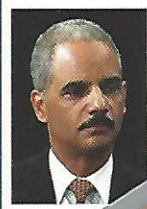


Obama's Cabinet nominations

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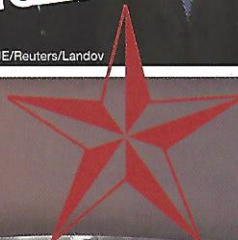
In January 2009, president-elect Obama attends the ultimate power lunch in the White House, meeting and getting advice from President Bush as well as former Presidents George H. W. Bush, Bill Clinton and Jimmy Carter.

Getting prepared for office

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The inaugural parade

Souvenirs

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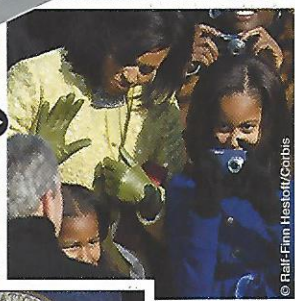


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During the inauguration ceremony, Malia Obama captures the moment from a unique point of view.



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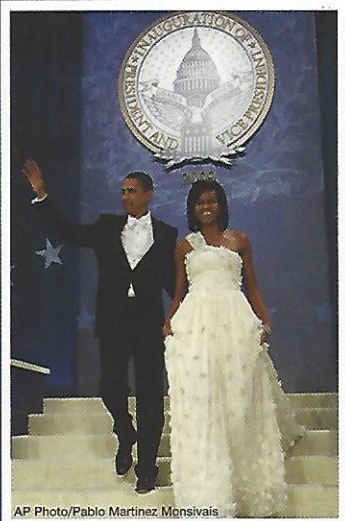


Barack Obama is sworn in as the 44th president of the United States before millions in Washington, D.C. Obama's inaugural address calls for a "new era of responsibility" in the face of economic decline and a pledge to choose "hope over fear."

"We have chosen hope over fear..."



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