

Monument Reopens Script

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NAT SOT: PARK SERVICE OFFICER	HOW MANY WOULD YOU LIKE? ONE? 10:30 TICKETS. 10:30. ONE? YOU GOT IT IF I CAN UNTANGLE IT. YOU'RE WELCOME. I HAVE SOME 10:30'S IF YOU'D LIKE THEM.
SOT: MIKE COUACAUD, Construction Manager (covered in part)	THE PEOPLE ARE STAGING OVER AT THE INTERPRETIVE CENTER. THEY PICK UP THEIR TICKETS OUT FRONT AT THE KIOSK AND THEY'RE GOING IN IN GROUPS OF 25. THIS MORNING THEY WERE LINING UP AT 7:00 TO GET IN.
NAT SOT: PARK SERVICE OFFICER	OK, I NEED TO HAVE YOUR ATTENTION.
SOT: POLICE OFFICER (covered in part)	WE DID MAKE STEPPED-UP SECURITY MEASURES AT THE WASHINGTON MONUMENT. PEOPLE WILL SEE MEASURES IN THE WAY OF A MAGNETOMETER, SCREENING AT THE CHECKPOINT, SECURITY FENCES AND INCREASED U.S. PARK POLICE PRESENCE.
SOT: MIKE COUACAUD (covered in part)	ON THE EXTERIOR WE DID SOME CORNER REPAIRS, WHEN YOU LOOK UP AT THE MONUMENT YOU CAN SEE SOME NEW STONES ON THE CORNERS. THAT'S WHERE WE CUT OUT SOME OF THE CORNERS THAT WERE READY TO FALL OUT AND POSSIBLY HURT SOMEBODY. PEOPLE SEEM TO REALLY LIKE ALL THE NEW WORK AND THE NEW WINDOWS. THE INSIDE IS MUCH MORE OPEN AND BRIGHT. THE NEW WINDOWS GIVE YOU A MUCH BETTER VIEW OF THE CITY. THE LIGHTING IS MUCH NICER UP THERE.
MOS: WOMAN VISITOR (covered in part)	VERY EXCITING. WE DID NOT ANTICIPATE ALL THIS HULLABALLOO. WE HAVEN'T BEEN HERE FOR, HOW MANY YEARS, 8 YEARS. SO IT WAS VERY CLEANED UP, SPRUCED UP AND EVERYBODY IS VERY ACCOMMODATING AND HELPFUL. THE PARK SERVICE IS DOING A GREAT JOB.
SOT: MIKE COUACAUD (covered in part)	THE MONUMENT, IN ITSELF, THE PURE STONE AND THE BEAUTIFUL CLEAN LINES, IS REALLY WHAT THE MONUMENT WAS MEANT TO LOOK LIKE.