

Department of the Interior's Bureau of Reclamation, the Army Corps of Engineers, and several other agencies, and provides funds to help protect the Nation's environment.

The executive branch shall construe sections 101 and 303 of the Act as calling for, but not mandating, consultation with the Congress as a precondition to the execution of a law, as is consistent with the Constitution's provisions concerning the

separate powers of the Congress to legislate and the President to execute the laws.

GEORGE W. BUSH

The White House,
November 19, 2005.

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Remarks Following a Church Service in Beijing, China November 20, 2005

The President. Pastor, Laura and I thank you very much for your hospitality. Our friend Luis Palau, from America, is here as well. And you gave a great sermon.

Pastor Ying Dufeng. Thank you.

The President. The spirit of the Lord is very strong inside your church. We thank you for carrying a message of love, like you did.

You know, it wasn't all that long ago that people were not allowed to worship openly in this society. My hope is that the Government of China will not fear the Christians who gather to worship openly.

A healthy society is a society that welcomes all faiths and gives people a chance to express themselves through worship with the Almighty. So we welcome—we really thank you for letting us come by, and we ask for God's blessings on you and your church.

Thank you.

NOTE: The President spoke at 8:22 a.m. at Gangwashi Protestant Church. In his remarks, he referred to Ying Dufeng, pastor, Gangwashi Protestant Church; and Luis Palau, founder, Luis Palau Association.

Remarks During an Expanded Meeting With President Hu Jintao of China in Beijing November 20, 2005

Thank you, Mr. President. First of all, thank you for arranging such beautiful weather; it's a beautiful day.

Secondly, thank you for the very frank and candid discussion we just had on a range of issues. China is an exciting country, and it's an important country. And this

visit is a chance for you and me to continue a very important relationship.

I invited the President to come to America as soon as he can. And I look forward to welcoming you, Mr. President, in our country, so we can continue our dialog on how to make our relations as open and