

Nomination of William Harrison Courtney To Be United States Commissioner for the Bilateral Consultative Commission and the Joint Consultative Commission

April 18, 1991

The President today announced his intention to nominate William Harrison Courtney, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Counselor, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as U.S. Commissioner for the Bilateral Consultative Commission and the Joint Consultative Commission established by the Threshold Test Ban Treaty (TTBT) and the Peaceful Nuclear Explosions Treaty (PNET).

Dr. Courtney is currently Deputy U.S.

Negotiator for U.S.-Soviet Defense and Space Talks at the U.S. Mission in Geneva, Switzerland. Prior to this he was Deputy Executive Secretary for the National Security Council at the White House, 1987.

Dr. Courtney graduated from West Virginia University, receiving a bachelor of arts degree, and Brown University, receiving a doctoral degree in economics. He was born July 18, 1944, in Baltimore, MD. Dr. Courtney is married, has two children, and resides in Geneva, Switzerland.

Nomination of Constance Bastine Harriman To Be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States

April 18, 1991

The President today announced his intention to nominate Constance Bastine Harriman, of California, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 1995. She would succeed Richard C. Houseworth.

Since 1989 Ms. Harriman has served as Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife, and Parks at the Department of the Interior. Prior to this she served as an associate with

Step toe & Johnson, 1987–1989. Ms. Harriman has also served as Associate Solicitor for Energy and Resources at the Department of the Interior, 1985–1987.

Ms. Harriman graduated from Stanford University (B.A., 1970; M.A., 1973) and the University of California at Los Angeles (J.D., 1980). She was born October 10, 1948, in Palo Alto, CA. She is married and resides in Bethesda, MD.

Presidential Determination No. 91–31—Memorandum on Disaster Assistance in the Persian Gulf Region

April 19, 1991

Memorandum for the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Defense

Subject: Drawdown from DOD Stocks for Disaster Assistance in the Gulf Region

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by section 506(a)(2) of the Foreign Assist-

ance Act of 1961, as amended (22 U.S.C. 2318(a)(2)) (the “Act”), I hereby determine that it is in the national interest of the United States to draw down defense articles from the stocks of the Department of Defense and defense services of the Department of Defense for the purpose of the pro-

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vision of international disaster assistance in the Gulf Region. Such assistance will be available to meet urgent needs in the countries of the region, including Iran and Iraq.

Therefore, I hereby authorize the furnishing of up to \$50 million of defense articles from the stocks of the Department of Defense and defense services of the Department of Defense, for the purposes and under the authorities of Chapter 9 of Part I of the Act.

In addition, pursuant to the authorities vested in me by section 552(c)(2) of the Act (22 U.S.C. 2348a(c)(2)), I hereby determine that, as the result of an unforeseen emergency, the provision of assistance under Chapter 6 of Paragraph II of the Act in amounts in excess of funds otherwise available for such assistance is important to the national interests of the United

States; and that such unforeseen emergency requires that immediate provision of assistance under that chapter. Therefore, I hereby direct the drawdown of commodities and services from the inventory and resources of the Department of Defense of an aggregate value of up to \$25 million, and authorize that they be furnished under the authority of that chapter.

The Secretary of State is directed to inform the appropriate committees of the Congress of this determination and the obligation of funds under this authority, and to publish this memorandum in the *Federal Register*.

GEORGE BUSH

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Presidential Determination No. 91-32—Memorandum on the Extension of Credit to Mongolia

April 19, 1991

Memorandum for the Secretary of State

Subject: Determination Under Section 2(b)(2)(D)(i) of the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945, as Amended—Mongolia

Pursuant to section 2(b)(2)(D)(i) of the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945, as amended (12 U.S.C. 635(b)(2)(D)(i)), I determine that it is in the national interest for the Export-Import Bank of the United States to guarantee, insure, extend credit, and par-

ticipate in the extension of credit in connection with the purchase or lease of any product by, for use in, or for sale or lease to Mongolia.

You are authorized and directed to report this determination to the Congress and to publish it in the *Federal Register*.

GEORGE BUSH

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Appointment of Gary L. Foster as Special Assistant to the President and Deputy Press Secretary

April 19, 1991

The President today announced his intention to appoint Gary L. Foster to be Special Assistant to the President and Deputy Press Secretary at the White House. He would succeed Stephen T. Hart.

Since October 1990 Mr. Foster has served as Director of Public Affairs at the Department of Commerce. Prior to this, he was director of communications for the 1990 Economic Summit of Industrialized Nations,