

POOL REPORT

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Carter Welcoming Canadian Prime Minister Joe Clark  
and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher

Tokyo, Japan

June 27, 1979

Canadian leader Joe Clark arrived ahead of his 5:45 scheduled arrival at the Embassy residence and walked directly inside before President Carter had time to walk out and meet him. After a few minutes, Carter and Clark emerged for some light banter while posing for photographers.

"You're looking well," Carter told Clark at one point.

"Winning helps," said the 40-year-old Clark, who was elected only two weeks ago.

Clark went on to tell Carter how he did not envy the President's traveling schedule. But Carter said it wasn't so bad. "We'll be home before long." Carter said he had visited Japan exactly four years ago, spending a day and a half in Tokyo and another day and a half in Koyoto.

"One has so little chance to get an understanding of the country in circumstances like this," Clark said. Both men retreated into the residence.

Clark was supposed to have left before Mrs. Thatcher arrived. But the British leader was almost seven minutes early, arriving at 6:08 pm, trapping Carter inside with Clark. She, too, walked directly into the Embassy. In a few moments, Carter returned outside. She was terribly well turned out in a black silk dress and black patent leather shoes. Carter wore a blue blazer and light blue pants with a fine check.

Their chit-chat was barely audible. Mrs. Thatcher asked after Mrs. Carter, and the President mumbled some sort of assurance about Rosalynn's health. Finally, somewhat strained with the noisy horde, Mrs. Thatcher said, "Tick, tick, tick," mimicking the sound of the cameras, "haven't you had enough?" With Carter chuckling, they turned and went inside the residence and joined Clark for an unscheduled three-way conversation.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

The President met with Prime Minister Joe Clark of Canada from 5:45 pm until about 6:15 pm. Also in the meeting were Secretary of State Vance and Foreign Minister Flora MacDonald.

At 6:15 pm, British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and Foreign Minister Lord Carrington joined the meeting.

Prime Minister Clark and Foreign Minister MacDonald departed at 7:15 pm and the President and Secretary Vance continued to meet with Prime Minister Thatcher and Lord Carrington until 7:30 pm.

The bilateral discussions focused on bilateral matters. In the three-way meeting the focus was on the Summit agenda -- energy, refugees, and economic issues.

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## THE DAILY DIARY OF PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER

## LOCATION

GYOKUSEN JI TEMPLE  
SHIMODA, JAPAN

DATE (Mo., Day, Yr.)

JUNE 27, 1979

TIME DAY

2:23 p.m. WEDNESDAY

TIME		PHONE	ACTIVITY
From	To	P-Placed R-Rec'd	
2:23	2:36		The President and the First Lady, escorted by Chief Priest Murakami, participated in a tour of the temple. Members of the press
			The President and the First Lady returned to their motorcade.
2:39	2:43		The President and the First Lady motored from the Gyokusen-Ji Temple to the Shimoda Heloport.
2:46	3:27		The President and the First Lady flew by Marine helicopter from Shimoda Heloport to Akasaka Palace helipad. For a list of passengers, see <u>APPENDIX "A."</u>
			The President and the First Lady went to their motorcade.
3:30	3:35		The President and the First Lady motored from Akasaka Palace to the U.S. Embassy residence.
			The President and the First Lady returned to the residence.
5:37	5:38	R	The President talked with his Deputy Appointments Secretary, Frances M. "Fran" Voorde.
5:45	?		The President met with:
5:45	7:15?		The First Lady
5:45	7:15?		Charles Joseph Clark, Prime Minister of Canada
			Flora Isabel MacDonal, Secretary of State for External Affairs, Canada
5:45	7:30		Secretary Vance
6:15?	7:30		Margaret R. Thatcher, Prime Minister of the United Kingdom of Great Britian and Northern Ireland (UK)
6:15?	7:30		Lord Carrington, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, UK
8:59		P	The President gave a message to the White House signal board operator.
9:35	9:38	R	The President talked with his Assistant for Intergovernmental Affairs and Cabinet Secretary, Jack H. Watson, Jr.
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