

May God's peace be upon you. May God bless the United States of America. Thank you very much, everybody.

NOTE: The President spoke at 1:04 p.m. in the ISB/Masjid Al-Rahmah Prayer Hall. In his remarks, he referred to Sabah Muktar, student, University of Maryland, Baltimore County; former heavyweight boxing champion Muhammad Ali; Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, former center, National Basketball Association's Los Angeles Lakers; Hakeem Abdul Olajuwon, former center, NBA's Houston Rockets; Dylann S. Roof, suspected gunman in the June 17, 2015, shooting at the Emanuel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Charleston, SC; Jack Swanson,

donor to the Islamic Center in Pflugerville, TX, which was vandalized on November 16, 2015; Paula Criswell, member of the Bay Area Unitarian Universalist Church in Houston, TX, who participated in a rally in Webster, TX, on December 4, 2015; Plano, TX, resident Sofia Yassani, who was the subject of the "I Will Protect You" social media campaign; and Mohsin Ali, a representative from the Islamic Society of Greater Chattanooga who spoke at the memorial service for the victims of the July 16, 2015, shooting at a U.S. Navy Reserve center in Chattanooga, TN. He also referred to the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) terrorist organization.

## Statement on the Signing of the Trans-Pacific Partnership *February 3, 2016*

For more than 5 years, a group of 12 countries have negotiated a forward-looking trade deal that sets new, high standards for trade and investment in one of the world's fastest growing and most important regions. Today these countries signed the Trans-Pacific Partnership, a new type of trade deal that puts American workers first.

Right now the rules of global trade too often undermine our values and put our workers and businesses at a disadvantage. TPP will change that. It eliminates more than 18,000 taxes that various countries put on "Made in America" products. It promotes a free and open Internet and prevents unfair laws that restrict the free flow of data and information. It includes the strongest labor standards and environmental commitments in history, and unlike in past

agreements, these standards are fully enforceable. TPP allows America—and not countries like China—to write the rules of the road in the 21st century, which is especially important in a region as dynamic as the Asia-Pacific.

Put simply, TPP will bolster our leadership abroad and support good jobs here at home. That's why I released the full text of the agreement 3 months ago for all to see, and it's why I'll continue working with Democrats and Republicans in Congress to enact it into law as soon as possible so our economy can immediately start benefiting from the tens of billions of dollars in new export opportunities. We should get TPP done this year and give more American workers the shot at success they deserve and help more American businesses compete and win around the world.

## Message to the Congress on Continuation of the National Emergency With Respect to the Situation in or in Relation to Côte d'Ivoire *February 3, 2016*

*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, un-

less, within 90 days 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