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NATIONAL PRESS COUNCIL PLANNING MEETING

THE TWENTIETH CENTURY FUND TASK FORCE AND FOUNDATION REPRESENTATIVES

22 September 1972

Agenda

9:00 a.m.

Coffee in library.

9:30 a.m.

Beginning of task force meeting,
conference room.

Introduction of Justice Roger Traynor;
comments.

Report by M. J. Rossant on foundation
support.

Comments by Ithiel Pool and Lucy Benson
on Aspen Conference and related
developments.

Discuss specific points in report:

- 1) Confidentiality
- 2) Make-up of council
- 3) Succession of members
- 4) Regional councils
- 5) Selection and role of working
committee
- 6) Timetable

12:30 p.m.

Lunch with Task Force and foundation
representatives.

2:00 p.m.

Afternoon session in conference room.

Questions and comments by foundation
representatives.

Response and discussion by Task Force.
Plans for setting up the funding
consortium.

Nomination and selection of working
committee.

Working committee agenda and timetable.
Steps leading up to and including press
council launching with tentative
target date.

Adjourn meeting.

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Task Force

Barry Bingham, Sr., The Courier Journal
Lucy Benson, League of Women Voters
Hodding Carter, The Delta-Democrat Times
Robert Chandler, The Bulletin
Ithiel de Sola Pool, M. I. T.
Richard Harwood, The Washington Post
John Oakes, The New York Times
C. Donald Peterson, Associate Justice, Minnesota Supreme Court
Paul Reardon, Associate Justice, Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court
Richard Salant, Columbia Broadcasting System
Alfred Balk, Columbia Journalism Review, rapporteur

Foundation Representatives

William C. Archie, Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation
William Benton, The Benton Foundation
Louis Cowan, Cowan Foundation
Ivanhoe Donaldson, Irwin-Sweeney-Miller Foundation
Fred Friendly, Ford Foundation
David Hunter, The Stern Fund
Joan Davidson, trustee, Kaplan Fund
Estelle Linzer, The Johnson Foundation
Ray Rubinow, The Kaplan Fund

Paul Ringler, The Milwaukee Journal
Benno Schmidt, Columbia University Law School

Roger Traynor, Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court

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