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### ADVANCE PASSES FOR ANDREW WYETH'S HELGA PICTURES AVAILABLE MAY 11

WASHINGTON, April 24, 1987 - Beginning May 11 advance passes will be available at the National Gallery of Art and through Ticketron for <u>American</u> <u>Drawings and Watercolors of the 20th Century: Andrew Wyeth, the Helga Pictures</u>. The exhibition opens Sunday, May 24, 1987, in the West Building of the National Gallery. Admission to the exhibition will be by pass only.

Advance and same-day reservations can be made at special Pass Desks on the Main Floor of the West Building (visitors should enter at the 6th and Constitution Ave. NW door, then proceed upstairs). Passes acquired in person at the National Gallery will be free of any charge. Passes are not available by phone or by mail from the National Gallery. For a recorded message please call (202) 842-3472. Times and locations of related summer educational programs will be listed in the National Gallery Calendar of Events.

Passes may also be obtained, beginning May 11, at all Ticketron outlets nationwide, or ordered by calling Teletron at 1-800-233-4050. There will be a Ticketron service charge for passes ordered through outlets (\$1.35) or by telephone (\$2.00, credit card only). Reservations will be restricted to six passes per person.

Andrew Wyeth, the Helga Pictures may be seen on the Ground Floor of the West Building of the National Gallery, located at Constitution Ave. and 6th St., NW, from May 24 until Sept 27, 1987. Gallery hours are 10:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M., Mon. through Sat.; and Sun., noon to 9:00 P.M. These are special summer hours and are in effect from Memorial Day (May 25) through Labor Day (Sept. 7), after which the Gallery resumes its regular hours.

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## NOTICE TO EDITORS

American Drawings and Watercolors of the 20th Century: Selections from the Whitney Museum of American Art will officially open on May 24, not May 21 as originally announced.

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## NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART EXTENDED SUMMER HOURS

WASHINGTON, April 24, 1987 - The National Gallery of Art will be open every day until 9 P.M. beginning Memorial Day (May 25) and continuing through Labor Day (Sept. 7). The extended summer hours for the East and West Buildings are as follows:

Monday through Saturday - 10:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. Sunday - 12:00 NOON to 9:00 P.M.

During this time, restaurant facilities will also be on an extended daily schedule:

Concourse, Cafe/Buffet: 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. Concourse, Cascade Cafe: 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. West Building, Garden Cafe: 11:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. East Building, Terrace Cafe: 11:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. \*\* All restaurants will open at 12:00 NOON on Sundays.

The new summer hours will coincide with the opening of <u>American</u> <u>Drawings and Watercolors of the 20th Century: Andrew Wyeth, the Helga</u> <u>Pictures</u> (May 24 - Sept. 27) and <u>Selections from the Whitney Museum of</u> <u>American Art</u> (May 24 - Sept. 7). The National Gallery will also present a special exhibition of <u>Italian Master Drawings from the British Royal</u> <u>Collection</u> (May 10 - July 26) and <u>A Century of Modern Sculpture: The Patsy</u> and Raymond Nasher Collection (June 28, 1987 - Jan. 3, 1988).

For further information on National Gallery exhibitions please call (202) 737-4215.

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