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**ROBERT DALLEK AND JAMES RESTON JR. DISCUSS NIXON AND  
KISSINGER AT THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER**  
*In conjunction with Eyewitness: American Originals from the National Archives*

Philadelphia, PA (June 15, 2007) - In conjunction with *Eyewitness: American Originals from the National Archives*, authors **Robert Dallek** and **James Reston, Jr.** will join the National Constitution Center in a revealing conversation about the complex relationship between Richard Nixon and his advisor Henry Kissinger. **David Greenberg**, professor of history and journalism at Rutgers University and author of the award-winning book *Nixon's Shadow*, will moderate. Bringing together their rare combination of expertise in American political history, culture, image and psychology, these distinguished writers will discuss how these two unlikely partners in power not only altered American politics but changed how we perceive and remember our politicians. This event will be held on Tuesday, June 26, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. Admission is free, but reservations are required and can be made by calling 215.409.6700.

**Robert Dallek** is an expert on the American presidency and the author of several acclaimed, best-selling biographies on Franklin D. Roosevelt, John F. Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson, and Ronald Reagan.

With unprecedented access to major new resources, including transcriptions of Kissinger's telephone conversations as Secretary of State and unreleased audio files of key Nixon telephone conversations and Oval Office discussions, Dallek's new book, *Nixon and Kissinger: Partners in Power*, offers a unique and provocative portrait of the rivalry and uneasy partnership of two powerful leaders who dominated the world stage and changed the course of history.

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Dallek's writing has appeared in *The Atlantic Monthly*, *The New York Times*, and *The Washington Post*. He is an elected fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the Society of American Historians.

**James Reston, Jr.** was the Watergate advisor for television personality, David Frost, during the Frost/Nixon television interviews. His new book, *The Conviction of Richard Nixon: The Untold Story of the Frost/Nixon Interviews*, is an intimate account of his experience. Originally written in 1977 and now published for the first time, this book helped inspire Peter Morgan's hit play *Frost/Nixon*. Reston researched the Watergate record and worked closely with Frost to develop the interrogation strategy. Reston is the author of 13 books, three plays, and numerous national magazine articles. He is a Woodrow Wilson Center Senior Scholar in Washington D.C.

**David Greenberg** is a professor of history and journalism at Rutgers University, and the author of the award-winning book, *Nixon's Shadow: The History of an Image*. A regular columnist for *Slate*, he has written for *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The New Yorker*, *The Atlantic Monthly*, *Foreign Affairs* and other scholarly and popular publications. A former managing editor and acting editor of *The New Republic*, he holds a BA from Yale and a PhD in history from Columbia.

A book sale and signing will follow the program, courtesy of the Joseph Fox Bookshop.

As President Nixon made his farewell remarks to the Cabinet and White House staff on August 9, 1974, George H. W. Bush – then Chairman of the Republican National Committee – was there. His impressions of Nixon's final hours in office as the first President to resign are recorded in his diary for that day, which can be seen in the *Eyewitness* exhibit.

From May 25 through September 3, 2007 the National Constitution Center will host *Eyewitness: American Originals from the National Archives*. The exhibition presents first-hand accounts of watershed events in American history. Through letters, diaries,

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photographs, and audio and film recordings from the National Archives and its Presidential libraries, visitors to the *Eyewitness* exhibition will gain new and unique insights into well-known occurrences.

*Eyewitness: American Originals from the National Archives* is free with regular museum admission of \$12 for adults, \$11 for seniors ages 65 and up, and \$8 for children ages 4-12. Active military personnel and children ages 3 and under are free. Group rates are also available. An Acoustiguide audio tour is available for \$3 per person and \$2 for members. For ticket information, call 215.409.6700 or visit [www.constitutioncenter.org](http://www.constitutioncenter.org).

The exhibition was created by the National Archives and Record Administration, Washington, DC, and the Foundation for the National Archives. The national tour of *Eyewitness* is sponsored by The Boeing Company. Beneficial Savings Bank is the local presenting sponsor and CBS 3 Eyewitness News is the official media partner for the Constitution Center's showing of the *Eyewitness* exhibit. Funding for the National Constitution Center's changing exhibits program has been made possible through a \$1 million grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The National Constitution Center, located at 525 Arch St. on Philadelphia's Independence Mall, is an independent, nonpartisan, nonprofit organization dedicated to increasing public understanding of the U.S. Constitution and the ideas and values it represents. Opened on July 4, 2003, the Constitution Center is a museum, an education center, and a forum for debate on constitutional issues. The museum dramatically tells the story of the Constitution from Revolutionary times to the present through more than 100 interactive, multimedia exhibits, film, photographs, text, sculpture and artifacts, and features a powerful, award-winning theatrical performance, "Freedom Rising". The Center also houses the Annenberg Center for Education and Outreach, which serves as the hub for national constitutional education. Also, serving as a nonpartisan forum for constitutional discourse, the Center presents – without endorsement – programs that contain diverse viewpoints on a broad range of issues. For more information, call 215.409.6700 or visit [www.constitutioncenter.org](http://www.constitutioncenter.org).

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