

## Nomination of James F. Hoobler To Be Inspector General of the Small Business Administration

*January 3, 1991*

The President today announced his intention to nominate James F. Hoobler, of New York, to be Inspector General of the Small Business Administration. He would succeed Charles R. Gillum.

From 1986 to 1990, Dr. Hoobler served as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for International Narcotics Matters at the Department of State. Prior to this, he served as senior executive for the President's Management Improvement Program at the Office of Management and Budget, 1983–1986; associate deputy administrator for planning and finance at the Veterans Administration, 1981–1983; and as the deputy

chief financial officer for resource management at the Department of Energy, 1980–1981. In addition, Dr. Hoobler served as director of the program review and budget staff at the Department of Justice, 1973–1980. Dr. Hoobler was a senior program analyst in the Office of the Director at the Central Intelligence Agency.

Dr. Hoobler graduated from Kent State University (B.S., 1963) and the University of Maryland (M.A., 1967; Ph.D., 1980). He was born August 2, 1938, in Rochester, NY. He served in the U.S. Army, 1958–1961. Dr. Hoobler is married and resides in Rockville, MD.

## Letter to Congressional Leaders Transmitting the 1990 Population and Apportionment Statistics

*January 3, 1991*

*Dear Mr. Speaker: (Dear Mr. President:)*

Pursuant to title 2, United States Code, section 2a(a), I am transmitting the statement showing the apportionment population for each State as of April 1, 1990, and the number of Representatives to which each State would be entitled.

The population counts set forth herein are subject to possible correction for undercount or overcount. The Department

of Commerce is considering whether to correct these counts and will publish corrected counts, if any, not later than July 15, 1991.

Sincerely,

GEORGE BUSH

*Note: Identical letters were sent to Thomas S. Foley, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and Dan Quayle, President of the Senate.*

## Statement on the House of Representatives Action on the Federal Budget Agreement

*January 3, 1991*

I am deeply disappointed by and disturbed about the vote taken in the House of Representatives this afternoon which is designed to undo the pay-as-you-go enforcement mechanism just legislated in the recently enacted budget agreement. The vote occurred along strictly partisan lines.

While the Democrats in the House tried to dress up their action, the inescapable point is that their purpose is to break the agreement that was negotiated and passed into law.

Changing the House rules with a purely

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party-line vote is neither fair nor right. That they have sought to break the budget agreement in what is virtually their first act of the 102d Congress puts in serious doubt whatever they might say or promise the American people on other significant issues in the upcoming session.

The provision the House Democrats would undo today is a key to enforcing the controls on Federal spending contained in

the agreement, and uncontrolled spending simply creates excuses for their raising taxes.

This matter is so fundamental to public confidence in the budget agreement and in the Government itself that I must state again, unequivocally, that I will veto *any* bill that contains the language specified in the rule passed by the House Democrats this afternoon.

## Message to the Congress Transmitting the Canada-United States Fishing Agreement

*January 4, 1991*

*To the Congress of the United States:*

In accordance with the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act of 1976, as amended (Public Law 94-265; 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), I transmit herewith an Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Canada on Fisheries Enforcement, signed at Ottawa on September 26, 1990. Under the Agreement, the United States and Canada agree to take measures to ensure that their nationals and vessels do not

violate the fisheries laws of the other party. This Agreement will improve enforcement of U.S. fisheries laws in the U.S. exclusive economic zone and will reduce risks to human life and safety caused by fisheries enforcement incidents on both the Atlantic and Pacific coasts.

GEORGE BUSH

The White House,  
January 4, 1991.

## Remarks on the United States Discussions With Iraq and a Question-and-Answer Session With Reporters

*January 4, 1991*

*The President.* Let me just make a brief statement and take a couple of questions; then I've got to be on my way.

But as you all know, Iraq has accepted my initiative for a meeting between Secretary Baker and Foreign Minister 'Aziz. The meeting will take place on Wednesday, January 9th, in Geneva. And this is a useful step.

I hope that Iraq's acceptance of the meeting indicates a growing awareness of the seriousness of the situation and a willingness to heed the international community's will as expressed in 12 United Nations Security Council resolutions. There can be no com-

promise or negotiating on the objectives contained in those U.N. resolutions. And so, it is now for Saddam Hussein to respond to the international community's plea for reason.

I took this initiative yesterday with the view of going the extra mile to achieve a peaceful solution to the current crisis in the Gulf. Secretary Baker's mission to Geneva is to convey to Iraq the gravity of the situation and the determination of the international community to overcome Iraq's aggression against Kuwait. Iraq knows what is necessary: the complete and unconditional and immediate withdrawal of all Iraqi