Ford to Receive Regular Intelligence Briefings

Washington

Gerald Ford will receive regular intelligence briefings on orders from President Carter, it was learned yesterday.

The former President also will be given an Air Force plane to fly from Monterey to Houston today for a Vince Lombardi dinner, according to spokesman Rex Granum.

The airplane was requested as a "courtesy" for Ford's initial trip to ease his return to life as a private citizen and will not be billed to his transition fund, aides said.

Intelligence briefings have

been given to past presidents since John Kennedy extended the courtesy to Dwight Eisenhower. Under Ford's orders, they were provided regularly to Richard Nixon.

Nixon received his last briefing with classified documents last month, and there was no immediate word from the Carter administration on whether those briefings would continue.

A courier service for personal delivery of documents to Nixon has been discontinued.

Aides said Carter has ordered that every courtesy be extended to Ford so long as it is not in violation of law.

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