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Statement by Press Secretary Fitzwater on the Decisions of Railway Labor Dispute Arbitrators

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On July 30 and 31, 1992, the President received for his review the decisions of the arbitrators in three of the four remaining railway labor disputes that led to the nationwide shutdown of the Nation's railroads in late June. These decisions were rendered pursuant to the arbitration process the Congress established in legislation for resolving the disputes. The decisions become final and binding upon the parties unless the President disapproves them within 3 days following their receipt.

The President has decided that he will

not disapprove any of the three decisions. The decisions submitted to the President were rendered in the arbitration of the dispute between the International Association of Machinists and the National Railway Carriers' Conference, the arbitration of the dispute between the International Association of Machinists and Amtrak, and the arbitration of the dispute between the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Amtrak.

The President is grateful to the arbitrators for their work in resolving these disputes.

Statement on Publication of Rules Allowing Parental Choice in Child Care

August 4, 1992

Today we are publishing rules that will allow parents to choose the kind of child care they believe is best for their children. Under these rules, parents receiving child care and development block grant funds will be able to decide what kind of child care their children receive, including care provided by relatives, neighbors, or church-based centers.

New grant programs now provide over \$1.1 billion a year in vouchers and child care assistance that did not exist when I took office. Just as importantly, the child care legislation I initiated has expanded the

earned income tax credit so that low-income working families receiving that help can decide how best to care for their children. Providing tax relief for low-income families who work is the best way to help these families end the cycle of poverty. Over the 5-year phase-in of the earned income tax credit expansion, low-income families will receive an additional \$18 billion in refundable tax credits.

These rules reflect my commitment that we should trust parents to make the best decisions for their children.

Nomination of Edward S. Walker To Be United States Deputy Representative to the United Nations

August 4, 1992

The President today announced his intention to nominate Edward S. Walker, of Maryland, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Coun-

selor, to be the Deputy Representative of the United States to the United Nations with the rank and status of Ambassador. He would succeed Alexander F. Watson.