

*The President.* I can't wait to come. Thank you.

NOTE: The interview began at 3:10 p.m. in the Cabinet Room at the White House. The interviewers were Giuseppe Lugato, RAI Television, and Silvia Kramar, RTI Television.

## Letter Accepting the Resignation of David Watkins as Assistant to the President for Management and Administration *May 27, 1994*

*Dear David:*

I write to accept your resignation and to say that I understand your reasons for submitting it.

At the same time, it should be stated that you undertook your assignment as Assistant to the President for Management and Administration with great vigor and effectiveness. During your tenure, we changed and upgraded the technology upon which this White House depends and future White Houses will depend; from telephones to computers, you brought us into the modern age. Moreover, you opened this house—the people's house—literally to thousands more visitors than had ever been wel-

comed here in White House history. For these, and many other accomplishments large and small, you deserve great credit.

Hillary and I will never forget the loyal friendship you and Ilene have given to us over the years.

Sincerely,

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NOTE: A letter of resignation from David Watkins to the President and a letter from Chief of Staff Thomas F. (Mack) McLarty to Mr. Watkins were also made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

## Statement on the Whale Sanctuary Agreement *May 27, 1994*

We are pleased that we were able to get so many other countries to agree to a sanctuary. The United States will continue to exercise leadership in seeking international agreement on the conservation of whales.

NOTE: This statement was included in a statement by the Press Secretary on the International Whaling Commission agreement to create a sanctuary for whales.

## The President's Radio Address *May 28, 1994*

Good morning. Next week, many millions of Americans, indeed people all across the world, will focus on the beaches of Normandy, France, for the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of D-Day. I'll be leaving for Europe in the next few days to represent our people at the ceremonies honoring the sacrifices of those who

fought in World War II. D-Day, June 6, 1944, saw the single greatest mobilization of any fighting force in human history. It was the turning point of World War II and in many respects a turning point of the 20th century. It was the beginning of the end of Nazi tyranny and a