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**TRIP OF FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON  
TO WARSAW, POLAND; BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA; FLORENCE, ITALY; AND  
REKYJAVIK, ICELAND  
October 5, 1999 - October 10, 1999**

Washington, D.C. -- First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton will travel to Poland, Slovakia, Italy, and Iceland from October 5, 1999 to October 10, 1999. Throughout the trip, the First Lady will underscore the importance -- as we approach the new millennium -- of working with non-governmental organizations (NGOs) on issues of civic participation, human rights and social investment; encouraging the economic empowerment of women; and preserving the world's cultural heritage for future generations.

In Warsaw, Poland, the First Lady will participate in the international conference, "Partners in Transition: Lessons for the Next Decade," hosted by the Republic of Poland and sponsored by the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and the German Marshall Fund of the United States. At the conference, leaders from the Baltic Republics, Central and Eastern Europe, and the newly independent countries of the former Soviet Union will discuss the challenges facing them as they continue their transformation to free market economies and democracies. The conference will provide an opportunity for these nations to forge partnerships and to share broad lessons and best practices to address these challenges. The First Lady will deliver a major address on encouraging the development of civil society and democracy.

In addition, Mrs. Clinton will meet with the President and Prime Minister of Poland. She will visit a newly established school to serve Jewish children, and participate in a roundtable discussion with small business owners at a local textile factory to highlight the economic empowerment of women and microenterprise development.

In Bratislava, Slovakia, the First Lady will attend a meeting with Slovak NGOs to applaud the contributions they have made to civil society and democracy since Mrs. Clinton's last visit in June, 1996. Mrs. Clinton also will meet with Slovak Republic President Rudolf Schuster and Prime Minister Mikulas Dzurinda, as well as representatives from the newly formed coalition government.

In Florence, the First Lady will address the "Conference on Financing, Resources, and the Economics of Cultural and Sustainable Development," sponsored by the Government of Italy, and the World Bank, in cooperation with UNESCO. Building on her work in development and preservation, Mrs. Clinton will focus her remarks on strategies to support culture and sustainable development.

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The First Lady will travel to Reykjavik, Iceland to deliver the keynote address at the "Conference on Women and Democracy at the Dawn of the New Millennium." The conference is hosted by the government of Iceland and co-sponsored by the Nordic Council and the United States government. The conference builds on the First Lady's Vital Voices initiative to encourage the full participation of women in all aspects of political and economic life. The Reykjavik conference will provide an opportunity for women from the Baltic Republics and Russia to partner with American and Scandinavian leaders in government and private sectors in order to enhance economic opportunities and political participation. The First Lady spoke at the first Vital Voices Conference in Vienna, Austria in July 1997; and subsequent conferences in Belfast, in September 1998; and in Montevideo, Uruguay in October 1998.

In addition, the United States and Iceland have formed a Millennium Working Group and have been working together on several programs to highlight our shared history through exhibitions and cultural celebrations. Mrs. Clinton will also highlight this partnership during her visit.

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Editor's Note: The First Lady will be in Warsaw, Poland October 5; in Bratislava on October 6; in Florence, Italy, on October 7; and in Reykjavik, Iceland, from October 8 to October 10. Details on Mrs. Clinton's schedule and press coverage of her events during the trip will be released separately.

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**Press Schedule of the First Lady's Trip to Europe  
October 4 - 10, 1999**

NOTE: This schedule outlines the First Lady's press events during her trip to Reykjavik, Iceland. This schedule is subject to change. For an overview of the trip and details on the events listed below and previous trip schedules, please refer to the separately released press paper.

**Credentialing Information:**

Press interested in covering any of the First Lady's events in Iceland must request a credential at the Media Center, located at Iceland High School of Commerce (Verslunarskoli), 354-553-7400. The Media Center will open beginning in the afternoon of Thursday, October 7, 1999.

**Friday, October 8, 1999**

4:40 p.m. Arrival at Keflavik Airport  
Reykjavik, Iceland

Press Notes:

Open Press. Press should use entrance at departure parking lot near Gate C. Press must show trip credential to gain access. Press check-in will be between 3:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Parking is available in the Main Terminal parking lot. Satellite truck parking in departure parking lot near police station and gate C. Cable run is 300'. Throw is approximately 40'. The on-site contact is Justin Kronholm.

6:10 p.m. Courtesy Call with President Grimsson  
Presidential Residence  
Reykjavik, Iceland

Press Notes:

There will be a photo-op at the top of the meeting. Open to still photo and cameras only. Press must arrive between 4:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. and have trip credential. Parking is available on-site. Throw is approximately 35'. The on-site contact is Lori Greenbaum.

8:15 p.m. Dinner hosted by Prime Minister Oddson  
Perlan Restaurant  
Perlan Veitingahusoskjuhlid 101  
Reykjavik, Iceland

Press Notes:

Open press for arrival. Pool spray only for toasts. Press must show trip credential to gain access. Press must arrive between 6:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Parking is available on site. Throw is approximately 125'. The on-site contact is Lori Greenbaum.

## **Saturday, October 9, 1999**

Editor's Note: This schedule is subject to change. In case of inclement weather, the First Lady will not be able to travel to the Westmann Islands.

9:45 a.m. Visit to the GLOBE Program at Lava Field  
Westmann Islands, Iceland

### Press Notes:

Pool press. Press charter and transportation will be provided from Reykjavik Airport to and from the Westmann Islands, and Island transport will be provided from the Island Airport to the Lava Field. Press interested in being in the pool must contact Thorgeir Astzaldsson at 354-553-7400. Press must arrive at the Reykjavik airport no later than 7:00 a.m. The Westmann Island contact is Justin Kronholm.

1:40 p.m. Visit to Viking Ship - Photo-op  
Viking Ship dock  
Reykjavik, Iceland

### Press Notes:

Open press. Press must show trip credential. Press must arrive between 12:00 p.m. and 12:30 p.m. at the Rock wall near the Viking ship dock (Grjotgardur). The on-site contact is Eileen Parise.

3:40 p.m. Visit to Thingvellir/ Press Statement at Prime Minister's Summer  
Residence  
Reykjavik, Iceland

### Press Notes:

Open press. Press must check-in between 2:00 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. at the Hotel Valhöll and will be escorted to pre-set location. Note: Press should wear comfortable walking shoes and be prepared for extensive walking. Mult is provided. The on-site contact is Lori Greenbaum.

Editor's Note: The First Lady will remain overnight in Reykjavik, Iceland.

## **Sunday, October 10, 1999**

11:15 a.m. Vital Voices Conference on Women and Democracy at the Dawn of the  
New Millennium  
City Theater-Lestabrat 3  
Reykjavik, Iceland

### Press Notes:

Open press for print and stills. Pool for TV. Press must arrive at the City Theater between 9:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Press must show conference credential (credential available at the Media Center at the Iceland High School of Commerce). Lighting and mult provided. Parking is available at the Iceland High School of Commerce. Throw is approximately 40'. The on-site contact is Lori Greenbaum.

Editor's Note: In the afternoon, the First Lady will depart Reykjavik and travel to Washington, D.C. The departure and arrival are closed press.

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**RE-SENDING: Updates Press Coverage at ACUS Textile Factory in Warsaw**

**PRESS SCHEDULE OF THE FIRST LADY'S TRIP TO EUROPE  
October 4 - 10, 1999**

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**Monday, October 4, 1999**

12:15 a.m. Arrival at Okecie Airport  
Warsaw, Poland

Press Notes:

Open press. No pre-credentialing required. Press must show standard press identification to gain access. Press must arrive between 10:00 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. No lighting or mult. Throw is approximately 200'. The on-site contact is Cesar Beltran.

**Tuesday, October 5, 1999**

8:45 a.m. Meeting with President Kwasniewski  
Presidential Palace  
Warsaw, Poland

Press Notes:

Pool spray at top. Press interested in covering must contact Teresa Grabczynska at the Palace Press Office, 48-22-695-1070, for further details. Lighting is provided. No mult. The on-site contact is Stephanie Jones.

9:40 a.m. Women's Entrepreneur Roundtable  
ACUS-Caterina Textile Factory  
ul. Terespolska 4  
Warsaw, Poland

Press Notes:

Pool press for tour. **Expanded pool press for discussion.** Press must show standard press identification to gain access. Press should use main entrance of factory. On-street parking. Lighting and mult provided. Throw is approximately 40'

Preset: 6:30 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.

Final Access: 8:45 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

The on-site contact is Lars Erickson.

11:45 a.m. Tour Lauder Morasha School/Remarks to Students  
Multi-Purpose Room  
10 Ulica Hipolita Wawelberga  
Warsaw, Poland

Press Notes:

Classroom tour is pool press only. Open press for remarks. Pre-credentialing is required. Press must fax a request, including names of journalists attending to 48-22-625-7125, attn: Tom Delaney, no later than noon Monday, October 4, 1999. Press entrance and parking: directed on-site. Mult and lighting provided. Throw is approximately 60'.

Pre-set: 6:30 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.

Final access: 11:00 a.m. - 11:20 a.m.

The on-site contact is Lars Erickson.

1:30 p.m. Awards Presentation and Speech at "Partners in Transition: Lessons for the Next Decade" Conference  
Marriott Hotel  
Baltic Ballroom, 2nd Floor  
Al Jerozolimskie 65/79 00-697  
Warsaw, Poland

Press Notes:

Open press. Press interested in covering the conference must fax credential requests to Tom Delaney at 48-22-625-7125. Press should use main entrance of the hotel. Press check-in is in the lobby. Press must show standard press identification to gain access to the conference. Mult and lighting is provided. Throw is approximately 40'. Simultaneous translation.

Pre-Set: 10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.  
Final Access: 12:30 p.m.

The on-site contact is Lars Erickson.

3:35 p.m. Meeting with Foreign Minister Geremek  
Marriott Hotel  
Panorama Club, 40th Floor  
Warsaw, Poland

Press Notes:

Pool spray at the top of meeting. (in two waves) Press directed on-site. The on-site contact is Stephanie Jones.

7:30 p.m. Meeting with Prime Minister Buzek/Pool Spray before Reception  
Water Palace  
Warsaw, Poland

Press Notes:

Pool spray at the top of meeting and following meeting on the walk into the reception hosted by Prime Minister Buzek. Press entrance and parking directed on-site. Throw is approximately 20'.

Pre-Set: 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
Final Access: 6:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

On-site contact is Lars Erickson.

Editor's Note: The First Lady will remain overnight in Warsaw. In the morning of October 6, Mrs. Clinton will travel to Bratislava, Slovakia. Schedule and details of events for the remainder of her trip will be released separately as soon as possible.

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**FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON PARTICIPATES  
IN NGO FORUM IN BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA**

**October 6, 1999**

Washington, D.C. -- On October 6, 1999, in Bratislava, Slovakia, First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton will attend a meeting with Slovak non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to applaud the contributions they have made to civil society and democracy since Mrs. Clinton's last visit in June, 1996.

**EVENT:** NGO Forum  
**TIME:** 1:45 p.m.  
**DATE:** Wednesday, October 6, 1999  
**LOCATION:** Primaciálny Palác  
Hall of Mirrors  
Primaciálne Namestie (Primates' Square)

**Press Notes:**

This event is open press. Lighting and mult provided. Press should use main entrance off Primates' Square.

Pre-Set: 11:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Final Access: 12:45 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

The on-site contact is Jennifer Kass.

**Credentialing Information:**

Press interested in covering this event must apply for credentials by contacting Martina Jorikova at 59223177 or 59223141, no later than 4:30 p.m., on Tuesday, October 5, 1999. Credentials may be picked up at the U.S. Embassy, Hviezdoslavovd Nam #4, on Tuesday, October 5, from 12:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., or on Wednesday, October 6, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Press must show standard press identification to gain access.

Editor's Note: All times are local (ET +6 hours). A press schedule of the First Lady's additional events in Bratislava will be released separately.

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**Wednesday, October 6, 1999**

6:20 p.m.      Arrival at Galileo Galilie Airport  
Pisa, Italy

Press Notes:

Open press. Press interested in covering the arrival must fax a request to Mr. Eleonora Italia, Pisa International Airoirt, fax # 050-506002, or call her at 050-44325 or 050-40132. Credential applications must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., on October 6, 1999.

**Thursday, October 7, 1999**

11:00 a.m.      Address to Conference on Financing, Resources, and the Economics of Cultural  
and Sustainable Development  
Fortezza da Basso  
Florence, Italy

Press Notes:

Open press. For more information on receiving credentials to cover the conference, please contact the American Embassy in Rome, fax 06-4674-2655, ph. 06-4674-2426. Press must arrive at the Fortezza da Basso no later than 10:00 a.m. Simultaneous translation. The on-site contact is Mike King.

Editor's Note: The First Lady will remain overnight in Florence and travel to Reykjavik, Iceland in the morning of October 8, 1999. A schedule of press events in Reykjavik will be released separately.

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