press. Press must show standard press identification to gain access to the site. Press can enter the site between 10:00am - 7:30pm. Throw is 100'. Lighting and mult provided. Simultaneous translation. On-site contacts are Nick Cohen and Margaret Bliss.

Editor's Note: The First Lady will overnight in Palermo. On Saturday, she will travel to Cologne, Germany to join the President. Any separate press schedule for the First Lady will be released as it is determined.

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**PRESS SCHEDULE OF THE FIRST LADY
FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 1999
(In Paris, France and Fes, Morocco)**

Washington, D.C. -- On Thursday, June 17, in Paris, France, First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton will deliver a major address on encouraging the development of civil society. The First Lady will be in Paris as part of President Clinton's trip to Europe.

In the afternoon, the First Lady will travel separate from the President to Fes to complete her tour of Morocco. Due to inclement weather, Mrs. Clinton was unable to make a scheduled visit to Fes in March 1999, as part of her two-week trip to Egypt, Tunisia and Morocco. Mrs. Clinton will inaugurate a maternity ward operating room at the Ibn El Khatib Hospital, one of seven maternity hospitals renovated through the USAID/Morocco Safe Motherhood Initiative. In addition, she will participate in a roundtable discussion with leaders of local and international non-governmental organizations (NGOs).

EVENT: Speech at the Sorbonne
TIME: 12:00 p.m.
DATE: Thursday, June 17, 1999
LOCATION: Le Grand Amphitheatre, La Sorbonne
47 rue des Ecoles, Paris 5

Press Notes:

This event is open press. No pre-credentialing is required. Press must show standard press identification to gain access. Lighting and mult are provided. Press traveling with the President wishing to cover this speech, will be transported from the President's morning event at Elysee Sound also will be fed to the filing center. Simultaneous interpretation. Limited satellite truck parking available on rue Saint-Jacques.

Pre-Set: 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
Final Access: 11:45 a.m.

The on-site contact is Brenda Anders.

Editor's Note: In the afternoon, the First Lady will travel to Fes, Morocco. Departure from Orly International Airport is closed to the press.

Credentialing Information for Press Coverage in Fes:

To receive credentials to cover the First Lady's events in Fes, press must contact Gretchen Michael at 212-1-37-35-52. Moroccan press must contact the Ministry of Communications to receive credentials.

EVENT: Arrival in Fes

TIME: 2:10 p.m.

DATE: Thursday, June 17, 1999

LOCATION: Fes-Saiss Airport

Press Notes:

Open press. Press must arrive to the airport by 1:25 p.m. Press must show standard press identification to gain access. The on-site contact is Gretchen Michael.

EVENT: Inauguration of Maternity Operating Room

TIME: 3:00 p.m.

DATE: Thursday, June 17, 1999

LOCATION: Ibn El Khatib Hospital
Fes, Morocco

Press Notes:

This event is open press for remarks/ribbon-cutting ceremony. Pool press for photo-op in the maternity room. Press must arrive by 2:15 p.m. Consecutive translation. No mult. The on-site contact is Gretchen Michael.

EVENT: NGO Roundtable Discussion

TIME: 3:50 p.m.

DATE: Thursday, June 17, 1999

LOCATION: Prefectur of the Medina
Fes, Morocco

Press Notes:

Open press. Press must arrive no later than 3:00 p.m. Simultaneous translation. Lighting and mult provided. The on-site contact is Gretchen Michael.

Editor's Note: The First Lady will remain overnight in Fes, Morocco.

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