

Nixon Flies To Houston For NAB

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President Nixon flies today to Houston, where he will hold a nationally televised question-and-answer session with the National Association of Broadcasters. It will be broadcast at 8 p.m. EDT.

The President has added a tour of the nation's space center on Wednesday to the schedule of his Texas trip.

Deputy press secretary Gerald L. Warren said the President will tour the Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center at Houston at midmorning, examining facilities to be used by American astronauts and Russian cosmonauts for a joint manner space mission in 1975.

Warren said Mr. Nixon would make brief remarks to employees of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and will participate in the award of NASA distinguished service medals to the last three Skylab astronauts—Lt. Col. Joseph T. Carr, Col. William Pogue and Dr. Edward Gibson.

The Houston trip is part of Mr. Nixon's campaign to overcome Watergate by making public appearances across the country to show he is resisting impeachment and resignation pressure.

He held an hour-long nationally televised and broadcast meeting with Chicago businessmen on Friday, then went to the Grand Ole Opry Saturday night where he took center stage to plunk out "God Bless America" and other songs on the piano.

Unlike the Chicago session, selected White House correspondents will be allowed to join in the questioning of Mr. Nixon in Houston. Other questions will be from members of the broadcasters association.

Mr. Nixon plans to return to Washington on Wednesday, aides said.