

Nomination for Posts at the Agency for International Development *July 15, 1993*

The President today announced his intention to nominate Margaret Carpenter, Assistant Administrator for Asia and Douglas Stafford, Assistant Administrator for Food and Humanitarian Assistance at the Agency for International Development, U.S. International Development Cooperation Agency.

"With their dual experience in the field of foreign affairs and understanding of the good

global assistance can do, I am certain both Margaret and Doug will work hard to fulfill AID's mission of providing economic and humanitarian assistance to the developing world," the President said.

NOTE: Biographies of the nominees were made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

Nomination for Inspector General of the United States Information Agency *July 16, 1993*

The President today announced his intention to nominate attorney Marian Bennett as Inspector General at the United States Information Agency.

"I am pleased today to name Marian Bennett to this important post at USIA," the President said. "I am certain she will work hard to ensure

USIA is a tight-run operation up to the task of its mission to promote democracy and freedom abroad."

NOTE: A biography of the nominee was made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

Interview With WGEM Radio, Quincy, Illinois *July 17, 1993*

Disaster Assistance

Q. Good morning, Mr. President.

The President. Good morning.

Q. How are you, sir?

The President. I'm fine. As you know, I'm now on Air Force One, on my way to St. Louis to a meeting with the Governors of all the affected States and a number of Cabinet-level officials. I think we have about seven or eight going down today, as well as a number of Members of Congress who have jurisdiction over the committees that are writing the relief legislation.

I wanted to call you, because your radio station has done such a remarkable job of kind of coordinating the information and keeping people in touch and keeping them up in the middle of this. I really respect what you've done, and I appreciate it very much.

Q. Mr. President, this is Steve Cramblit. The people that have really done the work are the people who have been at the levees slinging the sandbags on the Mississippi River water out of their homes and out of their agricultural lands. They're really the heroes in all of this.

The President. Yes, I've seen a lot of them working, as you know, on my two previous trips. It's been an amazing effort. And of course we're not out of the woods yet. I know you lost a dam there last night, and a lot of people on the other side of the river had to evacuate. And then the county down from that, Pike County, I think the name of it is, is really concerned. So we've got a few anxious days left to go.

Q. Mr. President, this is Jeff Dorsey with you now, and I was down in the Pike County area yesterday. Are there any words that you can give them, something to pick up their spirits