

Other Presidential Documents

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Sec. 4. You are authorized and directed to publish this memorandum in the *Federal Register*.

GEORGE W. BUSH

THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, January 16, 2009.

Memorandum of January 16, 2009

Designation of Officers To Act as President of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation

Memorandum for the President of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998, 5 U.S.C. 3345 *et seq.*, it is hereby ordered that:

Section 1. Order of Succession. Subject to the provisions of section 2 of this memorandum, the following officials of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, in the order listed, shall act as and perform the functions and duties of the office of the President of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation (POPIC), during any period in which the POPIC has died, resigned, or otherwise become unable to perform the functions and duties of the office of POPIC, until such time as the POPIC is able to perform the functions and duties of that office:

- (a) Executive Vice President;
- (b) Vice President and General Counsel;
- (c) Vice President and Chief Financial Officer;
- (d) Deputy General Counsel; and
- (e) Director of Operations.

Sec. 2. Exceptions.

(a) No individual who is serving in an office listed in section 1 in an acting capacity, by virtue of so serving, shall act as POPIC pursuant to this memorandum.

(b) No individual listed in section 1 shall act as POPIC unless that individual is otherwise eligible to so serve under the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of this memorandum, the President retains discretion, to the extent permitted by law, to depart from this memorandum in designating an acting POPIC.

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Sec. 3. This memorandum is intended to improve the internal management of the executive branch and is not intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the United States, its agencies, instrumentalities, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person.

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Memorandum of January 21, 2009

Pay Freeze

Memorandum for the Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff

The United States is in a period of severe economic stress. Too many Americans have lost their jobs, their homes, their health insurance, or a substantial part of their retirement savings, and many more feel uncertain about the future.

In these circumstances, Government must act forcefully and creatively to stimulate our economic recovery, investing in infrastructure, innovative energy technologies, and education. It must act quickly to provide assistance to average Americans.

Many have accepted the call to serve in Government and to assist me in restoring a sound economy and in improving the lives of average Americans. In this challenging economic period, it is only appropriate that senior officials on the White House staff forgo pay increases until further notice.

Accordingly, as a signal of our shared commitment to restoring the country's economic vitality and because of the serious economic conditions we are facing, I intend to freeze the salaries of senior members of the White House staff, to the extent permitted by law. I direct you to report back to me within 30 days with recommendations for actions to implement this freeze.

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This memorandum shall be published in the *Federal Register*.

BARACK OBAMA

THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, January 21, 2009.