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LOAN OF PRESIDENT'S GLOBE EXTENDED TO CLOSE OF AIRWAYS TO PEACE EXHIBITION AT MUSEUM OF MODERN ART

President Roosevelt, who lent his Fifty-Inch Globe for the first few weeks of the <u>Airways to Peace</u> exhibition at the Museum of Modern Art, has extended his loan so that the Globe may remain on view in the exhibition until its close. The exhibition is now scheduled to close October 31, instead of October 17, as originally announced.

Presented to the President by the United States Army last Christmas, the Globe weighs more than five hundred pounds, and has on its surface more than seventeen thousand place names. It is the largest printed globe in the world, and is used as an instrument of military strategy. A duplicate of it was presented by the United States Army to Prime Minister Churchill, and several other duplicates are in use in Washington, with more being made.

Since Airways to Peace opened July 2, the exhibition has been seen by 24,743 people, an average of 798 a day.