

Appendix A—Digest of Other White House Announcements

The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this book.

July 2

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Chicago, IL. In the evening, he returned to Washington, DC, arriving after midnight.

The White House announced that the President invited Prime Minister Goran Persson of Sweden to Washington, DC, for a working visit August 6.

July 3

The President declared a major disaster in Indiana and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding April 28–May 25.

July 4

In the morning, the President traveled to Patuxent River Naval Air Station, MD. Later, he traveled to Youngstown, OH.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC.

July 7

In the afternoon in the Map Room, the President provided a videotaped deposition for the ongoing trial of Herby Branscum, Jr., and Robert M. Hill in Little Rock, AR.

July 9

In the morning, the President met with Deputy Foreign Minister Georgy Mamedov of Russia in the Oval Office.

The President announced his intention to appoint Beverly Fisher White to the Advisory Committee of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

The President announced his intention to nominate Brig. Gen. Robert Bernard Flowers to be a member and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers representative on the Mississippi River Commission.

July 10

In the morning, the President traveled to Charlotte, NC. In the evening, he returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced that he sent fiscal year 1997 budget amendments to the Congress.

July 11

The President declared a major disaster in the U.S. Virgin Islands and ordered Federal aid to supplement

territory and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Hurricane Bertha July 8–9.

July 12

The President announced his intention to nominate Nils J. Diaz and Edward McGaffigan, Jr., to be members of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

July 13

In the afternoon, the President and Hillary Clinton went to Camp David, MD.

July 15

In the evening, the President and Hillary Clinton returned to the White House from Camp David, MD.

July 17

The President named Barry J. Toiv as Deputy Press Secretary to the President, effective July 29.

The President announced that he sent fiscal year 1997 budget amendments to the Congress.

July 18

In the afternoon, the President held a Cabinet meeting in the Cabinet Room.

The President had telephone conversations concerning the aircraft tragedy in East Moriches, NY, with Mayors Rudolph Giuliani of New York City and John Dorin of Montoursville, PA; Gov. George Pataki of New York; Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich; House minority leader Richard A. Gephardt; Senate majority leader Trent Lott; Senate minority leader Thomas A. Daschle; former Senator Bob Dole; and Jeffrey H. Erickson, president and chief executive officer of Trans World Airlines.

The President also had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu of Israel, who offered condolences on the aircraft tragedy and his government's assistance in the rescue efforts.

The White House announced that the President appointed Robert E. Peterson to be Chairman and Scott E. Buchheit and Gladys Gershenfeld to be members of Presidential Emergency Board No. 231.

The President declared a major disaster in North Carolina and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Hurricane Bertha July 10–13.

July 19

In the morning, the President and Hillary and Chelsea Clinton traveled to Atlanta, GA. Later, the President toured the cafeteria and dining area of the Olympic Village and greeted athletes.

In the evening, the President and Hillary and Chelsea Clinton attended the opening ceremony of the centennial Olympic games. The President and Hillary Clinton returned to Washington, DC, after midnight.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jon P. Deveau to the National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board.

The President announced his intention to nominate Susan Ford Wiltshire to the National Council on the Humanities.

The President announced his intention to nominate Michael A. Naranjo to the Board of Trustees of the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as Chair and members of the National Bioethics Advisory Commission:

Harold T. Shapiro (Chair);
Patricia Backlar;
Arturo Brito;
Alexander M. Capron;
Eric J. Cassell;
R. Alta Charo;
James Childress;
David Cox;
Ezekiel J. Emanuel;
Laurie M. Flynn;
Steven H. Holtzman;
Bernard Lo;
Lawrence H. Miike;
Thomas H. Murray; and
Diane Scott-Jones.

July 21

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Denver, CO.

In the evening, at a private residence, the President attended an "At the Table" meeting concerning women's issues. He later attended a Democratic National Committee dinner at a private residence. The President then traveled to Englewood, CO, where he attended a Democratic National Committee reception and dinner at a private residence. Later, he returned to Denver.

July 22

In the morning, the President traveled to Los Angeles, CA. In the afternoon, he traveled to Monrovia, Santa Monica, and Beverly Hills, CA.

In the evening, the President attended a Democratic National Committee dinner at the Beverly Hilton Hotel. Later, he attended a Democratic National Committee dinner at a private residence in Brentwood, CA. He then returned to Los Angeles.

July 23

In the morning, the President traveled to Sacramento, CA. In the afternoon, he attended a Democratic National Committee luncheon at a private residence. He then traveled to San Francisco, CA.

In the evening, the President attended a Democratic National Committee reception at a private residence.

The President declared a major disaster in Michigan and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding June 21–July 1.

The White House announced that the President will increase his 1997 budget request for State AIDS drug assistance programs by \$65 million.

July 24

In the morning, the President returned to Washington, DC. In the afternoon, he met with Executive Deputy President Thabo Mbeki of South Africa in the Oval Office.

The President announced his intention to appoint Douglas A. Horne to the Advisory Committee on the Arts of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

The President announced his intention to nominate Letitia Chambers to the Board of Trustees of the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development.

The President accorded the personal rank of Ambassador to Jacques Paul Klein in his capacity as the United Nations Transitional Administrator for Eastern Slavonia.

July 25

In the morning, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled to Jamaica, NY.

In the afternoon, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled to Atlanta, GA, where they attended events at the centennial Olympic games. Later, they returned to Washington, DC, arriving after midnight.

The President announced his intention to nominate Anthony R. Sarmiento to the National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board.

The President declared a major disaster in Illinois and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding beginning July 17 and continuing.

The White House announced that the President dispatched Special Envoy for Burundi Peace Negotiations Howard Wolpe to the region for urgent consultations.

July 26

In the afternoon, the President addressed the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations in Room 450 of the Old Executive Office Building.

The White House announced that the President denied the application by Jonathan Pollard for executive clemency.

The President declared a major disaster in Pennsylvania and ordered Federal aid to supplement Commonwealth and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms, flooding, and tornadoes July 19.

The President announced his intention to nominate the following individuals to be members of the National Science Board:

John A. Armstrong;
M.R.C. Greenwood;
Stanley Vincent Jaskolski;
Vera C. Rubin; and
Bob H. Suzuki.

July 27

In the morning, the President participated in a conference call concerning the bombing in Centennial Olympic Park, Atlanta, GA, with Federal Bureau of Investigation Director Louis J. Freeh and Special Agent in Charge Woody Johnson; Attorney General Janet Reno; and Deputy Attorney General Jamie S. Gorelick. He then participated in a second conference call with Gov. Zell Miller of Georgia; Mayor Bill Campbell of Atlanta; William P. Payne, president, Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games; and Juan Antonio Samaranch, president, International Olympic Committee. Later, he had telephone conversations on the bombing with Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich and Senate minority leader Thomas A. Daschle.

In the afternoon, the President and Hillary Clinton went to Camp David, MD.

July 28

In the morning, the President and Hillary Clinton returned to Andrews Air Force Base, MD. The President then traveled to New Orleans, LA.

In the afternoon, the President met with the families of slain New Orleans police officers. Later, he attended a private political reception at the New Orleans Riverside Hilton Hotel. He then returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the evening.

July 29

In an afternoon ceremony in the Oval Office, the President received diplomatic credentials from Ambassadors Denis Antoine of Grenada; Lionel Alexander Hurst of Antigua and Barbuda; Mohammed Aly Thiam of Guinea; Marcos Namashulua of Mozambique; Ramtane Lamamra of Algeria; Bilal Ould Werzeg of Mauritania; Chitmansing Jesseramsing of Mauritius; Tom Eric Vraalsen of Norway; Chan Heng Chee of Singapore; Arlington Griffith Butler of the Bahamas; and Alhaji Hassan Adamu of Nigeria.

In the evening, the President attended Democratic National Committee dinners at the Sheraton Carlton Hotel and the Jefferson Hotel.

The White House announced that the President signed legislation on traumatic brain injury studies.

July 30

In the afternoon, the President had a working lunch with President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt in the Old Family Dining Room.

In the evening, the President attended a reception for Arkansas senatorial candidate Winston Bryant at

the Hay Adams Hotel. He then attended Democratic National Committee dinners at the Sheraton Carlton Hotel and the Jefferson Hotel.

July 31

The President announced his intention to appoint Doris Eggers Huseboe and Ann McKay Thompson to the Advisory Committee on the Arts of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

The White House announced that the President invited President Franjo Tudjman of Croatia for a working visit in Washington, DC, August 2.

The President authorized an increase in Federal funding to the U.S. Virgin Islands for disaster recovery costs incurred from Hurricane Bertha July 8–9.

August 1

The President announced his intention to nominate Arthur I. Blaustein to the National Council on the Humanities.

The President announced his intention to nominate Ida L. Castro to be Director of the Women's Bureau at the Department of Labor.

The President announced his intention to nominate Donna H. Cunnigham to be Chief Financial Officer of the Corporation for National and Community Service.

The President announced his intention to nominate Regina Keeney to serve on the Federal Communications Commission.

The President announced his intention to nominate Rose M. Ochi to be Director of the Community Relations Service at the Department of Justice.

The President announced his intention to nominate Kevin L. Thurm as Deputy Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services.

In the evening, the President attended Democratic National Committee dinners at the Jefferson Hotel and the Sheraton Carlton Hotel.

August 2

In the morning, the President met with President Franjo Tudjman of Croatia in the Oval Office.

The President announced his intention to nominate Ernestine P. Watlington to the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation.

The President announced his intention to nominate Mary K. Gaillard, Eamon M. Kelly, and Richard A. Tapia to be members of the National Science Board.

The President declared a major disaster in Wisconsin and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by tornadoes, severe storms, and flooding July 17–22.

August 5

The President announced the designation of Marcia E. Miller as Chair and Lynn Munroe Bragg as Vice Chair of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

The President announced the nomination of Susan G. Esserman to be General Counsel at the Department of Commerce.

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The President announced the nomination of Niranjan S. Shah to the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Building Sciences.

August 6

In the morning, the President met with Prime Minister Goran Persson of Sweden in the Oval Office.

The White House announced that the President signed legislation providing \$12 million to help investigate and solve church arson.

August 7

In the morning, the President met with members of the Club Des Chefs Des Chefs in the Diplomatic Reception Room.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to San Jose, CA. In the evening, he attended a Democratic National Committee dinner at a private residence.

The President announced his intention to nominate Chaskel O. Besser to the Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad.

The White House announced that the President ratified the Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 Relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks.

August 8

In the morning, the President traveled to Salinas, CA, and in the afternoon, he traveled to Los Angeles, CA.

In the evening, the President attended a Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee dinner at a private residence. He then traveled to Santa Monica, CA.

The President announced that Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala will appoint Judith A. Billings and Michael T. Isbell to the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS.

August 9

In the early afternoon, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled from Los Angeles, CA, to Jackson Hole, WY, for a vacation.

August 10

The President announced the recess appointment of Wyche Fowler, Jr., as Ambassador to Saudi Arabia.

August 12

In the morning, the President and Hillary and Chelsea Clinton traveled from Jackson Hole, WY, to Yellowstone National Park. In the afternoon, they took a hiking tour of the park. In the evening, they returned to Jackson Hole.

August 13

The President announced his intention to appoint Allan S. Huston to the National Commission on Crime Control and Prevention.

August 14

The President declared a major disaster in West Virginia and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by heavy rains, high wind, flooding, and slides July 18–31.

August 15

The President announced his intention to appoint Leslie L. Byrne to be Director of the Office of Consumer Affairs at the Department of Health and Human Services.

The President announced that Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala will appoint Ronald S. Johnson to the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS.

The President announced his intention to appoint Philip Lader to be a member of the Board of Governors of the American National Red Cross.

August 17

In the afternoon, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled from Jackson Hole, WY, to Idaho Falls, ID. Later, they returned to Washington, DC.

August 18

In the afternoon, the President and Hillary and Chelsea Clinton traveled to New York City. While en route aboard Air Force One, the President had a telephone conversation with Brig. Gen. Larry Northington, USAF, Commander of Dyess Air Force Base, TX, concerning the crash of an Air Force transport plane in Jackson, WY.

August 19

In the morning, the President and Hillary and Chelsea Clinton traveled to Jackson, TN. In the afternoon, they traveled to Humboldt and Fruitland, TN. In the evening, they returned to Washington, DC.

August 20

In the afternoon, the President participated in a teleconference from the Oval Office with chief executive officers of technology companies in California.

August 21

In the evening, the President attended Democratic National Committee dinners at the Mayflower Hotel and the Jefferson Hotel.

The President declared a major disaster in Iowa and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding June 15–30.

August 22

The President announced his intention to appoint Harriett M. Wieder to the Commission on United States-Pacific Trade and Investment Policy.

August 25

In the morning, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled to Huntington, WV. In the afternoon, the President began a 4-day campaign tour aboard the

21st Century Express train and traveled to Ashland, KY. In the evening, he traveled to Chillicothe and Columbus, OH.

August 26

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Arlington, OH. In the evening, he traveled to Bowling Green and Toledo, OH.

August 27

In the morning, the President traveled to Wyandotte, MI. In the afternoon, he traveled to Royal Oak, and in the evening, to East Lansing, MI.

August 28

In the morning, the President traveled to Battle Creek, MI. In the afternoon, he traveled to Kalamazoo, MI, and in the evening, to Michigan City, IN, and Chicago, IL.

August 29

The White House announced that the President notified the Congress that he will make available appropriations totaling \$51.2 million in budget authority for the Department of the Interior for firefighting efforts on public lands in Western States.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the White House Commission on Aviation Safety and Security:

Antonia Handler Chayes;
Jesse Lee (Jack) Beuchamp;
Lt. Gen. James A. Abrahamson (Ret.);
Carl W. Vogt;
Brian Michael Jenkins;
Kathleen Flynn;
George H. Williams;
Bradford W. Parkinson;
Jack Lew;
Laura D'Andrea Tyson; and
Ray Kelly.

August 30

In the morning, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled from Chicago, IL, to Cape Girardeau, MO. In the afternoon, they began a weekend campaign bus tour and traveled to Cairo, IL, arriving in the early evening. Later, they traveled to Paducah, KY.

The President announced the appointment of John E. Higgins, Jr., as a member of the National Labor Relations Board. Mr. Higgins will serve as a recess appointee.

The President announced the appointment of Kevin L. Thurm as Deputy Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services. Mr. Thurm will serve as a recess appointee.

The President appointed Heidi Schulman to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting. Ms. Schulman will serve as a recess appointee.

August 31

In the morning, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled from Paducah, KY, to Troy and Dyersburg, TN. In the afternoon, they traveled to Covington, TN.

In the evening, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled to Memphis, TN, ending a weekend campaign bus tour. Later, they traveled to Little Rock, AR.

September 1

In the morning, the President had separate telephone conversations concerning the situation in northern Iraq with Prime Minister John Major of the United Kingdom, King Fahd of Saudi Arabia, King Hussein I of Jordan, President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt, and President Jacques Chirac of France.

September 2

In the morning, the President attended a breakfast with members of the National Baptist Association of America at the Excelsior Hotel in Little Rock, AR. Later, he traveled to Green Bay and De Pere, WI.

In the afternoon, while in De Pere, the President had a telephone conversation with President Jacques Chirac of France concerning the situation in northern Iraq. Later in the afternoon, the President returned to Green Bay, where he visited the Green Bay Packers football team at Lambeau Field. He then traveled to Milwaukee, WI.

In the evening, the President returned to Washington, DC.

Both upon his arrival in Milwaukee, WI, and while en route to Washington, DC, the President had telephone conversations with Chief of Staff Leon E. Panetta and National Security Adviser Anthony Lake concerning the situation in northern Iraq.

September 3

In the morning, the President had telephone conversations with Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich, Senate majority leader Trent Lott, Senate minority leader Thomas A. Daschle, House minority leader Richard A. Gephardt, and Republican Presidential nominee Bob Dole concerning the situation in northern Iraq.

The President announced the reappointment of Mary Lucille Jordan as Chair and member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission. Ms. Jordan will serve as a recess appointee.

September 4

In the morning, the President was treated by Bethesda Naval Hospital dermatologists who performed a simple outpatient procedure in the White House.

In the evening, the President attended a reception for Representative Tim Johnson at the Hay Adams Hotel.

September 5

In the morning, the President traveled to Tampa, FL. In the afternoon, he traveled to Miami and Bal Harbour, FL.

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In the evening, the President attended a Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee reception at the Sheraton Bal Harbour Hotel. Later, he traveled to Orlando, FL.

The President announced that he will award the Presidential Medal of Freedom at a White House ceremony on September 9 to the following individuals:

Joseph Cardinal Bernardin;
James S. Brady;
Millard Fuller;
David Hamburg;
John H. Johnson;
Eugene Lang;
Jan Nowak-Jezioranski;
Antonia Pantoja;
Rosa Parks;
Ginetta Sagan; and
Morris Udall.

September 6

In the afternoon, the President attended a Democratic National Committee and Florida Democratic Party reception and luncheon at Church Street Station in Orlando. Later, he traveled to Panama City, FL.

In the evening, the President returned to Washington, DC.

The President declared a major disaster in North Carolina and ordered Federal aid to supplement recovery efforts in the areas struck by Hurricane Fran beginning September 5 and continuing. The President also instructed Federal Emergency Management Agency Director James Lee Witt and a team of senior administration officials to travel to the region to assess damage and to ensure that all necessary Federal aid begins to flow to the region immediately.

The President declared a major disaster in Virginia and ordered Federal aid to supplement recovery efforts in the area struck by Hurricane Fran and associated severe storm conditions, including high winds, tornadoes, wind-driven rain, and river and flash flooding, beginning September 5 and continuing.

The President announced his intention to nominate Alan H. Flanigan to be Deputy Director for Supply Reduction at the Office of National Drug Control Policy.

September 9

The President announced his intention to appoint Gary W. Divine to the National Partnership Council.

The President also announced his intention to appoint Mr. Divine to the Federal Salary Council.

September 10

In the morning, the President traveled to Kansas City, MO. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had a telephone conversation with Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Germany.

In the afternoon, the President attended a Democratic National Committee luncheon and reception at the Westin Crowne Centre Hotel in Kansas City. Fol-

lowing the reception, he traveled to St. Louis, MO. In the evening, he traveled to Pueblo, CO.

September 11

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Sun City, AZ. In the evening, he traveled to Mountain View, CA, where he attended a Democratic National Committee dinner at a private residence. He then traveled to Fresno, CA.

The President declared a major disaster in West Virginia and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Hurricane Fran and associated heavy rain, high wind, flooding, and slides September 5–8.

The President declared a major disaster in Puerto Rico and ordered Federal aid to supplement Commonwealth and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Hurricane Hortense beginning September 9 and continuing.

The President announced his intention to nominate Robert S. LaRussa to be Assistant Secretary for Import Administration at the Department of Commerce.

The President announced his intention to appoint Walker Lee Evey to the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

September 12

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Rancho Cucamonga, CA, and then to Santa Monica, CA.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jeffrey A. Frankel to be a member of the White House Council of Economic Advisers.

The President announced his intention to nominate Charles Gueli to the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Building Sciences.

The President announced his intention to appoint Raynard C. Soon to be a member of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

The President announced his intention to appoint Ada Demb, Walter Falcon, and Goro Uehara as members of the Board for International Food and Agricultural Development.

The President announced his intention to appoint Kenneth J. Arrow, Elsa Garmire, and Joan Argetsinger Steitz to the President's Committee on the National Medal of Science.

The President asked the Congress to provide \$400 million in emergency funds to fight forest fires in Western States and made available \$50 million for the temporary housing of flood victims in various States.

The White House announced that the President announced that Ambassador Richard Holbrooke will lead the Presidential delegation to Bosnia to observe the September 14 elections.

September 13

In the morning, the President and Hillary Clinton returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to appoint Adm. Stansfield Turner (Ret.) as a member of the U.S. Naval Academy Board of Visitors.

The President announced his intention to appoint George Newton as member and Chair and Edward Lee Gorsuch II, James A. Palmer, and John Eyres Hobbie as members of the Arctic Research Commission.

The President declared a major disaster in Pennsylvania and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by flooding associated with Tropical Depression Fran September 6–8.

September 14

In the morning, the President traveled to Raleigh, NC. In the afternoon, he returned to Washington, DC.

In the evening, the President presented the Presidential Medal of Freedom to Rosa Parks in the Oval Office. Later, he attended two Democratic National Committee receptions at the Mayflower Hotel.

September 15

In the morning, the President traveled to Des Moines, IA. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had a telephone conversation with President Boris Yeltsin of Russia to wish Mr. Yeltsin well in his upcoming heart surgery.

In the afternoon, the President attended a reception at a private residence in Norwalk, IA, and then traveled to Indianola, IA. In the evening, he returned to Washington, DC.

September 16

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Cincinnati, OH. In the evening, he returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to appoint Phillip A. Sharp to the National Cancer Advisory Board.

The President announced his intention to nominate Lorraine Weiss Frank to the National Council on the Humanities.

The President announced his intention to appoint Steven Alan Bennett to the Board of Trustees of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.

The President announced the appointment of Shirley M. Hufstедler as Chair of the Commission on Immigration Reform.

The President announced his intention to nominate Karen Shepherd to be U.S. Executive Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

The President announced his intention to nominate Ronald Kent Burton and D. Michael Rappoport to be members of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation.

The President announced his intention to nominate Rhetaugh Graves Dumas and Bette O. Kramer to

be members of the National Bioethics Advisory Commission.

The President announced his intention to nominate Richard W. Bogosian for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Special Coordinator for Rwanda and Burundi.

The White House announced that the President will address the 51st Session of the United Nations General Assembly in New York City on September 24.

September 17

In the morning, the President met with Members of Congress in the State Dining Room of the White House to discuss recent events regarding Iraq. Later, he traveled to Ypsilanti, MI, where he toured the William D. Ford Career Technical Center. He then traveled to Westland, MI.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Flossmoor, IL. While en route aboard Air Force One, he was interviewed by Barbara Walters of the ABC television news program “20/20.”

The President declared a major disaster in Maryland and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding associated with Tropical Storm Fran September 6–9.

The President announced his intention to nominate Lane Kirkland to the Board of Directors of the U.S. Institute of Peace.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals to the Board of Trustees of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts:

James A. Johnson;
Ronald I. Dozoretz;
Ann Dibble Jordan;
Cappy R. McGarr;
Miles L. Rubin; and
James D. Wolfensohn.

September 18

In the morning, the President traveled to Grand Canyon National Park, AZ.

In the evening, the President traveled to Seattle, WA. Later, he attended a Democratic National Committee dinner at the Columbia Tower Club.

The President announced his intention to nominate Richard J. Tarplin to be Assistant Secretary for Legislation at the Department of Health and Human Services.

The President announced his intention to appoint Joseph M. Hauer to the Advisory Committee on the Arts of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

September 19

In the morning, the President and Hillary Clinton began a 2-day campaign bus tour and traveled from Seattle to Tacoma, WA. In the afternoon, they traveled to Centralia and Longview, WA.

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In the evening, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled to Portland, OR. Later, they attended a Democratic National Committee gala and reception at the Portland Hilton Hotel.

The President congratulated the 67 public institutions which were the 1996 winners of the Department of Commerce's Telecommunications and Information Infrastructure Assistance Program grants.

The President announced his intention to appoint Melvin E. Clark, Jr., and Kathleen Elizabeth Willey as members of the United Service Organization, Inc., Board of Governors.

The President announced his intention to appoint Judy Jolley Mohraz as a member of the U.S. Naval Academy Board of Visitors.

The White House announced that the President will visit Australia November 19–23, attend the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation leaders meeting to be hosted by President Fidel Ramos of the Philippines at Subic Bay on November 24–25, and then pay a state visit to Thailand on November 26.

The White House announced that the President announced a new national space policy, the first post-cold-war assessment of American goals and activities in space.

September 20

In the afternoon, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled to Sioux Falls, SD. In the evening, they returned to Washington, DC, arriving after midnight.

September 21

In the evening, the President attended Democratic National Committee dinners at the Hay Adams Hotel and the Sheraton Carlton Hotel.

September 24

In the morning, the President traveled to New York City. Later, he met separately with United Nations Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali and U.N. General Assembly President Razali bin Ismail in Room GA–200 of the United Nations Building.

In the afternoon, the President met separately with Foreign Minister Saud al-Faysal of Saudi Arabia and Foreign Minister Yevgeniy Primakov of Russia in the 12th floor conference room of the United Nations Building. Later, he traveled to Freehold Borough, NJ.

In the evening, the President returned to Washington, DC.

The President named the following individuals and institutions as recipients of the first Presidential Awards for Excellence in Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Mentoring:

Martha G. Absher;
Howard G. Adams;
Diola Bagayoko;
Joaquin Bustoz;
Carlos G. Gutierrez;
Janet S. Herman;
Susan J.S. Lasser;

Melvin B. Robin;
Walter S. Smith;
Richard A. Tapia;
Columbia University Double Discovery Center;
Dartmouth College Women in Science Project;
National Action Council for Minorities in Engineering, Inc.;
New Mexico MESA, Inc.;
Oregon Graduate Institute of Science & Technology
Saturday Academy Program; and
University of Maryland Baltimore County.

September 25

In the morning, the President traveled to Pittsburgh, PA. In the afternoon, he traveled to Philadelphia, PA.

In the evening, the President attended a Democratic National Committee dinner at the Locust Club in Philadelphia. Later, he returned to Washington, DC.

September 26

In the evening, the President attended a Democratic National Committee African American Leadership Council dinner in the Crystal Ballroom of the Sheraton Carlton Hotel.

The President announced the nomination of Kelly D. Johnston to be a member of the Federal Election Commission.

September 27

In the morning, the President traveled to Longview and Fort Worth, TX. In the afternoon, he traveled to Houston, TX.

In the evening, the President attended a Democratic National Committee reception at a private residence in Houston.

The President announced his intention to appoint Dr. Robert Schrieffer to the President's Committee on the National Medal of Science.

September 28

In the morning, the President traveled to Providence, RI, arriving in the afternoon. Later, he made a conference call from the Westin Hotel to African Americans for Clinton/Gore '96. He then attended a Democratic National Committee reception for Representative Jack Reed at the Westin Hotel.

In the evening, the President traveled to Fall River and Boston, MA. Later, he attended a Democratic National Committee reception and dinner at the Meridian Hotel in Boston. After midnight, the President returned to Washington, DC.

September 29

In the morning, the President had telephone conversations with Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich, Senate majority leader Trent Lott, House minority leader Richard A. Gephardt, and Senate minority leader Thomas A. Daschle concerning his effort to arrange a Middle East summit at the White House.

In the afternoon, the President had telephone conversations with Chairman Yasser Arafat of the Palestinian Authority, Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu of Israel, President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt, and King Hussein I of Jordan inviting them to a Middle East summit at the White House.

September 30

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt concerning the situation in the Middle East and Mr. Mubarak's inability to attend a Middle East summit at the White House.

The President announced his intention to nominate Letitia Chambers to be a Representative and James C. Hornel and Prezell R. Robinson to be Alternate Representatives to the 51st Session of the United Nations General Assembly.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jane Lubchenco to the National Science Board, National Science Foundation.

The President declared a major disaster in South Carolina and ordered Federal aid to supplement recovery efforts in the areas struck by severe winds and flooding associated with Hurricane Fran September 4 and continuing.

October 1

The President announced his intention to nominate Judith Espinosa to be a member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation.

The President announced the nomination of William W. Ginsberg to be Assistant Secretary for Market Access and Compliance at the Department of Commerce.

The President announced his intention to appoint Marilyn Golden to the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board.

October 2

The President announced his intention to nominate Daniel R. Stanley to the Postal Rate Commission.

The President announced his intention to nominate George W. Black, Jr., to be a member of the National Transportation Safety Board.

October 3

In the morning, the President traveled to Buffalo, NY. In the afternoon, he traveled to Chautauqua, NY.

The President announced his intention to appoint Karen T. Scates to the Advisory Committee on the Arts of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

The President announced his intention to appoint Rear Adm. R.M. Mitchell, Jr., to the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

The White House announced that the President signed legislation on October 2 to expand duty-free treatment of products imported from the West Bank

and Gaza Strip and help spur economic development throughout the region.

October 6

In the morning, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled from Chautauqua, NY, to Hartford, CT.

October 7

In the morning, the President traveled to Stamford, CT. In the afternoon, he traveled to Manchester, NH. In the evening, the President traveled to Portland, ME. He then returned to Washington, DC, arriving after midnight.

October 9

In an evening ceremony in the Oval Office, the President received diplomatic credentials from Ambassadors U Tin Winn of Burma; Veiccooh Nghiwete of Namibia; Antonio de Oyarzabal of Spain; Edith Ssempala of Uganda; Eliahu Ben-Elissar of Israel; Sadik Safaev of Uzbekistan; Eduardo Morgan Gonzalez of Panama; Rufino Mendes of Guinea-Bissau; James Murphy of Belize; and John Ernest Leigh of Sierra Leone.

Later in the evening, the President attended a reception for Arkansas congressional candidate Marion Berry at a private residence in Rosslyn, VA.

October 10

In the morning, the President traveled to Knoxville, TN. In the afternoon, he traveled to Dayton, OH. In the evening, the President traveled to Louisville, KY. He then returned to Washington, DC, arriving after midnight.

The President announced his intention to designate Nicolas P. Retsinas as Acting Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision, Department of the Treasury.

October 11

The White House announced that the President will meet with Prime Minister Rafiq al-Hariri of Lebanon at the White House on October 18.

October 12

In the morning, the President traveled to Denver and Morrison, CO. In the afternoon, he traveled to Englewood, CO.

October 13

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Albuquerque, NM.

October 15

The President declared a major disaster in Florida and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by storm surge, heavy rains, and wind damage associated with Tropical Storm Josephine October 7 and continuing.

October 16

In the morning, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled to San Diego, CA.

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The President announced his intention to appoint Donald J. Barry as U.S. Federal Representative to the Great Lakes Fisheries Commission.

The President announced the following recipients of the 1996 Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Awards:

Dana Commercial Credit Corporation;
ADAC Laboratories;
Custom Research, Inc.; and
Trident Precision Manufacturing, Inc.

October 17

In the morning, the President traveled to Santa Ana, CA. In the afternoon, he traveled to Los Angeles, CA. In the evening, the President returned to Washington, DC, arriving early the next morning.

October 18

The President announced the recess appointment of Donna H. Cunningham to be Chief Financial Officer of the Corporation for National and Community Service.

The President announced the recess appointment of Karen Shepherd to be U.S. Executive Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

The President announced his intention to appoint Jean A. Riezman to the Advisory Committee on the Arts of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

October 19

In the evening, the President attended a Democratic National Committee dinner at the Mayflower Hotel.

October 20

In the morning, the President traveled to Newark, NJ. In the afternoon, he traveled to Teaneck, NJ, and Tarrytown, NY.

In the evening, the President attended a Presidential Unity Fund reception and dinner at a private residence in Tarrytown. Later, he traveled to New York City, where he attended a Democratic National Committee reception at the Sheraton New York Hotel. The President then traveled to Cleveland, OH, arriving after midnight.

October 21

In the afternoon, the President attended an Ohio Coordinated Campaign luncheon at the Classics Restaurant in Cleveland. He then traveled to Detroit, MI.

In the evening, the President attended a Democratic National Committee reception for Senator Carl Levin and a dinner for the Michigan Coordinated Campaign at the Fox Theater.

October 22

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Miami, FL.

October 23

In the morning, the President attended a General Election Legal and Compliance Fund reception at the Biltmore Hotel in Miami. He then traveled to Daytona Beach, FL. In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC.

In the evening, the President attended a Presidential Unity Fund reception at a private residence in McLean, VA.

The President declared an emergency in Massachusetts and ordered Federal funds to supplement Commonwealth and local recovery efforts in the area struck by extreme weather conditions and flooding October 20 and continuing.

The President declared an emergency in California and ordered Federal funds to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe fires beginning October 21.

October 24

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with Leah Rabin, widow of slain Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel, to mark the first anniversary of the Prime Minister's death according to the Jewish lunar calendar. Later in the morning, the President traveled to Birmingham, AL. In the afternoon, he traveled to Lake Charles, LA. In the evening, the President traveled to New Orleans, LA.

The President announced his intention to nominate Dave Nolan Brown to the National Council on Disability.

The President declared an emergency in Maine and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms, heavy rains, high winds, and inland and coastal flooding October 20 and continuing.

October 25

In the morning, the President traveled to Atlanta, GA. In the evening, he traveled to Macon, GA. Later, the President returned to Washington, DC.

The President declared a major disaster in Massachusetts and ordered Federal aid to supplement Commonwealth and local recovery efforts in the areas struck by extreme weather conditions and flooding October 20 and continuing.

October 27

In the morning, the President had telephone conversations with Chairman Yasser Arafat of the Palestinian Authority and Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu of Israel concerning issues in the Middle East.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Springfield, VA. Later, he had a telephone conversation with New York Yankees manager Joe Torre to congratulate him on the team's victory in the World Series.

In the late afternoon, the President traveled to Nashville, TN. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had a telephone conversation with Atlanta Braves owner Ted Turner and manager Bobby Cox to con-

gratulate them on the team's performance during the 1996 season.

In the evening, the President traveled to St. Louis, MO.

October 28

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Minneapolis, MN. In the evening, he traveled to Chicago, IL. Later, the President traveled to Columbus, OH, arriving after midnight.

The President declared a major disaster in Maine and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms, heavy rains, high winds, and inland and coastal flooding beginning October 20 and continuing.

The White House announced that the President has designated Richard Schifter, Special Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs and Counselor, National Security Council, to serve also as Special Adviser to the President and the Secretary of State for the Southeast European Cooperative Initiative.

October 29

In the morning, the President traveled to Philadelphia, PA, arriving in the afternoon. Later, he returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to appoint Carol W. Greider to the National Bioethics Advisory Commission.

The President declared a major disaster in New Hampshire and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by the fall northeaster rainstorm October 20–23.

October 30

In the morning, the President attended a Democratic National Committee breakfast at the Sheraton Carlton Hotel.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Ypsilanti, MI. In the evening, he traveled to Denver, CO, and Phoenix, AZ, arriving in Phoenix after midnight.

The President announced his intention to appoint Bernard E. Anderson to the Overseas Private Investment Corporation Board of Directors.

October 31

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Las Vegas, NV, and Oakland, CA. In the evening, he traveled to Santa Barbara, CA.

November 1

In the afternoon, the President traveled to El Paso, TX, and Las Cruces, NM. In the evening, he traveled to San Antonio, TX.

November 2

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Little Rock, AR. In the evening, he traveled to New Orleans, LA. Later, the President traveled to Tampa, FL, arriving after midnight.

November 3

In the morning, the President traveled to West Palm Beach, FL. In the afternoon, he traveled to Union Township, NJ. While en route aboard Air Force One, the President had a telephone interview with Tom Joyner of ABC Radio.

In the evening, the President traveled to Springfield, MA, and Bangor, ME, arriving in Bangor after midnight.

November 4

In the early morning, the President traveled to Bedford, NH. Later, he traveled to Manchester, NH, where he attended an informal breakfast at the Merrimack Restaurant with a group of friends and volunteers from the 1992 campaign. The President then traveled to Cleveland, OH.

In the afternoon, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled to Lexington, KY. In the evening, they traveled to Cedar Rapids, IA; Sioux Falls, SD; and Little Rock, AR, arriving in Little Rock after midnight.

November 5

In the afternoon, the President and Hillary Clinton voted at Union Station Precinct 476E–676E in Little Rock. Later, they attended a luncheon at a private residence.

November 6

In the morning, the President and Hillary Clinton returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the afternoon.

November 8

In the afternoon, the President met with Cabinet members in the Cabinet Room. Later in the afternoon, he taped an interview with David Brinkley of ABC News for broadcast on "This Week With David Brinkley" November 10.

The White House announced that the President will host a European Union-U.S. summit December 16 at the White House.

November 11

In the morning, the President traveled to Arlington, VA. He returned to Washington, DC, in the afternoon.

November 12

In the afternoon, the President met with congressional leaders in the Oval Office to discuss bipartisan relations in the upcoming 105th Congress.

Later, the President had separate meetings with Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman, Energy Secretary Hazel R. O'Leary, Labor Secretary Robert B. Reich, and Transportation Secretary Federico Pena concerning the second term transition.

November 13

In the morning, the President had telephone conversations with the following foreign leaders: Prime Minister Jean Chretien of Canada concerning the situation in Zaire; President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt

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and King Hussein I of Jordan concerning the Middle East peace process; President Kim Yong-sam of South Korea concerning security issues on the Korean Peninsula; and President Fernando Cardoso of Brazil concerning the visit of Presidential Counselor Thomas F. (Mack) McLarty to follow up on Summit of the Americas agenda items.

The President announced the formation of the Presidential Inaugural Committee 1997 to organize the celebration of his inauguration to a second term. He also announced that Deputy Chief of Staff Harold Ickes will coordinate Inaugural activities from the White House. The following persons were named as vice chairs of the committee:

Ronald Burkle;
Linda Chavez-Thompson;
Lawton Chiles;
Beth Dozoretz;
Gordon D. Giffin;
Robert Johnson;
Ellen Malcolm;
Richard Leon Mays;
Carol Pensky;
Edward Rendell;
Ed Romero;
Fred Seigel;
Stanley Shuman;
Mary Elizabeth Teasley; and
Jonathan Tisch.

November 14

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu of Israel concerning the Middle East peace process. Later, the President had a telephone conversation with President Jacques Chirac of France concerning the situation in Zaire.

The President had meetings with Acting U.S. Trade Representative Charlene Barshefsky, Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala, and Education Secretary Richard Riley concerning the second term transition.

November 15

In the evening, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled to Honolulu, HI.

November 16

The President had a telephone conversation with President Nelson Mandela of South Africa concerning the situation in Zaire.

November 17

In the afternoon, the President had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister John Howard of Australia concerning reentry of the failed Russian Mars space probe with a predicted impact point in east-central Australia.

November 18

In the afternoon, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled from Honolulu, HI, to Sydney, Australia, arriving the following day.

The President declared an emergency in Hawaii and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area affected by severe storms and flooding November 5 and continuing.

November 19

The President announced his intention to appoint Marc D. Guthrie to the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board.

The President declared a major disaster in New Jersey and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area affected by severe storms and flooding October 18–23.

The President declared a major disaster in New York and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area affected by severe storms and flooding October 19–20.

The President declared an emergency in Rhode Island and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area affected by a water main break November 18.

November 20

In the morning, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled from Sydney to Canberra, Australia, where the President met with Governor General Sir William Deane of Australia in Government House, and then with Prime Minister John Howard in Parliament House.

In the afternoon, the President met with Member of Parliament and opposition leader Kim Beazley in Parliament House.

In the evening, the President and Hillary Clinton returned to Sydney, where they attended a dinner and harbor cruise aboard the *MV Aussie Legend*.

November 21

In the evening, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled to Port Douglas, Australia.

The White House announced that Lanny J. Davis will join the White House Counsel's office as Special Counsel, effective December 9, to serve as press spokesman on certain legal issues, including those relating to the Whitewater and Travel Office investigations and questions regarding 1996 campaign contributions.

The President declared an emergency in Puerto Rico and ordered Federal aid to supplement Commonwealth and local recovery efforts in the area affected by a gas leak explosion November 21.

The White House announced that the President invited President Eduardo Frei of Chile to the White House for a state visit February 26, 1997.

November 22

In the afternoon, the President and Hillary Clinton visited the Great Barrier Reef off the coast of Queens-

land, Australia. In the evening, they returned to Port Douglas.

November 23

In the evening, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled to Manila, Philippines.

November 24

In the morning, the President met with President Fidel V. Ramos of the Philippines at the Coconut Palace in Manila.

In the evening, at the Philippine International Convention Center, the President attended a meeting with the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) Business Advisory Council and an APEC dinner hosted by President Ramos, followed by an informal meeting of the APEC leaders.

The White House announced that the President and President Jiang Zemin of China have accepted each other's invitation for state visits to be made during 1997 and 1998 at a time and a sequence to be determined.

November 25

In the morning and afternoon, the President attended a series of meetings with APEC leaders at the APEC Conference Center.

In the evening, the President traveled to Bangkok, Thailand. Later, the President and Hillary Clinton visited Chitralada Palace and were received by King Phumiphon and Queen Sirikit of Thailand.

November 26

In the morning, the President met with incumbent Prime Minister Banhan Sinlapa-acha of Thailand at Boromabiman Palace. In the afternoon, he met with Prime Minister-elect Gen. Chavalit Yongchaiyudh at the U.S. Ambassador's residence.

Later, the President and Hillary Clinton visited the Temple of the Emerald Buddha, the Hall of Kings, and the Royal Library.

After midnight, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled to Anchorage, AK, crossing the international dateline and arriving in the evening Alaska time. Later, they returned to Washington, DC, arriving after midnight eastern standard time.

The President declared a major disaster in Hawaii and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by prolonged and heavy rains, high surf, flooding, landslides, mudslides, and severe storms beginning November 5 and continuing.

November 27

In the evening, the President and Hillary and Chelsea Clinton went to Camp David, MD, for the Thanksgiving holiday.

November 29

In the late morning, the President and Hillary and Chelsea Clinton returned to the White House. Later in the day, the President again went to Camp David.

December 1

In the afternoon, the President returned to the White House.

December 3

The President announced his intention to appoint Lt. Gen. Marc Anthony Cisneros, USA (Ret.), as a member of the U.S. Military Academy Board of Visitors.

The President announced that Secretary of Health and Human Services Donna E. Shalala will appoint Rabbi Joseph A. Edelheit to the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS.

The White House announced that the President will attend the annual Army-Navy football game in Philadelphia, PA, December 7.

December 5

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with President Boris Yeltsin of Russia concerning an agreement to meet in March 1997 and President Yeltsin's recovery from heart surgery.

Later, the President met separately with President Carlos Menem of Argentina in the Oval Office and then with President Menem and members of the Argentine Cabinet in the Cabinet Room.

December 6

In the afternoon, the President attended a Democratic National Committee luncheon for the Texas Democratic Party at the Sheraton Carlton Hotel.

December 7

In the morning, the President traveled to Philadelphia, PA, where he attended the Army-Navy football game at Veterans Stadium. In the afternoon, he returned to Washington, DC.

December 8

In the evening, the President and Hillary Clinton attended a gala in the Opera House at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

December 9

In the morning, the President met separately with Defense Minister Gen. Chi Haotian of China and with Crown Prince Sidi Mohamed of Morocco in the Oval Office. Later, he taped an interview with Brian Lamb of C-Span in the Map Room for broadcast December 15.

The President declared a major disaster in New York and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe thunderstorms, high winds, rain, and flooding November 8-15.

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December 11

In the morning, in the Oval Office, the President received the report of the President's Committee on Mental Retardation.

The White House announced that the President will visit marines and their families at Camp Lejeune, NC, December 23 to celebrate the holiday season and highlight the contributions and sacrifices made by America's Armed Forces and their families.

December 15

In the evening, the President and Hillary Clinton attended the "Christmas in Washington" production at the National Building Museum, which was taped for broadcast on NBC television December 18.

December 16

The President announced the 60 recipients of the first annual Presidential Early Career Awards for Scientists and Engineers.

December 17

The President announced that Carol H. Rasco will be Senior Adviser to the Secretary and Director of the America Reads Challenge at the Department of Education.

In the evening, the President had a teleconference with newly elected United Nations Secretary-General Kofi Annan and outgoing U.N. Ambassador Madeleine K. Albright concerning the future of the United Nations and Mr. Annan's acceptance speech before the U.N. General Assembly.

December 18

In the afternoon, the President met with a bipartisan group of mayors in the Roosevelt Room to discuss urban policy and the upcoming budgetary process.

December 19

In the morning, the President met with Minister Liu Huaquiu of China in the Oval Office.

The President announced his intention to appoint Kathleen Stevens Dougherty and Ruth E. Roitenberg to the Advisory Committee on the Arts of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

December 20

In the afternoon, the President met with former Senator Bob Dole in the Oval Office.

December 23

In the morning, the President traveled to Camp Lejeune, NC. In the evening, he returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jose-Marie Griffiths to the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science.

The President announced his intention to designate Robert (Tom) Marsh to serve as Chair of the President's Commission on Critical Infrastructure Protection and to appoint Samuel R. Berger and Jamie S. Gorelick as members of the Commission's steering committee.

The President declared a major disaster in Oregon and ordered Federal funds to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by flooding, land and mud slides, wind, and severe storms November 17–December 11.

The President declared a major disaster in Pennsylvania and ordered Federal funds to supplement Commonwealth and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe thunderstorms, high winds, rain, and flooding November 8–15.

December 24

In the evening, the President visited the Fashion Centre at Pentagon City mall in Arlington, VA, for some last-minute Christmas shopping. Later, he and Hillary Clinton attended Chelsea Clinton's performance in the Washington Ballet's annual holiday production of "The Nutcracker" at the Warner Theater.

December 30

In the morning, the President and Hillary and Chelsea Clinton traveled to Hilton Head, SC, where they participated in the annual Renaissance Weekend. In the evening, the President attended a dinner honoring Adm. Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr., USN (Ret.), at the Hilton Hotel.