HECEPTION TO THE MANCHESTER CITY FOOTBALL CLUB

MONDAY, 7TH MAY, 1956

The City Council are to recognize the achievement of the Manchester City Football Club in reaching the Final Round of the Football Association Challenge Cup Competition by holding a Reception in the Town Hall, on Monday, 7th May, 1956. This Reception will take place irrespective of the result of the match at Wembley on 5th May and an invitation has already been forwarded to your newspaper to be represented at the function.

The arrangements made are as follows:-

p.m. 6.19

Players, directors and officials of the Club will arrive at the London Road Railway Station and will travel to the Town Hall in coaches by the following route:-

> London Road Station Approach Picoadilly Market Street Cross Street Princess Street, to Albert Square

Arrangements are being made for the Band of the Manchester City Police Force to play from the platform at the Main Entrance from 6.10 p.m. until shortly before the arrival of the Team.

6.50 The Team and official party will be welcomed at the Main Entrance to to the Town Hall by the Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress (Alderman 7.00 Tom Regan, J.P. and Miss Maureen Regan).

> The party will join the Lord Mayor on a platform which is to be erected at the Main Entrance and the Lord Mayor will address the crowd in Albert Square and an opportunity will be given to representatives of the Club to respond.

> After the reception at the Main Entrance the Lord Mayor and official party will enter the Town Hall and Press representatives with admission cards may then enter the Town Hall by way of the platform.

The arrangements made for Reporting Press and Press Photographers follow those on the occasion of the Reception to the Manchester United Football Club on 21st April, viz:-

- (a) Reporters and Press Photographers will be permitted to enclosures adjoining the platform to witness the arrival of the Team.
- (b) Arrangements will be made, upon application to the Town Hall Superintendent before 4.30 p.m. on Friday, 4th May, 1956, to enable Press Photographers to take photographs from certain selected points from within the Town Hall.
- (c) After the coaches bringing the Team and party have moved away from the Main Entrance the Police will facilitate Press Photographers who wish to take photographs from the carriageway in front of the Town Hall to leave the enclosures to do so.

8.30 The Team and official party leave by the Main Entrance.

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p.m.