

## Message to the Congress on Continuation of the National Emergency With Respect to Persons Who Commit, Threaten To Commit, or Support Terrorism

September 20, 2007

*To the Congress of the United States:*

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent the enclosed notice to the *Federal Register* for publication, stating that the national emergency with respect to persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism is to continue in effect beyond September 23, 2007.

The crisis constituted by the grave acts of terrorism and threats of terrorism committed by foreign terrorists, including the terrorist attacks in New York, in Pennsylvania, and against the Pentagon committed on September 11, 2001, and the continuing

and immediate threat of further attacks on United States nationals or the United States that led to the declaration of a national emergency on September 23, 2001, has not been resolved. These actions pose a continuing unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States. For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared with respect to persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism, and maintain in force the comprehensive sanctions to respond to this threat.

GEORGE W. BUSH

The White House,  
September 20, 2007.

NOTE: The notice is listed in Appendix D at the end of this volume.

## Message to the Senate Transmitting a Treaty Between the United States, the United Kingdom, and Northern Ireland Concerning Defense Trade Cooperation

September 20, 2007

*To the Senate of the United States:*

I transmit herewith for Senate advice and consent to ratification the Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Concerning Defense Trade Cooperation, done at Washington and London on June 21 and 26, 2007. I transmit, for the information of the Senate, the report

of the Department of State concerning this Treaty.

My Administration is prepared to provide to the Senate for its information other relevant documents, including proposed implementing arrangements to be concluded pursuant to the Treaty, relevant correspondence with the Government of the United Kingdom about the Treaty, and proposed amendments to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations.

This Treaty will allow for greater cooperation between the United States and the United Kingdom, enhancing the operational capabilities and interoperability of the armed forces of both countries. I recommend that the Senate give early and favorable consideration to this Treaty.

GEORGE W. BUSH

The White House,

September 20, 2007.

NOTE: This message was released by the Office of the Press Secretary on September 21.

## Remarks Honoring 2006 and 2007 NCAA Championship Teams *September 21, 2007*

Thank you all. Please be seated. It is a beautiful day to welcome champs to the White House. And I am honored to stand with some of our country's finest student athletes, and look at some of our finest student athletes, and glad to give you an excuse to skip class. *[Laughter]* But I'm really glad to welcome you here and to congratulate you on being a champion.

I really enjoy a day like today. You didn't get to see, but I got to shake hands with athletes and coaches and people, some of whom have come a long way to be recognized here at the White House. And it is really a lot of fun to be with people who set high standards and work hard to achieve goals, which you've done.

And there are some others here who want to recognize you as well: Senator Lamar Alexander from Tennessee—thanks for coming, Lamar; Lisa Murkowski from Alaska; Senator Gordon Smith and Sharon from Oregon. We're sure glad you all are here. Zach Wamp from the State of Tennessee and Kim, proud you all are here as well. They are here because the States they represent happen to have teams who are champs as well.

I want to welcome all the team captains, the coaches, the school officials, and all the fans who have joined us. You're different: You've come from different schools, different sports, but you deserve to be called champion.

The first champions I want to recognize are the Arizona State indoor track and field and outdoor track and field champs. I learned a new symbol. *[Laughter]* The women's track team from Arizona State claimed two national championships in 1 year. In the winter, the Sun Devils earned the indoor title; in the spring, the outdoor title. It makes Arizona State one of only three schools in NCAA history to win women's indoor and outdoor track and field championships in the same season. I congratulate Coach Kraft and all the athletes who've joined us today. Thanks for coming.

Coach Pat Casey and the Oregon State baseball team have joined us. Oregon State is here to celebrate two consecutive national championships in baseball. Earlier this summer, the Beavers won all five of their games in the College World Series. That is hard to do. You outscored your opponents 42–16. You trailed for only one inning. You took the lead and never looked back. And as a result, you're the first college baseball team to win back-to-back titles in 10 years. And I'm proud you're here, and congratulations on the job you're doing.

Speaking about repeat champs, the Duke women's golf team is with us today. The ladies of the golf team have now won three NCAA championships in a row and five overall. They're really hard to beat. This spring, the team played through wind and rain to win the championship tournament