

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.

January 1

In the morning, the President traveled from the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX, to San Antonio, TX, where, at Brooke Army Medical Center, he visited wounded soldiers and their family members and presented Purple Heart medals to nine soldiers.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

January 2

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

January 3

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing and a briefing on the situation in Tallmansville, WV, where 13 coal miners were trapped underground in the I.C.G. Sago Run Mine following an accident. Later, in the Roosevelt Room, he met with the Homeland Security Council to discuss the USA PATRIOT Act.

Later in the morning, the President met with Lt. Gen. Keith W. Dayton, USA, U.S. security coordinator to Israel and the Palestinian Authority.

Also in the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with Gov. Joe Manchin III of West Virginia to discuss the situation in the Sago Run Mine.

In the afternoon, in the Private Dining Room, the President had lunch with Vice President Dick Cheney. Later, in the Oval Office, he met with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice.

January 4

In the morning the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Oval Office, he had a telephone conversation with Gov. Joe Manchin III of West Virginia to discuss the situation in the Sago Run Mine. He then traveled

to Arlington, VA, where, at the Pentagon, he participated in a briefing on the war on terror.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC. Later, he had a meeting and participated in a photo opportunity with White House Fellows.

The President announced his intention to nominate Patricia A. Butenis to be Ambassador to Bangladesh.

The President announced his intention to nominate Robert M. Couch to be President of the Government National Mortgage Association.

The President announced his intention to nominate John A. Simon to be Executive Vice President of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation.

The President announced his intention to appoint Robert J. Creighton as a member of the Medal of Valor Review Board (Emergency Services).

The President announced his intention to appoint Robert George Hayes as a member of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (Sport Fishing Representative).

The President announced his intention to appoint Randi Parks Thomas as a member of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (Commercial Fishing Representative).

The President announced his intention to appoint Howard H. Li as a member of the President's Advisory Commission on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders.

The President announced his intention to designate Myrna Blyth as chairman of the President's Commission on White House Fellowships.

The President announced the recess appointment of Floyd Hall and Enrique J. Sosa as members of the AMTRAK Reform Board.

The President announced the recess appointment of Nadine Hogan and Roger W. Wallace as members of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation (Private Representatives).

The President announced the recess appointment of Gordon England as Deputy Secretary of Defense.

The President announced the recess appointment of Benjamin A. Powell as General Counsel of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

The President announced the recess appointment of Ronald E. Meisburg as General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board.

The President announced the recess appointment of Julie L. Myers as Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement).

The President announced the recess appointment of Tracy A. Henke as Executive Director of the Office of State and Local Government Coordination and Preparedness at the Department of Homeland Security.

The President announced the recess appointment of Arthur F. Rosenfeld as Federal Mediation and Conciliation Director at the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service.

The President announced the recess appointment of Ellen R. Sauerbrey as Assistant Secretary of State (Population, Refugees, and Migration).

The President announced the recess appointment of Dorrance Smith as Assistant Secretary of Defense (Public Affairs).

The President announced the recess appointment of Robert D. Lenhard, Steven T. Walther, and Hans von Spakovsky as members of the Federal Election Commission.

The President announced the recess appointment of Peter N. Kirsanow as a member of the National Labor Relations Board.

The President announced the recess appointment of Stephen Goldsmith as a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service.

The President declared a major disaster in Minnesota and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by a severe winter storm from November 27–29, 2005.

The President declared a major disaster in North Dakota and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by a severe winter storm from November 27–30, 2005.

January 5

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with United Nations Secretary-General Kofi Annan. Later, he had an intelligence briefing. He then had a telephone conversation with Coach Mack Brown of the University of Texas Longhorns football team to congratulate him on the team's Rose Bowl victory.

Later in the morning, in the Oval Office, the President participated in a photo opportunity with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld, and former Secretaries of State and Defense.

In the afternoon, in the Oval Office, the President participated in a bill signing ceremony for H.R. 3402, the Violence Against Women and Department of Justice Reauthorization Act of 2005.

January 6

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. He then traveled to Chicago, IL, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Erin Green. Later, he participated in a tour of the Chicago Board of Trade.

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

The President announced his intention to nominate Richard T. Miller to be U.S. Representative in the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, and Alternate U.S. Representative to the Sessions of the United Nations General Assembly.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jackie W. Sanders to be Alternate U.S. Representative for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, and Alternate U.S. Representative to the Sessions of the United Nations General Assembly.

The President announced his intention to nominate Mark D. Wallace to be U.S. Representative to the United Nations for Management and Reform, with the rank of Ambassador, and Alternate U.S. Representative to the Sessions of the United Nations General Assembly.

The President announced the recess appointment of John Gardner as a Governor of the Board of Governors of the U.S. Postal Service.

January 7

During the day, the President traveled to Camp David, MD, where he had an intelligence briefing.

January 8

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

January 9

In the morning, in the Private Dining Room, the President had breakfast with Supreme Court Associate Justice-designate Samuel A. Alito, Jr. Later, he had an intelligence briefing.

Later in the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with Vice President Dick Cheney to wish him well after his brief hospital visit earlier that morning. He and Mrs. Bush then traveled to Glen Burnie, MD, where they visited with students at North Glen Elementary School. They then returned to Washington, DC.

In the evening, in the Cabinet Room, the President met with Vice President Cheney, members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and combatant commanders to discuss U.S. military operations around the world. Later, in the Residence, he hosted a reception and dinner for members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and combatant commanders.

The President announced his designation of the following individuals as members of a Presidential delegation to Astana, Kazakhstan, to attend the inauguration of President Nursultan Nazarbayev on January 11:

Mike Johanns (head of delegation);
John M. Ordway;
Josette Sheeran Shinger; and
Timothy D. Adams.

The President announced the recess appointment of Steven Kent Mullins as U.S. Attorney for the District of South Dakota.

January 10

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with Vice President Dick Cheney. Later, in the Oval Office, he participated in a photo opportunity with the 2005 Little League Softball World Series champions.

The President declared a major disaster in Oklahoma and ordered Federal aid to supple-

ment State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by an extreme wildfire threat on December 1, 2005, and continuing.

January 11

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he met with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice. Then, in the Oval Office, he participated in a bill signing ceremony for H.R. 4340, the U.S.-Bahrain Free Trade Agreement.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Louisville, KY, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Bob Manning.

In the afternoon, at the Kentucky International Convention Center, the President met with family members of a soldier killed in Iraq. Later, he returned to Washington, DC.

The President declared a major disaster in Texas and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by an extreme wildfire threat beginning on December 1, 2005, and continuing.

January 12

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with Acting Prime Minister Ehud Olmert of Israel to express his concern for the health of Prime Minister Ariel Sharon of Israel and to wish the Acting Prime Minister well. Later, he had an intelligence briefing.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to New Orleans, LA. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had a telephone conversation with Supreme Court Associate Justice-designate Samuel A. Alito, Jr., to discuss the judge's Senate confirmation hearing. Upon arrival in New Orleans, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Daisy VanDenburgh.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Waveland, MS, where, upon arrival, he met with a group of first-responders. Later, he traveled to Palm Beach, FL, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Yirela Alcantara.

In the evening, at a private residence, the President attended a Republican National Committee reception. Later, he returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to nominate Gale A. Buchanan to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Research, Education, and Economics.

The President announced his intention to nominate Donald T. Bliss to be U.S. Representative on the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization with the rank of Ambassador.

January 13

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he had a telephone conversation with President Elias Antonio Saca Gonzalez of El Salvador to discuss bilateral issues. Then, in the Oval Office, he met with Chancellor Angela Merkel of Germany.

In the afternoon, the President had a working lunch with Chancellor Merkel. Later, in the Oval Office, he met with business leaders to discuss natural disaster relief and reconstruction efforts in Central America.

Later in the afternoon, in the Oval Office, the President participated in a photo opportunity with the U.S. Solheim Cup women's golf team. He and Mrs. Bush then traveled to Camp David, MD.

The White House announced that the President will welcome Prime Minister Shaukat Aziz of Pakistan to the White House on January 24.

The President announced his designation of a Presidential delegation to attend the inauguration of President Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf of Liberia on January 16:

Laura Bush (head of delegation);
Condoleezza Rice;
Donald E. Booth;
Jendayi E. Frazer;
Cindy Courville; and
Barbara P. Bush.

January 14

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

January 15

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

January 16

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

January 17

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Oval Office, he met with Secretary of Veterans Affairs R. James Nicholson, American Legion National Com-

mander Tom Brock, and John Summer, executive director of the Washington office of the American Legion.

In the afternoon, in Room 350 of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Executive Office Building, the President met with members of the Foreign Intelligence Service Advisory Board and participated in a swearing-in ceremony for the board.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Lech Kaczynski of Poland to the White House on February 9.

The President announced his intention to nominate Richard A. Boucher to be Assistant Secretary of State for South Asian Affairs.

The President announced his intention to nominate Tyler D. Duvall to be Assistant Secretary of Transportation (Transportation Policy).

The President announced his intention to nominate Preston M. Geren to be Under Secretary of the Army.

The President announced his intention to nominate James B. Gulliford to be Assistant Administrator for Toxic Substances at the Environmental Protection Agency.

The President announced his intention to nominate Roger Shane Karr to be Assistant Secretary of Transportation (Governmental Affairs).

The President announced his intention to nominate Nicole R. Nason to be Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

The President announced his intention to nominate David L. Norquist to be Chief Financial Officer at the Department of Homeland Security.

The President announced his intention to nominate David C. Sanborn to be Administrator of the Maritime Administration of the Department of Transportation.

The President announced his intention to nominate James S. Simpson to be Federal Transit Administrator at the Department of Transportation.

The President announced his intention to nominate Ben S. Bernanke to be U.S. Alternate Governor of the International Monetary Fund.

The President announced his intention to appoint John N. Etchart as a member of the Advisory Board of the National Air and Space Museum.

The President announced his intention to appoint Valencia Campbell, Raymond Paul Caldiero, and James T. Dyke, Jr., as members

of the Board of Governors of the United Service Organization, Incorporated.

The President announced his intention to designate David L. Dunn as Acting Under Secretary of Education.

The President announced the recess appointment of C. Boyden Gray as U.S. Representative to the European Union with the rank and status of Ambassador.

The President announced the recess appointment of Dennis P. Walsh as a member of the National Labor Relations Board.

January 18

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing followed by a meeting with Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld. Later, he had a telephone conversation with Chancellor Angela Merkel of Germany to discuss the situation in Iran.

January 19

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. He then had a telephone conversation with President-elect Michelle Bachelet Jeria of Chile to congratulate her on her election victory. Later, he traveled to Sterling, VA.

Later in the morning, the President returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to nominate Randall L. Tobias to be Administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development.

The President announced his intention to nominate Thad W. Allen to be Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard.

January 20

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing followed by a National Security Council meeting. Later, he met with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Camp David, MD.

The President declared a major disaster in South Carolina and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by a severe ice storm from December 15–16, 2005.

January 21

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

January 22

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

January 23

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Topeka, KS, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Janet Dunn. He then traveled to Manhattan, KS.

In the afternoon, the President met with family members of a soldier killed in Afghanistan. He then returned to Washington, DC. Later, in the Oval Office, he participated in a photo opportunity with members of the U.S. Walker Cup team.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush hosted a retirement dinner for Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan.

January 24

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he met with Senator Norm Coleman of Minnesota and Senator Mark Pryor of Arkansas, cochairs of the National Prayer Breakfast, to discuss preparations for the breakfast.

In the afternoon, in the Old Family Dining Room, the President had a working lunch with Prime Minister Shaukat Aziz of Pakistan. Later, on the South Lawn, he participated in a photo opportunity with NASCAR Nextel Cup champion Tony Stewart and members of his racing team.

During the day, in the Oval Office, the President met with Gov. Joe Manchin III of West Virginia.

The President announced his designation of the following individuals as members of a Presidential delegation to Pristina, Kosovo, to attend the funeral of President Ibrahim Rugova of Kosovo on January 26: Alphonso R. Jackson (head of delegation); Philip S. Goldberg; and Frank Wisner.

The President announced his intention to nominate Thomas J. Barrett to be Administrator of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration at the Department of Transportation.

The President announced his intention to nominate Rajkumar Chellaraj to be Assistant Secretary of State for Administration.

The President announced his intention to appoint Margaret L. Kripke as a member of the President's Cancer Panel (Scientist).

The President announced his intention to designate Mary K. Bush as chair of the Helping to Enhance the Livelihood of People (HELP) Around the Globe Commission.

January 25

In the morning, in the Oval Office, the President had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister-elect Stephen Harper of Canada to congratulate him on his election victory. Later, he had an intelligence briefing. He then participated in an interview with the Wall Street Journal.

Later in the morning, in the Roosevelt Room, the President met with Members of the Senate to discuss the war on terror and the strategy for victory in Iraq.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Fort Meade, MD, where, at the National Security Agency, he made remarks to employees. He then participated in a tour of the National Security Agency. Later, he returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his designation of the following individuals as members of a Presidential delegation to Tegucigalpa, Honduras, to attend the inauguration of President Jose Manuel Zelaya Rosales of Honduras on January 27:

Alberto R. Gonzales (head of delegation);
Charles A. Ford;
Cresencio Arcos;
Miguel A. Estrada; and
Redmond James Hogan.

January 26

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

The President declared a major disaster in Kansas and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by a severe winter storm from November 27–28, 2005.

The President declared a major disaster in Nebraska and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by a severe winter storm from November 27–28, 2005.

January 27

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in Room 350 of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Executive Office Building, he met with the Senate Republican Conference to discuss legislative priorities.

In the afternoon, the President participated in an interview with Bob Schieffer of CBS News.

The President announced his intention to nominate Thomas P. D'Agostino to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs in the National Nuclear Security Administration at the Department of Energy.

The President announced his intention to nominate Randall S. Kroszner to be a member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the Fifth District.

The President announced his intention to nominate Boyd Kevin Rutherford to be Assistant Secretary of Agriculture (Administration).

The President announced his intention to nominate Kevin M. Warsh to be a member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the Second District.

The President announced his intention to designate Mary M. Rose as Vice Chairman of the Merit Systems Protection Board.

January 28

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the evening, at the Capital Hilton Hotel, the President and Mrs. Bush attended the Alfalfa Club Dinner.

January 29

In the afternoon, the President participated in a speech preparation session for his January 31 State of the Union Address.

January 30

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Family Theater, the President participated in a speech preparation session for his January 31 State of the Union Address.

In the afternoon, in the Oval Office, the President participated in a signing ceremony for a Presidential proclamation in honor of the fourth anniversary of the USA Freedom Corps.

The President announced his intention to nominate W. Ralph Basham to be Commissioner

of Customs at the Bureau of Customs and Border Enforcement in the Department of Homeland Security.

The President announced his intention to nominate Paul DeCamp to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division at the Department of Labor.

The President announced his intention to nominate Edward P. Lazear to be a member of the Council of Economic Advisers and, upon appointment, to designate him as Chairman.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jeffrey L. Sedgwick to be Director of the Bureau of Justice Statistics at the Department of Justice.

The President announced his intention to appoint Mark Sullivan as Director of the U.S. Secret Service at the Department of Homeland Security.

The President announced his designation of the following individuals as members of a Presidential delegation to the 2006 Olympic Games in Turin, Italy:

Laura Bush (head of delegation);
Ronald P. Spogli;
Barbara P. Bush;
Roland Betts;
Brad Freeman;
Dorothy Hamill;
Eric Heiden;
Kerri Strug;
Debi Thomas; and
Herschel Walker.

January 31

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Roosevelt Room, he met with Samuel A. Alito, Jr., to congratulate him on being confirmed by the Senate as an Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

In the afternoon, in the Old Family Dining Room, the President had lunch with television correspondents.

February 1

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with President Vladimir V. Putin of Russia to discuss the situation in Iran. Later, he had a telephone conversation with President Evo Morales of Bolivia to congratulate him on his election victory and inauguration. He then had an intelligence briefing.

Later in the morning, in the Oval Office, the President and Mrs. Bush participated in a signing ceremony for a Presidential proclamation in honor of American Heart Month. He and Mrs. Bush then traveled to Nashville, TN, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Suzanne Bingham.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

February 2

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Minneapolis, MN, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Anna Edlund. He then traveled to Maplewood, MN, where he toured 3M Headquarters.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Albuquerque, NM, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Mike Martin.

February 3

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, the President traveled to Dallas, TX, where, upon arrival in the afternoon, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Sharon Randolph.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX.

The White House announced that the President will welcome King Abdullah II of Jordan to the White House on February 8.

The White House announced that the President will welcome Secretary-General Kofi Annan of the United Nations to the White House on February 13.

The President announced his intention to nominate Benedict S. Cohen to be General Counsel of the Department of the Army.

The President announced his intention to nominate Robert M. McDowell to be a Commissioner on the Federal Communications Commission.

The President announced his intention to nominate Mauricio J. Tamargo to be Chairman of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the U.S. at the Department of Justice.

The President announced his intention to nominate Armando J. Bucelo to be a director of the board of directors of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (Public).

The President announced his intention to nominate Todd S. Farha to be a director of

the board of directors of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (Public) and, upon appointment, to designate him as vice chairman.

The President announced his intention to appoint Douglas DeMaster as Deputy U.S. Commissioner on the International Whaling Commission.

The President announced his intention to appoint William Hogarth as U.S. Commissioner on the International Whaling Commission.

The President announced his intention to appoint William B. Keleher as a member of the Board of Directors of the Valles Caldera Trust (Expert in Cultural and Natural History).

The President announced his intention to appoint Michael R. Oestreicher as a member of the Advisory Committee for Trade Policy and Negotiations.

The President announced that he has appointed Kevin J. Bergner as Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Iraq.

The President announced that he has appointed Scott Jennings as Special Assistant to the President and Deputy Director of Political Affairs.

The President announced that he has appointed Jeffrey F. Kupfer as Special Assistant to the President for Economic Policy.

The President announced that he has appointed Elisabeth Millard as Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for South and Central Asian Affairs.

The President announced that he has appointed Luis A. Reyes as Special Assistant to the President for Presidential Personnel.

The President declared a major disaster in Nevada and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding from December 31, 2005, to January 4, 2006.

The President declared a major disaster in California and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms, flooding, mudslides, and landslides from December 17, 2005, through January 3, 2006.

February 4

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

The White House announced that the President and Mrs. Bush will attend the funeral of Coretta Scott King on February 7.

February 5

In the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

February 6

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing followed by a National Security Council meeting. Later, he had a telephone conversation with Daniel M. Rooney, chairman of the Pittsburgh Steelers football team, to congratulate him on the team's Super Bowl victory on February 5. He then had a telephone conversation with Amir Sabah al-Ahmad al-Jabir al-Sabah of Kuwait to offer his condolences on the death of his brother, Amir Jabir al-Ahmad al-Jabir al-Sabah, to wish him well as he takes the position, and to invite him to the White House at his convenience.

In the afternoon, in the Family Dining Room, the President and Mrs. Bush had lunch with former President Jose Maria Aznar of Spain and his wife, Ana Botella.

In the evening, in the East Room, the President and Mrs. Bush attended a performance honoring the Dance Theatre of Harlem.

February 7

In the morning, the President had a working breakfast with Attorney General Alberto R. Gonzales. Later, he had an intelligence briefing.

Later in the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Lithonia, GA. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Anders Fogh Rasmussen of Denmark to discuss the recent violence against Danish and other diplomatic facilities and the importance of religious tolerance and freedom of the press.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

In the evening, the President had a working dinner with King Abdullah II of Jordan and Members of Congress.

The President announced his intention to nominate Patricia P. Brister to be the U.S. Representative on the Commission on the Status of Women of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador.

The President announced his intention to appoint Sander R. Gerber as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Woodrow Wilson International Center of Scholars (Public).

The President announced his intention to appoint Tamala L. Longaberger as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Woodrow Wilson International Center of Scholars (Government Representative).

The President announced his intention to designate Peter Jon Thomas as Acting Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for Administration.

The President announced his intention to designate David E. Jeremiah, Arthur B. Culvahouse, and Donald L. Evans as members of the Intelligence Oversight Board.

February 8

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Manchester, NH, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Vernetta Reimel.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC. Later, in Room 350 of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Executive Office Building, he dropped by a meeting of CEOs from the Business Roundtable. Then, in the Cabinet Room, he had a meeting with Republican congressional leaders to discuss legislative priorities.

February 9

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with Chancellor Angela Merkel of Germany to discuss foreign policy issues and the situation in the Middle East. Later, he had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, in the Old Family Dining Room, the President had lunch with President Lech Kaczynski of Poland. Later, he participated in a meeting and photo opportunity with members of the Major Cities Chiefs Association and the Major County Sheriff's Association.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Elias Antonio Saca Gonzalez of El Salvador to the White House on February 24.

The President announced his intention to nominate Andrew B. Steinberg to be Assistant Secretary of Transportation for Aviation and International Affairs.

The President announced his intention to appoint Julianna M. Cellini as a member of the Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Commission.

The President announced his intention to appoint Trung Dung and Richard J. Wall as members of the Board of Directors of the Vietnam Education Foundation.

February 10

In the morning, the President had breakfast with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice. Later, he had an intelligence briefing. Then, in the Oval Office, he met with Rebecca Garang, Minister of Transportation, Roads, and Bridges of the Government of Southern Sudan.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Cambridge, MD.

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

February 11

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

February 13

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing followed by a National Security Council meeting. Later, he participated in a signing ceremony for the 2006 Economic Report of the President and a photo opportunity with members of the Council of Economic Advisers.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with Vice President Dick Cheney.

In the evening, at a private residence, the President made remarks at a National Republican Senatorial Committee reception.

The President announced his designation of the following individuals as members of a Presidential delegation to attend the closing ceremonies of the 2006 Olympic Games in Turin, Italy:

Rudolph W. Giuliani (head of delegation);
Ronald P. Spogli;
Mario Andretti; and
A. Kenneth Ciongoli.

The President announced his intention to nominate Robert Irwin Cusick, Jr., to be Director of the Office of Government Ethics.

The President announced his intention to nominate James Lambright to be President of the Export-Import Bank of the U.S.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jon T. Rymers to be Inspector General of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

The President announced his intention to nominate Dennis R. Spurgeon to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Nuclear Energy).

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of

the President's Committee on the National Medal of Science:

Oliver K. Baker;
Sally K. Mason;
Robert Y. Moore; and
Harvey S. Rosen.

The President announced his intention to appoint Samuel K. Lessey, Jr., John S. Rainey, and William H. Strong as members of the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Military Academy.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation:

Raymond G. Chambers;
Darrell Green;
Michelle Nunn;
Sara Evans Schelske; and
Mark G. Yudof.

February 14

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, in the Oval Office, the President met with the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation.

In the evening, in the State Dining Room, the President and Mrs. Bush attended a Valentine's Day dinner. Later, in the East Room, they attended a Valentine's Day performance.

February 15

In the morning, the President had breakfast with congressional leaders to discuss legislative priorities. Later, he had an intelligence briefing. He then met with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Columbus, OH, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Suraj Hinduja, before traveling to Dublin, OH. Then, in the employee break room at Wendy's International, Inc., Corporate Headquarters, he participated in a meeting on health savings accounts.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC. Later, in the Oval Office, he participated in a bill signing ceremony for H.R. 4636, the Federal Deposit Insurance Reform Conforming Amendments Act of 2005.

February 16

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he had a meeting with health insurance and business leaders to discuss health care transparency issues. He then participated in a briefing on the war on terror in Iraq with Republican Members of Congress.

In the afternoon, at the historic Evermay house, the President attended a Republican National Committee luncheon.

The President announced his intention to nominate Linda Avery Strachan to be Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for Congressional Relations.

The President announced his intention to appoint Lee J. Styslinger III as a member of the President's Export Council.

The President announced his intention to appoint Joyce A. Silverthorne and Arthur W. Zimiga as members of the National Advisory Council on Indian Education.

February 17

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. He then had a telephone conversation with Secretary General Jakob Gijsbert "Jaap" de Hoop Scheffer of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization to discuss the situation in Darfur, Sudan.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Tampa, FL, where, at MacDill Air Force Base, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Joe MacDougald. Later, he participated in a briefing on the war on terror with commanders of U.S. Central and Special Operations Commands.

In the afternoon, the President met with family members of a soldier killed in Iraq. Later, he traveled to Orlando, FL, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Shauna Clark. He then traveled to Lake Buena Vista, FL.

In the evening, at Disney's Contemporary Resort, the President attended a Republican Party of Florida dinner. He then returned to Washington, DC.

February 18

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

February 20

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with President Gloria Macapagal-

Arroyo of the Philippines to offer condolences for the loss of life during massive mudslides in St. Bernard and to pledge continued U.S. disaster relief assistance. He then had an intelligence briefing. Later, he had a telephone conversation with President Vicente Fox Quesada of Mexico to discuss border security, immigration reform, and other issues.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Milwaukee, WI, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Beverly Christy-Wright. He then toured the Johnson Controls Battery Technology Center.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Selfridge Air National Guard Base in Macomb County, MI, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Brian Willingham. He then traveled to Auburn Hills, MI, where, at United Solar Ovonic, he participated in a briefing on alternative energy sources. Later, he traveled to Buckley Air Force Base in Aurora, CO, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Delmar "Pete" Beverly before traveling to Englewood, CO.

February 21

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Golden, CO, where he participated in a tour of the National Renewable Energy Laboratory.

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

The President announced his designation of the following individuals as members of a Presidential delegation to attend the closing ceremonies of the 2006 Olympic Games in Turin, Italy:

Rudolph W. Giuliani (head of delegation);
Ronald P. Spogli;
Mario Andretti;
Lawrence E. Auriana; and
A. Kenneth Ciongoli.

February 22

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he met with Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with Vice President Dick Cheney. Later, in the Oval Office, he participated in a photo opportunity with crew members of the Space Shuttle *Discovery* and their families.

In the evening, in the Family Theater, the President and Mrs. Bush hosted a screening of "Glory Road" followed by a dinner.

The White House announced that the President will host Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi of Italy at the White House on February 28.

February 23

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with President-elect Rene Garcia Preval of Haiti to congratulate him on his election victory. Later, he had an intelligence briefing. He then traveled to Mishawaka, IN, where, at Bethel College Indiana, he met with a soldier wounded in Iraq.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Cincinnati, OH.

In the evening, at a private residence, the President attended a Mike DeWine for U.S. Senate reception. He then returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to nominate John G. Emling to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs.

The President announced his intention to appoint William M. Murphy as a member of the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board.

The President announced his intention to appoint Gail A. Jaquish, A.J. Scribante, and Jackie Winters as members of the Board of Visitors to the U.S. Air Force Academy.

The President announced his intention to appoint Antonio Falcon, Bruce D. San Filippo, and Cecilia Rosales as members of the U.S. Section of the United States-Mexico Border Health Commission.

February 24

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing followed by a National Security Council meeting on Iraq.

In the afternoon, in the Oval Office, the President met with President Elias Antonio Saca Gonzalez of El Salvador.

The White House announced that the President will host Prime Minister Mikulas Dzurinda of Slovakia at the White House on March 13.

The President declared an emergency in Maine and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by record snow from December 25–27, 2005.

February 25

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

February 27

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing followed by a National Security Council meeting. Later, in the Oval Office, he met with widows of prodemocracy advocates who disappeared in Belarus.

Also in the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with President Alvaro Uribe Velez of Colombia to discuss the conclusion of bilateral free trade negotiations.

The President announced his intention to nominate William Ludwig Wehrum, Jr., to be Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency for Air and Radiation.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the President's Council of Advisers on Science and Technology:

F. Duane Ackerman;
Paul M. Anderson;
Robert A. Brown;
Nance K. Dicciani;
Richard H. Herman;
Martin C. Jischke;
Fred Kavli;
Daniel A. Reed;
Hector de Jesus Ruiz;
Stratton D. Sclavos;
John Brooks Slaughter;
Joseph M. Tucci;
Robert E. Witt; and
Tadataka Yamada.

The President announced his intention to designate Susan Schanlaber Barnes as Vice Chairman of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

The President announced his intention to designate Jeffrey William Runge as Acting Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Science and Technology.

The President declared a major disaster in Idaho and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding from December 30, 2005, through and including January 4, 2006.

February 28

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Kabul, Afghanistan, arriving the following day.

In the evening, while en route to Afghanistan, the President and Mrs. Bush stopped over at Shannon International Airport in Shannon, Ireland, where they greeted U.S. Marines being deployed to Iraq.

March 1

In the morning, aboard Air Force One, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, at the Presidential Palace in Kabul, Afghanistan, the President had a working lunch with President Hamid Karzai of Afghanistan. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to New Delhi, India, where, upon arrival, they were greeted by Prime Minister Manmohan Singh of India and his wife, Gursharan Kaur.

March 2

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, at Rashtrapati Bhavan, the official residence of the President of India, he and Mrs. Bush participated in an arrival ceremony with President A.P.J. Abdul Kalam and Prime Minister Manmohan Singh of India and his wife, Gursharan Kaur. They then participated in a wreath-laying ceremony at the Mahatma Gandhi Memorial.

In the afternoon, at the Taj Palace Hotel, the President and Mrs. Bush had lunch with Prime Minister Singh and his wife, Gursharan Kaur. Later, at Roosevelt House, he greeted U.S. Embassy personnel and their families. Then, at the Maurya Sheraton Hotel and Towers, he participated in separate meetings with Indian Opposition Leader Lal Krishna Advani and Indian National Congress Party chairman Sonia Gandhi.

In the evening, at Rashtrapati Bhavan, the President paid a courtesy call on President Kalam.

The President announced his designation of the following individuals as members of a Presidential delegation to attend the inauguration of President Michelle Bachelet Jeria of Chile on March 11: Condoleezza Rice (head of delegation); Craig A. Kelly; and Karen P. Hughes.

The President announced his designation of the following individuals as members of a Presidential delegation to attend the inauguration of President Anibal Cavaco Silva of Portugal on March 9: George H.W. Bush (head of delegation); Al Hoffman; and John D. Stufflebeem.

The President announced his designation of the following individuals as members of a Presidential delegation to attend the opening ceremonies of the IX Paralympic Winter Games in Torino, Italy:

Margaret Spellings (head of delegation);
Ronald P. Spogli;
Kirk Bauer;
Chad Colley; and
Nancy Starnes.

March 3

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Hyderabad, India. He then visited Acharya N.G. Ranga Agriculture University.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to New Delhi.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Islamabad, Pakistan.

The President announced that he has nominated John W. Cox to be Chief Financial Officer at the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The President announced that he has nominated George McDade Staples to be Director General of the Foreign Service at the Department of State, and his intention to appoint him as Chairman of the Board of the Foreign Service.

The President announced that he has nominated Mickey D. Barnett and Katherine C. Tobin to be Governors of the Board of Governors of the U.S. Postal Service.

The President announced that he has designated William Ludwig Wehrum, Jr., as Acting Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation at the Environmental Protection Agency.

The President announced that he has designated Sean O'Hollaren as Deputy Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs.

The President announced that he has designated Lisa E. Epifani as Special Assistant to the President for Economic Policy.

The President announced that he has designated Brian V. McCormack as Special Assist-

ant to the President and Deputy Director of Public Liaison.

March 4

In the morning, at the U.S. Ambassador's residence in Islamabad, Pakistan, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, at the Aiwan-e-Sadr, the President of Pakistan's residence, he and Mrs. Bush participated in an arrival ceremony with President Pervez Musharraf of Pakistan. Then, in the Pink Room at the Aiwan-e-Sadr, he met with President Musharraf.

Later in the morning, in the Reception Hall at the Aiwan-e-Sadr, the President participated in a briefing on the Pakistani earthquake and reconstruction efforts.

In the afternoon, in the President's Dining Room at the Aiwan-e-Sadr, the President and Mrs. Bush had lunch with President Musharraf and his wife, Sehba Musharraf. Later, at the U.S. Embassy in Islamabad, the President greeted U.S. Embassy staff. Then, in the Raphael Memorial Gardens of the U.S. Embassy, he participated in a cricket clinic with Pakistani youth.

In the evening, in the Reception Hall at the Aiwan-e-Sadr, the President and Mrs. Bush attended a performance. Later, they returned to Washington, DC, arriving the following morning.

March 6

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in Room 350 of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Executive Office Building, he dropped by a meeting of the Academic Competitiveness Council.

In the afternoon, the President participated in a briefing on Hurricane Katrina recovery and rebuilding efforts along the gulf coast.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Alejandro Toledo of Peru to the White House on March 10.

March 7

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, in the Oval Office, the President met with Minister of Foreign Affairs Sergey V. Lavrov of Russia. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Crawford, TX.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jerry Gayle Bridges to be Chief Financial Officer at the Corporation for National and Community Service.

The President announced his intention to nominate Richard Capka to be Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration.

The President announced his intention to nominate Robert F. Godec to be Ambassador to Tunisia.

The President announced his intention to nominate Philip D. Moeller and Jon Wellinchoff to be members of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

The President announced his intention to nominate Michael E. Ranneberger to be Ambassador to Kenya.

The President announced his intention to nominate Warren W. Tichenor to be the U.S. Representative to the European Office of the United Nations and other international organizations with the rank of Ambassador.

The President announced his intention to appoint Scott G. Kriens as a member of the President's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the Advisory Commission on Drug-Free Communities:

James R. Aiona, Jr. (State Organization);
Sandra Heverly (National Organization);
Keith N. Humphreys (Public);
Patricia J. Kempthorne (Public);
Charles W. Larson, Jr. (State Organization);
Darren L. Myles (National Organization); and
Camille Q. Solberg (Public).

The President announced his intention to designate William McCabe as Acting Chief Financial Officer of the Department of Education.

The President made additional disaster assistance available to areas of Mississippi impacted by Hurricane Katrina.

March 8

In the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to New Orleans, LA. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had an intelligence briefing, and then he and Mrs. Bush participated in a briefing on hurricane recovery and rebuilding efforts in New Orleans and other parts of Louisiana. Upon arrival in New Orleans, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Theo Richards.

Later in the morning, aboard Marine One, the President and Mrs. Bush participated in an

aerial tour of hurricane damaged areas of New Orleans followed by a walking tour of damaged areas and reconstruction efforts in New Orleans, including the Lower Ninth Ward and Industrial Levee Canal. During the tour, they stopped in at Stewart's Diner in the Lower Ninth Ward. They then traveled to Gautier, MS, where they toured hurricane damaged areas.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

March 9

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with Chancellor Angela Merkel of Germany to discuss foreign policy issues. Later, he had an intelligence briefing. He then participated in a photo opportunity with the National and Distinguished Principals of the Year.

Later in the morning, the President met with Republican congressional leaders to discuss legislative priorities. Later, on the North Portico, he participated in a photo opportunity with U.S. Senate Youth Program students.

In the afternoon, the President met with bipartisan Members of Congress to discuss his proposed Advanced Energy Initiative.

In the evening, the President traveled to College Park, GA. Later, he returned to Washington, DC.

The White House announced that the President will travel to Cancun, Mexico, to meet with President Vicente Fox Quesada of Mexico and Prime Minister Stephen Harper of Canada on March 30–31.

March 10

In the morning, the President had breakfast with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice. Later, he had an intelligence briefing. He then participated in a National Security Council meeting on Iraq.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush had lunch with President Alejandro Toledo of Peru. Later, in the Oval Office, he and Mrs. Bush met with members of military service organizations that have participated in the Department of Defense's America Supports You program.

The White House announced that the President will welcome Prime Minister Bertie Ahern of Ireland to the White House on March 17 and that he and Prime Minister Ahern will meet with Secretary of State for Northern Ireland

Peter Hain of the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland community peace activists.

The President announced his intention to nominate Robert D. McCallum, Jr., to be Ambassador to Australia.

March 11

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the evening, at the Capital Hilton Hotel, the President and Mrs. Bush attended the Grid-iron Club dinner.

March 13

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Old Indian Treaty Room of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Executive Office Building, the President participated in a photo opportunity with the Intel Science Talent Search finalists.

In the afternoon, the President received diplomatic credentials from newly appointed Ambassadors to the United States.

The President announced his intention to nominate Kenneth L. Wainstein to be an Assistant Attorney General and, upon appointment, to designate him as Assistant Attorney General for National Security.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jonann C. Chiles to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation.

The President announced his intention to nominate J.C.A. Stagg to be a member of the Board of Trustees of the James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation (Academic).

The President announced his intention to appoint John Cornyn and Edward M. Kennedy as members of the Board of Trustees of the James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation.

March 14

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Rochester, NY, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Father Joseph M. Champlin.

In the afternoon, in a hangar at the Greater Rochester International Airport, the President met with family members of soldiers killed in Iraq and Afghanistan. Later, he returned to Washington, DC. Then, in the Roosevelt Room, he met with members of organizations involved

in educating and enrolling seniors in Medicare prescription drug benefit plans.

March 15

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he met with Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld. He then met with Republican congressional leaders to discuss legislative priorities.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Silver Spring, MD. Later, he returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to nominate Andrew C. von Eschenbach to be Commissioner of Food and Drugs at the Department of Health and Human Services.

The President announced his intention to nominate Mark C. Minton to be Ambassador to Mongolia.

The President announced his intention to nominate John A. Rizzo to be General Counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency.

The President announced his intention to designate Thomas E. McNamara as Program Manager of the Information Sharing Environment.

March 16

In the morning, the President met with Members of Congress who had recently visited the Darfur region of Sudan. Later, he had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, at the U.S. Capitol, the President attended a St. Patrick's Day luncheon. Later, in the Oval Office, the President participated in a photo opportunity with recipients of the Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf of Liberia to the White House on March 21.

The President declared a major disaster in Missouri and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms, tornadoes, and flooding during the period of March 11–13.

March 17

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Oval Office, he met with Prime Minister Bertie Ahern of Ireland. Then, he and Prime Minister Ahern met with community leaders from Northern Ireland and attended a St. Patrick's Day reception.

In the afternoon, the President participated in a briefing on avian influenza. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Camp David, MD.

The White House announced that the President will host NATO Secretary General Jakob Gijssbert “Jaap” de Hoop Scheffer at the White House on March 20.

The President announced his intention to nominate Michael D. Kirby to be Ambassador to Moldova.

The President announced his intention to appoint Floyd E. Bloom and Nicholas Eberstadt as members of the President’s Council on Bioethics.

The President announced his intention to appoint Raymond Jardine, Jr., Samuel Metters, and William Gregory Rothman as members of the National Veterans Business Development Corporation.

The President announced his intention to designate Thomas E. Harvey as Acting Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Congressional Affairs).

March 18

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

March 19

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

March 20

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he met with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice. He then traveled to Cleveland, OH, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Lois Hagood.

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

The President declared a major disaster in Oregon and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms, flooding, landslides, and mudslides from December 18, 2005, through and including January 21, 2006.

March 21

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush had lunch and attended a performance with President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf of Liberia.

March 22

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing followed by a National Security Council meeting on Iraq. Later, he traveled to Wheeling, WV, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Kristen Holloway.

In the afternoon, at the Capitol Music Hall, the President met with family members of soldiers killed in Iraq. Later, he returned to Washington, DC.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Hu Jintao of China to the White House on April 20.

March 23

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with Vice President Dick Cheney. Later, in the Oval Office, he participated in a photo opportunity with the 2006 White House News Photographers Association “Eyes of History” winners.

In the evening, in the Blue Room, the President and Mrs. Bush hosted a social dinner to honor the 300th anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin. Following the dinner, in the East Room, they attended a performance.

The President announced his designation of the following individuals as members of a Presidential delegation to Tallinn, Estonia, to attend the funeral of former President Lennart Meri of Estonia on March 26: David A. Sampson (head of delegation); Aldona Zofia Wos; and Daniel Fried.

March 24

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Indianapolis, IN, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Marvin Bardo. Later, he traveled to Pittsburgh, PA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Edy Hope. He then traveled to Sewickley Heights, PA, where, at a private residence, he attended a Santorum 2006 reception.

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

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Olusegun Obasanjo of Nigeria to the White House on March 29.

March 25

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Camp David, MD.

March 26

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

March 27

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with Vice President Dick Cheney.

The President announced his intention to nominate Ronald S. Cooper to be General Counsel of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

The President announced his intention to nominate Harry R. Hoglander and Peter W. Tredick to be members of the National Mediation Board.

The President announced his intention to nominate Molly A. O'Neill to be Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency for Environmental Information.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation:

John Nau (General Public);
D. Franklin Arey III (General Public);
Alan Autry; and
Matt Blunt.

The President announced his intention to appoint Marilyn Castor Mashon Pattillo and Frank Jao as members of the Board of Directors of the Vietnam Education Foundation.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the President's Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities:

Ricardo Barraza, Jr.;
Herbert Bartlett;
Sharman Word Dennis;
Carmela Vargas Gonzales;
Harris N. Hollin;
Casey Patrick O'Halloran;
Thomas J. Reilly;
Steven C. Rhatigan;
Neil Romano; and
Dallas Rob Sweezy.

March 28

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he had a telephone conversation with outgoing Prime Minister Percival James Patterson of Jamaica to commend him for his distinguished service. He then had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister-designate Portia Simpson Miller of Jamaica to congratulate her on taking office.

In the afternoon, the President met with Members of Congress who had recently visited Iraq.

During the day, the President met with President-elect Rene Garcia Preval of Haiti.

The President declared a major disaster in Illinois and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by tornadoes and severe storms on March 11–13.

March 29

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with Acting Prime Minister Ehud Olmert of Israel to congratulate him on his party's success in the recent election. Later, he had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President met with Republican congressional leaders to discuss legislative priorities. Later, he participated in a photo opportunity with Spring 2006 White House interns. He then traveled to Cancun, Mexico.

March 30

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Chichen-Itza, Mexico, where he toured the Chichen-Itza archaeological ruins. He then returned to Cancun, Mexico.

In the evening, at the Fiesta Americana Condesa Cancun Hotel, the President had dinner with President Vicente Fox Quesada of Mexico and Prime Minister Stephen Harper of Canada.

The President announced his nomination of Daniel L. Cooper to be Under Secretary for Benefits of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

March 31

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, at the Fiesta Americana Condesa Cancun Hotel, he participated in a meeting with American, Canadian, and Mexican chief executive officers to discuss the North

American economy. He then traveled to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX.

The President announced that he has appointed Dana M. Perino as Deputy Assistant to the President and Deputy Press Secretary.

The President announced that he has appointed Kenneth A. Lisaius as Special Assistant to the President and Deputy Press Secretary.

The President announced that he has appointed Christopher G. Michel as Special Assistant to the President for Speechwriting.

The President announced that he has appointed Blain Rethmeier as Special Assistant to the President for Communications.

April 1

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

April 3

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. He then had a telephone conversation with Chancellor Angela Merkel of Germany. Later, he traveled to Cincinnati, OH, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Eugene Goss and Keith and Carolyn Maupin, parents of Sgt. Keith Matthew Maupin, USA, who disappeared after being captured by insurgents in Iraq on April 9, 2004.

In the afternoon, at Great American Ball Park, the President greeted Major League Baseball officials and visited the Chicago Cubs and Cincinnati Reds team clubhouses. Later, he participated in pregame ceremonies with soldiers wounded in Iraq and Afghanistan and with John Prazynski, whose son, Lance Cpl. Taylor B. Prazynski, USMC, was killed in Afghanistan on May 9, 2005. He then threw out the first pitch for an opening day game between the Cubs and the Reds and watched the game.

Later in the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had a telephone conversation with Representative Tom DeLay of Texas to thank him for his service and wish him well in his retirement.

The President announced his designation of the following individuals as members of a Presidential delegation to attend the inauguration of President Thomas Yayi Boni of Benin on April 6:

Karen P. Hughes (head of delegation);
Wayne E. Neill;

Ruth A. Davis; and
Ward Brehm.

April 4

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, at the historic Evermay house, the President made remarks at a Republican National Committee finance luncheon. Later, he met with Republican Members of the Senate to discuss legislative priorities.

The President announced his intention to nominate Eric M. Bost to be Ambassador to South Africa.

The President announced his intention to nominate Lisa Bobbie Schreiber Hughes to be Ambassador to Suriname.

The President announced his intention to nominate David M. Robinson to be Ambassador to Guyana.

The President announced his intention to nominate Earl Anthony Wayne to be Ambassador to Argentina.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the Board for International Food and Agricultural Development:

Catherine Ann Bertini;
Allen C. Christensen;
Robert A. Easter; and
Timothy A. Rabon.

April 5

In the morning, in the Oval Office, the President had breakfast with Republican congressional leaders to discuss legislative priorities. Later, he had an intelligence briefing. He then traveled to Bridgeport, CT, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Amargeet Singh.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC. Later, he met with Republican Members of Congress.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush hosted a screening of the film "Voyage to Kure."

The White House announced that the President will welcome President John Agyekum Kufuor of Ghana to the White House on April 12.

The President declared a disaster in Tennessee and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area

struck by severe storms and tornadoes on April 2–3.

The President declared a disaster in Missouri and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms, tornadoes, and flooding from March 30 to April 3.

April 6

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Charlotte, NC, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Michelle Cornellier.

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

The President announced his intention to nominate John A. Cloud, Jr., to be Ambassador to Lithuania.

The President announced his intention to nominate Lurita Alexis Doan to be Administrator of General Services.

The President announced his intention to nominate R. David Paulison to be Under Secretary for Federal Emergency Management at the Department of Homeland Security.

The President announced his intention to nominate John Clint Williamson to be Ambassador at Large for War Crimes Issues.

The President announced his intention to appoint Raymond Richard Geddes, Stephen Odland, and Mary E. Peters as members of the National Surface Transportation Policy and Revenue Study Commission.

April 7

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he participated in a National Security Council meeting on Iraq. He then participated in an interview with business and financial journalists.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with Vice President Dick Cheney.

April 8

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

April 10

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he participated in a photo opportunity with recipients of the Presidential Rank Award of Distinguished Executive.

In the afternoon, the President attended a Homeland Security Council meeting.

The White House announced that the President will welcome Prime Minister Fuad Siniora of Lebanon to the White House on April 18.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Ilham Aliyev of Azerbaijan to the White House on April 28.

April 11

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Columbia, MO, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Doris Hickman. He then traveled to Jefferson City, MO, where he visited Lutheran Senior Services at Heisinger Bluffs retirement community during a Medicare prescription drug plan enrollment session for senior citizens.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Des Moines, IA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Anjana Chandran. He then visited Wesley Acres retirement community during a Medicare prescription drug plan enrollment session for senior citizens.

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

April 12

In the morning, the President met with Vice Premier Wu Yi of China to discuss the results of the recent Joint Commission on Commerce and Trade session. Later, he had an intelligence briefing. He then met with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice.

In the afternoon, in the Yellow Oval Room, the President and Mrs. Bush hosted a social lunch for President John Agyekum Kufuor of Ghana and his wife, Theresa.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to Annandale, VA. Later, he returned to Washington, DC.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush hosted a retirement dinner for former U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice Sandra Day O'Connor and her husband, John.

The White House announced that the President will welcome Chancellor Angela Merkel of Germany to the White House on May 3.

The President declared a major disaster in Arkansas and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and tornadoes from April 1–3.

April 13

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he had a telephone conversation with President Alejandro Toledo of Peru to congratulate him on the signing of a U.S.-Peru trade agreement.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with Vice President Dick Cheney. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Camp David, MD.

The President announced his intention to nominate Anita K. Blair to be Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower and Reserve Affairs.

The President announced his intention to nominate Anne E. Derse to be Ambassador to Azerbaijan.

The President announced his intention to nominate Robert S. Ford to be Ambassador to Algeria.

The President announced his intention to nominate Mark V. Rosenker to be Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board.

The President announced his intention to nominate Leslie V. Rowe to be Ambassador to Papua New Guinea, the Solomon Islands, and Vanuatu.

The President announced his intention to nominate Daniel S. Sullivan to be Assistant Secretary of State for Economic and Business Affairs.

The President announced his intention to appoint Craig J. Duchossois and Robert Pacheco as members of the Board of Visitors to the U.S. Naval Academy.

The President declared a major disaster in Kansas and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms, tornadoes, and straight-line winds on March 12 and 13.

The President declared a major disaster in Oklahoma and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and tornadoes on March 12.

April 14

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

April 15

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush had Easter lunch with family members.

April 16

In the morning, at the Evergreen Chapel at Camp David, MD, the President, Mrs. Bush, and family members attended an Easter Sunday service. Later, he met with U.S. military personnel.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

April 17

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, on the State Floor, he and Mrs. Bush attended a White House Easter Egg Roll breakfast reception. They then participated in the White House Easter Egg Roll on the South Lawn.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Sterling, VA, where, upon arrival, he toured Europa Stone Distributors, Inc.

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

The President announced his intention to nominate Paul A. Denett to be Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy at the Office of Management and Budget.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council:

Debra Abrams;
Esther Jungreis;
Norma Lerner;
Marvin A. Pomerantz;
Alan Neil Rechtschaffen;
J. Philip Rosen;
Elie Wiesel;
Bradley David Wine; and
Judith Yudof.

April 18

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Rockville, MD, where, at the Parkland Magnet Middle School for Aerospace Technology, he met with students and teachers.

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

The President announced his intention to nominate Robert J. Portman to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

The President announced his intention to nominate Susan C. Schwab to be U.S. Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

April 19

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he met with a children's soccer team from Iraq. He then traveled to Tuskegee, AL, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Vester Marable.

Later in the morning, at Tuskegee University, the President participated in a demonstration of nanotechnology research.

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

The President announced that he has appointed Joel D. Kaplan as Assistant to the President and Deputy Chief of Staff for Policy.

The President announced the recess appointment of John L. Palmer and Thomas R. Saving as members of the Boards of Trustees of the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund, the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund, the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund, and the Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Fund.

The President announced the recess appointment of Bertha K. Madras as Deputy Director for Demand Reduction at the Office of National Drug Control Policy.

The President announced the recess appointment of James F.X. O'Gara as Deputy Director for Supply Reduction at the Office of National Drug Control Policy.

April 20

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, in the East Room, the President and Mrs. Bush hosted a social lunch and entertainment for President Hu Jintao of China and his wife, Liu Yongqing.

April 21

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he met with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice. He then traveled to Moffett Federal Airfield, CA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Joe Russo. While enroute aboard Air Force One, he had in a telephone conversation with Prime Minister-elect Romano Prodi of Italy to congratulate him on his election victory.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to San Jose, CA.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Stanford, CA, where, at a private residence, he

met with Hoover Institution Fellows. Later, the President had dinner at a private residence.

In the evening, the President traveled to St. Helena, CA.

The White House announced that the President will host Prime Minister Anders Fogh Rasmussen of Denmark at Camp David, MD, on June 9.

April 22

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Los Posados State Forest, he bicycled with the Travis Air Force Base cycling team.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to West Sacramento, CA, where he toured the California Fuel Cell Partnership. Later, he traveled to Palm Springs, CA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Liridon Leti. He then traveled to Indian Wells, CA.

In the evening, the President traveled to Rancho Mirage, CA.

April 23

In the morning, the President had separate telephone conversations with President Jalal Talabani, Speaker of Parliament Mahmoud al-Mashhadani, and Prime Minister-designate Nuri al-Maliki to congratulate them on their new positions and to pledge continued support for democracy in Iraq. The President also had a telephone conversation with U.S. Ambassador to Iraq Zalmay Khalilzad.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Twentynine Palms, CA, where, in the Protestant Chapel of the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, he attended a church service.

In the afternoon, in the Mess Hall of the Marine Air Ground Combat Center, the President had lunch with Marine Corps and Navy personnel and their family members. Later, he returned to Rancho Mirage, CA.

In the evening, the President met and had dinner with local officials.

April 24

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Santa Ana, CA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Laura Chanan. He then traveled to Irvine, CA.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Las Vegas, NV, where, upon arrival, he met

with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Patty Murphy.

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

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Tabare Vazquez of Uruguay to the White House on May 4.

April 25

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with President Mohamed Hosni Mubarak of Egypt to offer condolences for the loss of life due to recent terrorist attacks in Egypt. Later, he had an intelligence briefing. Then, in the Roosevelt Room, he met with Senators to discuss the situation in Iraq.

The President announced his intention to nominate April H. Foley to be Ambassador to Hungary.

The President announced his intention to nominate Tracey Ann Jacobson to be Ambassador to Tajikistan.

The President announced his intention to nominate Kevin J. Martin to be a Commissioner of the Federal Communications Commission and, upon appointment, to designate him as Chairman.

The President announced his intention to nominate Sue C. Payton to be Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition, Research, and Development.

The President announced his intention to nominate Steven C. Preston to be Administrator of the Small Business Administration.

The President announced his intention to nominate Gaddi H. Vasquez for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as U.S. Representative to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture.

The President announced his intention to nominate Lawrence A. Warder to be Chief Financial Officer of the Department of Education.

The President announced his intention to appoint Ralph B. Marquez as a member of the Joint Public Advisory Committee of the Commission for Environmental Cooperation.

The President announced his intention to appoint David A. Ullrich as a Commissioner of the U.S. Section of the Great Lakes Fishery Commission.

The President announced his intention to designate Robert H. Foglesong as Cochairman of the U.S.-Russian Joint Commission on POW/MIAs.

April 26

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Roosevelt Room, he met with Members of Congress to discuss the situation in Iraq.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with Vice President Dick Cheney. Later, he met with John J. Danilovich, Chief Executive Officer of the Millennium Challenge Corporation. Then, in the Yellow Oval Room, he met with Republican Senators.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush hosted a reception for Republican Members of Congress.

April 27

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Ferenc Gyurcsany of Hungary to congratulate him on his election victory. Later, he had an intelligence briefing. He then traveled to New Orleans, LA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Tris Coffin, Jr.

In the afternoon, on North Roman Street, the President participated in a Habitat for Humanity house rebuilding project. Later, he traveled to Biloxi, MS, where he toured the Hands On Network Gulf Coast Civic Action Center. He then returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to nominate Robert Anthony Bradtke to be Ambassador to Croatia.

The President announced his intention to nominate Dale Klein to be a Commissioner of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and, upon appointment, to designate him as Chairman.

The President announced his intention to nominate James B. Lockhart III to be Director of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight.

The President announced his intention to nominate the following individuals to be members of the Internal Revenue Service Oversight Board:

Paul Cherecwich, Jr.;
Donald V. Hammond;
Catherine G. West; and
Deborah L. Wince-Smith.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports:

John Burke (and, upon appointment, to designate him Chairman);
Dorothy Gay Richardson (and, upon appointment, to designate her Vice Chairman);
Denise Austin;
James N. Baird;
Paul Carrozza;
William Greer;
T.L. Mitchell;
Charles H. Moore, Jr.;
Catherine M. Baase;
Kirk M. Bauer;
Steven Bornstein;
Susan Lieberman Dell;
Lillian Rachel Green-Chamberlain;
Donna Richardson Joyner;
Edward R. Laskowski;
Elisha Nelson Manning;
Jerry V. Noyce;
Mary Lou Retton;
Andrew Roddick; and
W. Edgar Welden.

The President announced his intention to designate James B. Lockhart III as Acting Director of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight.

April 28

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

April 29

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the evening, at the Washington Hilton Hotel, the President and Mrs. Bush attended the White House Correspondents' Association dinner.

May 1

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with President Vladimir V. Putin of Russia. Later, he had an intelligence briefing.

During the day, the President had a telephone conversation with President Umar Hassan Ahmad al-Bashir of Sudan to discuss peace efforts in Sudan.

The President announced his intention to nominate Sheila C. Bair to be Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

The President announced his intention to nominate John M.R. Kneuer to be Assistant Sec-

retary of Commerce for Communications and Information.

The President announced his intention to nominate Dawn M. Liberi to be Ambassador to Mauritania.

The President announced his intention to nominate William B. Taylor, Jr., to be Ambassador to Ukraine.

The President announced his intention to nominate Michael Wood to be Ambassador to Sweden.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled:

Perry E. Anthony;
Robert J. Henke;
Andrew D. Houghton; and
James House.

May 2

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with President Hamid Karzai of Afghanistan. Later, he had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, in the Private Dining Room, the President had lunch with Vice President Dick Cheney. Later, in the Oval Office, he met with Republican congressional leaders to discuss legislative priorities.

The President announced his designation of the following individuals as members of a Presidential delegation to San Jose, Costa Rica, to attend the inauguration of President Oscar Arias Sanchez of Costa Rica on May 8: Laura Bush (head of delegation); and Mark Langdale.

The President declared an emergency in Connecticut and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by record snowfall from February 11–12.

The President declared a major disaster in Hawaii and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the areas struck by severe storms, flooding, landslides, and mudslides from February 20 to April 2.

May 3

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Oval Office, he met with Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld.

In the afternoon, on the South Portico, the President participated in a photo opportunity

with recipients of the 2005 Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching.

In the evening, at the Residence, the President and Mrs. Bush hosted a dinner for Chancellor Angela Merkel of Germany.

The White House announced that the President will travel to Vienna, Austria, to participate in the U.S.-European Union summit on June 21.

The President announced his intention to nominate Mark Myers to be Director of the U.S. Geological Survey at the Department of the Interior.

The President announced his intention to nominate the following individuals to be members of the National Museum and Library Services Board:

Katherine M.B. Berger;
Karen Brosius;
Ioannis N. Miaoulis;
Sandra Pickett;
Christina Orr-Cahall; and
Kevin Owen Starr.

The President announced his intention to designate James Manning as Acting Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education at the Department of Education.

May 4

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Abdullah bin Ahmad Badawi of Malaysia.

In the afternoon, the President dropped by a meeting between Secretary of the Security Council of Russia Igor S. Ivanov and National Security Adviser Stephen J. Hadley.

May 5

In the morning, the President had breakfast with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice. Later, he had an intelligence briefing followed by a National Security Council meeting on Iraq. Then, in the Library, he participated in an interview with Larry Kudlow of CNBC.

In the afternoon, in the Oval Office, the President met with Quartet Special Envoy for Gaza Disengagement James D. Wolfensohn to thank him for his service.

In the evening, at the Marine Barracks, the President and Mrs. Bush participated in a photo

opportunity with U.S. Marine Corps Non-commissioned Officers of the Year. They then met with marines wounded in the war on terror. Later, they participated in a briefing by Col. Terry Lockard, USMC, commanding officer, Marine Barracks, Washington.

Later in the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush participated in the evening parade.

May 6

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Stillwater, OK, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer William O'Connor. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had separate telephone conversations with President Olusegun Obasanjo of Nigeria and President Denis Sassou-Nguesso of the Republic of the Congo to discuss the peace process in Darfur, Sudan. Later, at Oklahoma State University, he met with family members of a soldier killed in Iraq.

Later in the morning, the President returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the afternoon.

May 8

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Fort Lauderdale, FL, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer David Tompkins. Later, at a private residence, he made remarks at a Friends of Clay Shaw reception.

The White House announced that the President will welcome Prime Minister John Howard of Australia to the White House on May 16.

The President announced the designation of the following individuals as members of a Presidential delegation to Port-au-Prince, Haiti, to attend the inauguration of President Rene Garcia Preval of Haiti on May 14: Jeb Bush (head of delegation); Janet Ann Sanderson; and M. Rony Francois.

The President announced his intention to nominate Troy R. Justesen to be Assistant Secretary for Vocational and Adult Education at the Department of Education.

The President announced his intention to nominate Eric Solomon to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Tax Policy.

The President announced his intention to nominate W. Stuart Symington IV to be Ambassador to Djibouti.

The President announced his intention to nominate Ellen C. Williams to be a Governor of the Board of Governors of the U.S. Postal Service.

The President announced his intention to nominate the following individuals to be members of the National Council on Disability:

John R. Vaughn;
Victoria Ray Carlson;
Chad Colley; and
Lisa Mattheiss.

The President announced his intention to appoint Sean M. Healey as a member of the President's Export Council.

May 9

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Coconut Creek, FL.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Tampa, FL, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Julie Whitney. He then traveled to Sun City Center, FL.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Orlando, FL, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Dick Stipe.

May 10

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, at Norman's Restaurant, he participated in an interview with representatives of Florida's print media.

Later in the morning, the President returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the afternoon.

May 11

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Yellow Oval Room, he met with Chinese human rights activists Li Baiguang, Wang Yi, and Yu Jie.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Biloxi, MS, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Deeneaus Polk.

Later in the afternoon, the President met with family members of soldiers killed in the war on terror. Later, he returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the evening.

The President announced his intention to nominate Gayleatha Beatrice Brown to be Ambassador to Benin.

The President announced his intention to nominate Peter R. Coneway to be Ambassador to Switzerland and Liechtenstein.

The President announced his intention to nominate Christina B. Rocca for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as U.S. Representative to the Conference on Disarmament.

The President announced his intention to nominate William H. Tobey to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation in the National Nuclear Security Administration at the Department of Energy.

The President announced his intention to appoint Arthur E. Johnson and Walter B. McCormick, Jr., as members of the President's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the Commission on Presidential Scholars:

Robert A. Gleason, Jr.;
Richard R. Kilgust;
J. Bryan Pickens;
Linda O. Shaw; and
Harvey W. Schiller.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad:

Linda Leuchter Addison;
Ronald H. Bloom;
David A. Burke;
Mordechai E. Gbioff;
Andrew M. Klein;
Elizabeth May Stern;
Robert Zarnegin;
Martin Berson Gold; and
Harley Lippman.

May 12

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Camp David, MD.

May 13

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

May 14

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

In the evening, at the residence of Australia's Ambassador to the U.S. Dennis Richardson, the

President and Mrs. Bush had dinner with Prime Minister John Howard of Australia and his wife, Janette.

May 15

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing followed by a National Security Council meeting on Iraq. Later, in the Oval Office, he participated in a photo opportunity with recipients of the 2006 MATHCOUNTS National Competition Award.

In the afternoon, in the Oval Office, the President received diplomatic credentials from newly appointed Ambassadors to the United States.

The White House announced that the President will welcome Prime Minister Ehud Olmert of Israel to the White House on May 23.

May 16

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

During the day, the President had separate telephone conversations with Speaker of the House of Representatives J. Dennis Hastert and Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist.

In the evening, in the State Dining Room, the President and Mrs. Bush hosted a state dinner for Prime Minister John Howard of Australia and his wife, Janette, followed by entertainment in the East Room.

The President announced his intention to nominate John Ray Correll to be Director of the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement at the Department of the Interior.

The President announced his intention to nominate John H. Hill to be Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.

The President announced his intention to nominate R. Hunter Biden and Donna R. McLean to be members of the Amtrak Reform Board.

The President announced his intention to appoint Norman Y. Mineta as a member of the Amtrak Reform Board.

May 17

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he participated in a photo opportunity with the Texas A&M Singing Cadets.

The President declared a major disaster in Washington and ordered Federal aid to supple-

ment State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms, flooding, tidal surge, landslides, and mudslides from January 27 to February 4.

May 18

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Yuma, AZ, where, upon arrival, he toured the Yuma Sector of the U.S.-Mexico border.

In the afternoon, at the Yuma Sector Border Patrol Headquarters, the President participated in a briefing on border security. Later, the President participated in interviews with television networks.

Later in the afternoon, at the Yuma Marine Corps Air Station, the President greeted U.S. military personnel. Later, he returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the evening.

The President announced his intention to nominate Kathleen L. Casey to be a Commissioner of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

The President announced his intention to nominate Donald L. Kohn to be Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

The President announced his intention to appoint Carl E. Schneider as a member of the President's Council on Bioethics.

The President announced his intention to appoint Alan Austerman as a U.S. Commissioner on the U.S. Section of the North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission (Alaska State Representative).

The President announced his intention to appoint Gary Thomas Smith as a U.S. Commissioner on the U.S. Section of the North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission (Washington State Representative).

The President announced his intention to appoint Joseph Albert Cirillo, Elizabeth Ann Stewart, and John Charles Wyvill as members of the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Access Board.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the Advisory Committee on the Arts at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts:

Brittain Bardes Cudlip;
Jody Dow;
Fred Wiehl Lazenby;
Robert D. Leebern, Jr.;

Carole J. McNeil;
Robert Frank Pence;
Larry Ruvo;
Mark S. Siegel;
Stephanie Spencer Tellefsen;
David Carl Weinstein;
Nancy R. Williams; and
Ilene Zatkin-Butler.

The President announced his intention to designate LaSalle Doheny Leffall, Jr., as Chairman of the President's Cancer Panel.

May 19

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he met with Minister of Foreign Affairs Saud al-Faysal bin Abd al-Aziz Al Saud of Saudi Arabia. He then traveled to Virginia Beach, VA.

In the afternoon, at a private residence, the President attended a Thelma Drake for Congress reception. Later, he traveled to Highland Heights, KY, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer David Trinh. He then traveled to Florence, KY.

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

The President announced his intention to appoint Malik M. Hasan as a member of the Advisory Committee on the Arts at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

The President announced his intention to designate Steven D. Aitken as Acting Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the Office of Management and Budget.

May 20

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

May 21

In the afternoon, the President had a telephone conversation with Mayor C. Ray Nagin of New Orleans to congratulate him on his election victory.

May 22

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Chicago, IL, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteers Barry and Tanya Jeong.

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

May 23

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the evening, the President had a working dinner with Prime Minister Ehud Olmert of Israel.

The White House announced that the President will welcome Prime Minister Tony Blair of the United Kingdom to the White House on May 25.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Manuel Zelaya Rosales of Honduras to the White House on June 5.

The President announced his designation of the following individuals as members of a Presidential delegation to attend the inauguration of President Ahmed Abdallah Mohamed Sambi of Comoros on May 26: Frederick W. Schieck (head of delegation); and James David McGee.

The President announced his intention to nominate Richard E. Hoagland to be Ambassador to Armenia.

The President announced his intention to nominate Clifford M. Sobel to be Ambassador to Brazil.

May 24

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Rose Garden, he participated in a photo opportunity with members of the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Pottstown, PA, where he participated in a tour of the Limerick Generating Station. Later, at the Saratoga Court Elder Care Center, he greeted residents of Pottstown. He then traveled to Philadelphia, PA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Reggie Waller.

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

The White House announced that the President and Mrs. Bush will welcome Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi of Japan to the White House on June 29.

The President announced his intention to nominate Robert O. Blake, Jr., to be Ambassador to Sri Lanka.

The President announced his intention to nominate Elizabeth Dougherty to be a member of the National Mediation Board.

The President announced his intention to nominate Patrick W. Dunne to be Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Policy and Planning.

The President announced that he has appointed Karl Zinsmeister as Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy.

May 25

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, on the South Lawn, the President participated in an arrival ceremony for Prime Minister Tony Blair of the United Kingdom.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Paul Kagame of Rwanda to the White House on May 31.

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 and flooding beginning on May 13 and continuing.

The President declared a major disaster in Massachusetts and ordered Federal aid to supplement Commonwealth and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding beginning on May 12 and continuing.

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 severe storms and flooding beginning on May 12 and continuing.

May 26

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Camp David, MD.

The White House announced that the President will welcome Prime Minister Stephen Harper of Canada to the White House on July 6.

May 27

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Newburgh, NY, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Heather DiSilvio. He then traveled to West Point, NY.

Later in the morning, the President returned to Camp David, MD.

In the evening, the President had a telephone conversation with President Susilo Bambang

Yudhoyono of Indonesia to express his condolences for the loss of life following the earthquake in Java.

May 28

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

May 29

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Oval Office, he participated in separate bill signing ceremonies for H.R. 1499, the Heroes Earned Retirement Opportunities Act, and H.R. 5037, the Respect for America's Fallen Heroes Act.

In the evening, the President had a private dinner with King Abdullah II of Jordan.

May 30

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he had a meeting with public policy experts on Iraq.

Later in the morning, the President had separate telephone conversations with President Vladimir V. Putin of Russia, President Jacques Chirac of France, and Chancellor Angela Merkel of Germany to discuss the situation in Iran.

In the evening, in the Family Theater, the President and Mrs. Bush hosted a screening of the film "United 93."

The President announced his intention to nominate Henry M. Paulson, Jr., to be Secretary of the Treasury.

May 31

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he had separate telephone conversations with President Hamid Karzai of Afghanistan, Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi of Japan, and Prime Minister Ehud Olmert of Israel.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to CIA Headquarters in Langley, VA. Later, he returned to Washington, DC. He then traveled to Baltimore, MD.

During the day, the President participated in a swearing-in ceremony for Mark J. Sullivan as Director of the U.S. Secret Service.

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

The President announced his appointment of Raul F. Yanes as Assistant to the President and Staff Secretary.

June 1

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with President Hu Jintao of China to discuss the situation in Iran. Later, he had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with Vice President Dick Cheney.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Denis Sassou-Nguesso of the Republic of the Congo to the White House on June 5.

The President announced his intention to nominate David H. Laufman to be Inspector General of the Department of Defense.

The President announced his intention to nominate Charles D. Nottingham to be a member of the Surface Transportation Board and, upon confirmation, to designate him as Chairman.

The President announced his intention to nominate Charles Darwin Snelling to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority.

The President announced his intention to appoint George Nesterzuk as a member of the Federal Salary Council for Labor Relations and Pay Policy and, upon appointment, to designate him as Vice Chairman.

The President announced his intention to appoint Dallas Rob Sweezy as a member of the President's Committee for People With Intellectual Disabilities and, upon appointment, to designate him as Chair.

The President announced his intention to appoint R. Todd Gardenhire as a member of the Advisory Committee to the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (Employer Representative).

The President announced his intention to appoint Nelson W. Wolff as a member of the Advisory Committee to the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (Public Representative).

June 2

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister John Howard of Australia to discuss the situations in Iran and East Timor. Then, in the Oval Office, he met with Senior Minister Goh Chok Tong of Singapore.

Later in the morning, the President participated in a photo opportunity with members of

the American Society of the Italian Legions of Merit.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Michelle Bachelet Jeria of Chile to the White House on June 8.

June 3

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

June 5

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with President Vladimir V. Putin of Russia. Later, he had an intelligence briefing. Then, in the Dwight D. Eisenhower Executive Office Building, he met with Chinese Leadership Program Fellows.

The President declared a major disaster in California and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms, flooding, landslides, and mudslides from March 29 to April 16.

The President declared a major disaster in Minnesota and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by flooding from March 30 to May 3.

The President declared a major disaster in North Dakota and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms, flooding, and ground saturation from March 30 to April 30.

The President declared a major disaster in South Dakota and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by a severe winter storm from April 18–20.

June 6

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Artesia, NM, where he participated in a tour of the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Laredo, TX, where he participated in a tour of the Laredo Border Patrol Sector Headquarters. Later, he visited with staff and students of Mary Help of Christians School. He then visited the Cotulla Style Pit Bar-B-Que restaurant.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to Omaha, NE, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer John "Buzz" Garlock.

The White House announced that the President will travel to St. Petersburg, Russia, to attend the G-8 summit on July 15-17.

The President announced his intention to nominate Wayne Cartwright Beyer to be a member of the Federal Labor Relations Authority.

The President announced his intention to nominate Cesar Benito Cabrera to be Ambassador to Mauritius and the Seychelles.

The President announced his intention to nominate Robert L. Sumwalt III to be a member of the National Transportation Safety Board and, upon confirmation, to designate him as Vice Chair.

The President announced his intention to nominate Colleen Conway-Welch and C. Thomas Yarrington, Jr., to be members of the Board of Regents of the Uniformed Services University for Health Sciences.

The President announced his intention to designate Lt. Gen. Ronald L. Burgess, Jr., as Acting Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence.

June 7

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he visited Catholic Charities—Juan Diego Center, where he participated in a microbusiness networking breakfast and a U.S. citizenship class.

Also in the morning, the President had separate telephone conversations with President Elias Antonio Saca Gonzalez of El Salvador and President-elect Alan Garcia Perez of Peru.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC. Later, he met with Republican congressional leaders. He then met with Members of Congress who had recently traveled to Iraq.

In the evening, National Security Adviser Stephen J. Hadley briefed the President on the death of senior Al Qaida associate Abu Musab Al Zarqawi in Baquba, Iraq, following U.S. airstrikes.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Alvaro Uribe Velez of Colombia to the White House on June 14.

The White House announced that the President will host Prime Minister Janez Jansa of Slovenia at the White House on July 10.

June 8

In the morning, the President had separate telephone conversations with Prime Minister Tony Blair of the United Kingdom and Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki of Iraq to discuss the death of Abu Musab Al Zarqawi in Baquba, Iraq, on June 7. Later, he had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with President Michelle Bachelet Jeria of Chile. Later, in the Roosevelt Room, he met with President Vaira Vike-Freiberga of Latvia. He and Mrs. Bush then traveled to Camp David, MD.

The White House announced that the President will travel to Budapest, Hungary, on June 22, following his participation in the U.S.-European Union summit in Vienna, Austria.

June 9

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush had lunch with Prime Minister Anders Fogh Rasmussen of Denmark and his wife, Anne-Mette.

The President announced his intention to nominate Randall M. Fort to be Assistant Secretary of State for Intelligence and Research.

The President announced his intention to nominate Margo M. McKay to be Assistant Secretary of Agriculture for Civil Rights.

The President announced his intention to nominate Stephen S. McMillin to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

The President announced his intention to nominate Drue Pearce to be Federal Coordinator for Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Projects.

The President announced his intention to nominate Marc Spitzer to be a member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

June 10

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

June 11

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

June 12

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Then, on the North Portico, he participated in a photo opportunity with members of the World Cup youth delegation.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Camp David, MD.

In the evening, the President traveled to Baghdad, Iraq, arriving the following afternoon.

June 13

In the morning, while en route to Baghdad, Iraq, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, at the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad, the President met with Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki of Iraq. Later, he met with Prime Minister Maliki, the Iraqi Cabinet, and the President's Cabinet, participating from Camp David, MD, through video teleconference. He then had separate meetings with President Jalal Talabani and Speaker of the Council of Representatives Mahmoud al-Mashhadani of Iraq and Iraqi business, cultural, and education leaders.

In the evening, the President returned to Washington, DC, arriving the following morning. While en route aboard Air Force One, he participated in an interview with radio and television reporters.

The White House announced that the President and Mrs. Bush will accompany Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi of Japan to Memphis, TN, on June 30 following Prime Minister Koizumi's visit to the White House on June 29.

June 14

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

June 15

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Oval Office, he participated in a swearing-in ceremony for U.S. Trade Representative Susan C. Schwab. Then, in the Dwight D. Eisenhower Executive Office Building, he met with Randal L. McCloy, Jr., the only survivor of a January mining accident in Sago, WV, and his wife, Anna.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with Vice President Dick Cheney.

The President announced his intention to nominate Geoffrey S. Bacio to be a member

of the Board of Directors of the Federal Housing Finance Board.

The President announced his intention to nominate Michael V. Dunn to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

The President announced his intention to nominate Thomas C. Foley to be Ambassador to Ireland.

The President announced his intention to nominate Nancy Montanez-Johner to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services and a member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

The President announced his intention to nominate the following individuals to be members of the National Council on the Humanities:

Josiah Bunting III;
Mary Habeck;
Robert S. Martin;
Wilfred M. McClay;
Manfredi Piccolomini;
Jay Winik; and
Kenneth R. Weinstein.

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

Mark R. Abbott;
Camilla Persson Benbow;
John T. Bruer;
Patricia D. Galloway;
Jose-Marie Griffiths;
Karl Hess;
Thomas N. Taylor; and
Richard F. Thompson.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation:

Janine L. Gauntt;
Angela Baraquio Grey;
Kelly Perdew; and
Daniel C. Wuerffel.

The President announced his intention to designate Jean M. Case as Chairman of the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation.

The President announced his intention to designate Daniel Pearson as Chairman of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

The President announced his intention to designate Shara L. Aranoff as Vice Chairman of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

June 16

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Seattle, WA, where, upon arrival at the Boeing Field/King County International Airport, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Norma McQuiller. He then traveled to Medina, WA, where, at a private residence, he attended a reception for congressional candidate David G. Reichert and the Washington State Republican Party.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Albuquerque, NM, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Patricia Ortiz. Later, he traveled to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX.

June 17

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

June 18

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

June 19

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to New York City, NY, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Christopher Branning. He then traveled to Kings Point, NY.

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

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Mikheil Saakashvili of Georgia to the White House on July 5.

June 20

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Vienna, Austria, arriving in the evening.

The President announced his intention to nominate William B. Wark and William E. Wright to be members of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board.

The President announced his intention to nominate Robert L. Wilkie to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for Legislative Affairs.

The President announced his intention to nominate Warren Bell, Chris Boskin, and David H. Pryor to be members of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

The President announced his intention to appoint Edmund G. Archuleta, David Michael Cote, and James B. Nicholson as members of the National Infrastructure Advisory Council.

The President announced his intention to appoint Susan Schanlaber Barnes as a member of the the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation and, upon appointment, to designate her Vice Chair.

The President announced his intention to appoint Rhonda Bentz as a member of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

The President announced his intention to appoint Benjamin K. Homan and David A. Williams as members of the Helping To Enhance the Livelihood of People (HELP) Around the Globe Commission.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the Community Development Advisory Board:

Jennings David Colbert (Native American Tribal Development Representative);

J. French Hill (Insured Depository Institution Representative);

Farah M. Jimenez (Community Development Representative);

Jack Lund (Consumer/Public Interest Organization Representative); and

L. Raymond Moncrief (Community Development Financial Institution Representative).

The President announced his intention to designate Michael W. Smith as Vice Chair of the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation.

June 21

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Johann Strauss Ballroom of Hofburg Palace, he and Mrs. Bush greeted U.S. Embassy personnel. Then, in the Hunting Room, he met with President Heinz Fischer of Austria.

Later in the morning, in the Mittlere Lounge of Hofburg Palace, the President met with Chancellor Wolfgang Schuessel of Austria. He then met with European Union leaders. Later, in the Grosser Redoutensaal Room at Hofburg Palace, he participated in the U.S.-European Union summit.

In the afternoon, the President had a working lunch with European Union leaders. Later, he and Mrs. Bush toured the Austrian National Library, where they watched a performance by the Vienna Boys Choir.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Budapest, Hungary.

June 22

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he greeted U.S. Embassy personnel. Then, at Sandor Palace, he and Mrs. Bush participated in an arrival ceremony.

Later in the morning, in the conference hall of the Parliament Building, the President had separate meetings with Speaker of Parliament Katalin Szili and Hungarian political party leaders.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush participated in a wreath-laying ceremony at the 1956 Memorial Monument.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to nominate Linda Mysliwy Conlin to be First Vice President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States.

The President announced his intention to nominate J. Joseph Grandmaison to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States.

The President announced his intention to nominate Thomas E. Harvey to be Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Congressional Affairs.

The President announced his intention to nominate Roger L. Hunt, John E. Kidde, and John Peyton to be members of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation.

June 23

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he met with experts on Russia.

In the afternoon, the President met with Gen. George W. Casey, Jr., USA, commanding general, Multi-National Force—Iraq.

The President announced that he has appointed John Emling as Special Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs.

The President announced that he has appointed Julie Goon as Special Assistant to the President for Economic Policy.

The President announced that he has appointed Hunter Moorhead as Special Assistant to the President for Agriculture, Trade, and Food Assistance.

The President announced that he has appointed John M. Smith as Associate Counsel to the President.

June 24

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

June 25

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush attended the Ford's Theatre Gala, where he made remarks for television broadcast on July 4.

June 26

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the East Room, he participated in a photo opportunity with the 2006 Presidential Scholars.

In the afternoon, at the historic Evermay house, the President made remarks at a Republican National Committee finance luncheon.

June 27

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he met with Senators to discuss proposed line-item veto legislation.

In the afternoon, in the Oval Office, the President participated in a photo opportunity with S. Sgt. Christian Bagge, USA, who was wounded in Iraq in June 2005.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jay M. Cohen to be Under Secretary for Science and Technology at the Department of Homeland Security.

The President announced his intention to nominate Sean T. Connaughton to be Administrator of the Maritime Administration at the Department of Transportation.

The President announced his intention to nominate the following individuals to be members of the National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board:

Carmel Borders;
Donald D. Deshler;
Blanca E. Enriquez;
Patricia Mathes;
Eliza McFadden; and
Timothy Shanahan.

June 28

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he met with Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to St. Louis, MO, where, upon arrival, he met with 2006 Presidential Scholar J. Andrew Benecke and USA Freedom Corps volunteer Susan Reese.

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

The White House announced that the President will travel to Stralsund and Trinwillershagen, Germany, on July 13 to meet with Chancellor Angela Merkel of Germany.

June 29

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the evening, in the Grand Foyer, the President and Mrs. Bush participated in a photo opportunity with Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi of Japan. Later, in the State Dining Room, he and Mrs. Bush hosted an official dinner for Prime Minister Koizumi, followed by entertainment in the East Room.

The President made additional disaster assistance available to areas of Louisiana impacted by Hurricane Katrina.

The President made additional disaster assistance available to areas of Mississippi impacted by Hurricane Katrina.

June 30

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled with Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi of Japan to Memphis, TN, where they participated in a tour of Elvis Presley's Graceland mansion.

In the afternoon, at the Rendezvous restaurant, the President and Mrs. Bush had lunch with Prime Minister Koizumi.

Later in the afternoon, the President met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Sandi Langley before traveling to Columbus, OH, where, at a private residence, he attended a Mike DeWine for U.S. Senate reception.

In the evening, the President traveled to Camp David, MD.

The President announced his intention to appoint Lynette Boggs McDonald as a member of the Board of Visitors to the U.S. Naval Academy.

The President announced his intention to appoint Jason Edward Allen and William S. Gates as members of the Board of Trustees of the Christopher Columbus Fellowship Foundation.

The President announced that he has nominated Frank R. Jimenez to be General Counsel of the Department of the Navy.

The President announced that he has nominated Donald C. Johnson to be Ambassador to Equatorial Guinea.

The President announced that he has nominated Bruce I. Knight to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Marketing and Regulatory Programs and a member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

The President announced that he has nominated Charles E. McQueary to be Director of Operational Test and Evaluation at the Department of Defense.

The President announced that he has nominated Frederic S. Mishkin to be a member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (1st District).

The President announced that he has nominated Edmund C. Moy to be Director of the Mint.

The President announced that he has nominated Nathaniel F. Wienecke to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs.

The President announced that he has designated Paul J. Hutter as Acting Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Policy and Planning.

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 mudslides beginning on June 23 and continuing.