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D.C. ELECTIONS BOARD LISTS PROVISIONS FOR MEDIA COVERING PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

The District of Columbia Board of Elections advises media personnel who will be covering the November 8th Presidential Election to make arrangements now for telephone installations, election information kits, and media credentials.

ELECTION RETURNS will be released periodically throughout the evening in Rooms 501 and 503 of the District Building. Please call Leona Agouridis to reserve space.

A.M. returns will be released at about 8:20, shortly after the polls close. Cumulative totals reflecting P.M. returns will be reported in periodic intervals after ballot boxes from the polling places begin to arrive at the District Building. Expect to see the first evening returns at about 10:00 p.m.

Please note that ballot tabulation on November 8th will take longer than it does for other elections because of the large number of ballots (high voter turnout and two-card ballots for each voter) and because of the many contests on the ballot (a total of 333 offices from U.S. President to Advisory Neighborhood Commissioner—more than 450 candidates). We recommend that you allow for additional tabulation time when planning your coverage.

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ARRANGEMENTS FOR TELEPHONE INSTALLATION in Rooms 501 and 503 may be made with Mrs. Henrietta Lockett at C&P (783-9900). Mrs. Lockett has informed us that all requests for phone installation must be made by November 1st.

MEDIA KITS will be available beginning October 27th. Kits will contain registration statistics, election district maps, precinct polling place locations, turnout statistics from past years, and other helpful information.

MAP GRAPHICS reflecting voter turnout throughout the city and voting patterns in certain contests should be available the day following the election, and possibly even late on election night. If you plan to use graphics in your coverage and if you would like to view graphics from past elections, please call us.

MEDIA CREDENTIALS are strongly recommended for reporters and researchers who plan to be in the District Building.

To order media kits and credentials, or to discuss the logistics of election night coverage, please call Leona Agouridis at 727-2525.

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