

Nixon China Visit to Start Feb. 21; May Last a Week

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Washington, Nov. 29 - President Nixon's visit to China, the first there by a United States chief of state, will begin on Feb. 21, the White House announced today.

A one-sentence statement, issued simultaneously in Peking, ended weeks of speculation on the date but provided no further details. Ronald L. Ziegler, the White House press secretary, said he would have more information tomorrow. It is expected the visit will last about one week. [21 to 28 Feb.]