

of the Act (8 U.S.C. 1159(b)) of aliens who have been granted asylum in the United States under section 208 of the Act (8 U.S.C. 1158), as this is justified by humanitarian concerns or is otherwise in the national interest.

In accordance with section 101(a)(42) of the Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(42)) and after appropriate consultation with the Congress, I also specify that, for FY 1993, the following persons may, if otherwise qualified, be considered refugees for the purpose of admission to the United States within their countries of nationality or habitual residence:

a. Persons in Vietnam.

b. Persons in Cuba, El Salvador, Guatemala, and Haiti.

c. Persons in the former Soviet Union.

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

GEORGE BUSH

cc: *The Secretary of State, The Attorney General, The Secretary of Health and Human Services*

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Nomination of Sean Charles O'Keefe To Be Secretary of the Navy *October 2, 1992*

The President today announced his intention to nominate Sean Charles O'Keefe, of Virginia, to be Secretary of the Navy. He would succeed H. Lawrence Garrett III.

Currently Mr. O'Keefe serves as the Acting Secretary of the Navy. Prior to this, he served as Comptroller and Chief Financial Officer of the Department of Defense, 1989–92. He has also served as minority counsel for the Senate Appropriations Committee, Defense Subcommittee, 1987–89; minority staff director for the Senate Approp-

riations Committee, Defense Subcommittee, 1986–87; majority professional staff member, Senate Appropriations Committee, Defense Subcommittee, 1981–85; and budget analyst with Naval Sea Systems at the Department of Defense, 1980–81.

Mr. O'Keefe graduated from Loyola University (B.A., 1977) and Syracuse University (M.P.A., 1978). He was born January 27, 1956. Mr. O'Keefe is married, has three children, and resides in Arlington, VA.

Statement by Press Secretary Fitzwater on the President's Telephone Conversation With Turkish Leaders on the Missile Accident

October 2, 1992

The President spoke today with President Turgut Özal and Prime Minister Suleyman Demirel of Turkey to express the intense sorrow and regret of the United States for the unfortunate and tragic accident involving ships of our two navies during the multinational NATO exercises in the Mediterranean. The President expressed profound

sympathy for the families of the victims and assured the Turkish leaders that a full and complete investigation of this tragic accident would be undertaken.

Note: On October 2, the U.S.S. "Saratoga" accidentally fired two missiles, hitting a Turkish destroyer and killing five of its crew.