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the White House, I'm going to be talking to some other extraordinary Americans about the challenges that we face as a nation. And it would be an honor to have today's graduates join us tomorrow evening at the people's house—at the White House.

Thank you all very, very much. And congratulations to each and every one of you.

Note: The President spoke at 12:57 p.m. in the high school auditorium. In his opening

remarks, the President referred to Gov. Michael N. Castle of Delaware; Secretary of Education Lamar Alexander, former Governor of Tennessee; Senator William V. Roth, Jr.; A. Wayne Meluney and George L. Frunzi, director of adult education and superintendent, respectively, for the Sussex County Vocational-Technical District; and student speakers Victoria Eastburn and William Fritz. Following his remarks, the President returned to Washington, DC.

Nomination of Arthur Hayden Hughes To Be United States Ambassador to Yemen

June 11, 1991

The President today announced his intention to nominate Arthur Hayden Hughes, of Nebraska, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the Republic of Yemen. He would succeed Charles F. Dunbar, Jr.

Mr. Hughes currently serves as Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs. Prior to this Mr. Hughes served as Deputy Chief of Mission at the U.S. Embassies in: Tel Aviv, Israel, 1986–1989; The Hague, Netherlands, 1983–1986; and Copenhagen, Denmark, 1980–1983. In addition, Mr. Hughes served at the Department of State as: Director of the Secretariat Staff for the Executive Secretariat, 1978–1980; officer-in-charge of Spanish affairs, 1977–1978; and Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs, 1976–1977.

He also served as a political officer at the U.S. Embassy in Bonn, Germany, 1973–1976. Mr. Hughes served at the State Department in Washington, DC, as staff assistant to the Under Secretary of State for Management, 1971–1973; State Department representative at the National Military Commander Center at the Department of Defense, 1970–1971; and watch officer at the State Department Operations Center, 1970. From 1965 to 1967, Mr. Hughes served as consul at the U.S. consulate in Maracaibo, Venezuela. He entered the Foreign Service in 1965.

Mr. Hughes graduated from the University of Nebraska (B.A., 1961). He was born September 25, 1939, in Lincoln, NE. Mr. Hughes served in the U.S. Army, 1962–1963. Mr. Hughes is married, has two children, and resides in Bethesda, MD.

Appointment of Gary J. Andres as Deputy Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs

June 11, 1991

The President today announced the appointment of Gary J. Andres, of Virginia, to be Deputy Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs (House).

Since 1989 Dr. Andres has served as Spe-

cial Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs at the White House. Dr. Andres served from February 1988 to January 1989 in the office of congressional affairs for George Bush for President and at the Presi-

dential transition. From July 1985 to January 1989, he was executive director for Federal relations at Southwestern Bell Corp., in Washington, DC. From October 1983 to July 1985, Dr. Andres served as vice president for Prudential-Bache Washington research. In 1983 he was a legislative assistant to Congressman Carlos Moorhead (R-

CA) and from 1982 to 1983 a legislative assistant to former Congressman Tom Corcoran (R-IL).

Dr. Andres graduated from Wheaton College (B.A., 1977) and the University of Illinois (M.A., 1978; Ph.D., 1982). He has three children and resides in Falls Church, VA.

Appointment of Arnold I. Havens as Special Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs

June 11, 1991

The President today announced the appointment of Arnold I. Havens, of Virginia, to be Special Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs (House).

Since 1989 Mr. Havens has been a partner with the law firm of White, Fine & Verville in Washington, DC. Prior to this Mr. Havens served as minority counsel and staff director for the House Energy and Commerce Committee, from 1983 to 1986. From 1981 to 1983, Mr. Havens served as associate minority counsel for the Sub-

committee on Commerce, Transportation, and Tourism. From 1979 to 1981, Mr. Havens served as assistant to the chairman of the Railroad Retirement Board in Chicago, IL. From 1973 to 1979, he served as associate counsel, Office of Legislative Counsel, House of Representatives.

Mr. Havens graduated from the University of Illinois (B.A., 1969; LL.B., 1973). Mr. Havens is married to Debra Hardy Havens, has three children, and resides in McLean, VA.

Remarks to Members of the Defense Community at Andrews Air Force Base, Maryland

June 11, 1991

Thank you all very much. And I hope everybody's enjoyed this tour as much as I have. And first, let me pay my respects to the men and women of the U.S. Air Force. I was telling General McPeak and the Secretary that I'm always so impressed by you all's dedication, certainly service. And I'm just delighted to be here with those that have made this exhibition possible from the research stage and right on up until now. I want to salute Dick Cheney, of course; our leader—one of our leaders, Bob Dole, is with us today; Don Rice, of course, our Secretary; General McPeak, you've heard me speak about him; and Members of the Senate who took the time to come out here today—our chairman, Sam Nunn,

and others. And I'm just delighted you all are here.

Senator Warner, Senator Nunn, and the members of the committee have been strong supporters of Stealth technology even before the first prototype F-117 in 1977. And we've now seen the promise of Stealth fulfilled with a remarkable success of the F-117 in Desert Storm.

The F-117 carried a revolution in warfare on its wings over Baghdad. And these remarkable aircraft flew only about 2 percent of the combat sorties, but struck over 40 percent of the strategic targets. The success of the F-117 is a tribute to those men and women who could see—even in the seven-