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In an afternoon ceremony at the White House, the President received diplomatic credentials from Ambassadors Ana Christina Sol, El Salvador; Humayun Kabir, Bangladesh; Muhammed Abdul Ghaffar, Bahrain; Maleeha Lodhi, Pakistan; and Raymond Chretien, Canada.

February 15

In the morning, the President traveled to London, OH, where he toured the Defense Training Center at the Ohio Peace Officers Training Academy. In the afternoon, he returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to nominate Valerie Lau to be Inspector General of the Treasury Department, and Elio E. Muller, Jr., to be alternate U.S. Executive Director of the Inter-American Development Bank. He also announced he has appointed Michelle Denise Jordan as Deputy Regional Administrator, Region V, at the Environmental Protection Agency.

The President announced that he has established Presidential Emergency Board No. 224, to investigate and make recommendations for settlement of the current dispute between the Long Island Rail Road and certain of its employees represented by the United Transportation Union. The board members are:

—Dana E. Eischen of Ithica, NY, Chair;
—Tia Schneider Denenberg of Red Hook, NY; and
—Irwin M. Lieberman of Stamford, CT.

February 16

In the late morning, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled to Edison, NJ. They returned to Washington, DC, in the early evening.

February 17

The President announced his intention to appoint 15 men and women to serve as members of the Advisory Committee on Human Radiation Experiments, and that Ruth R. Faden will serve as Chair. The members are:

Ethicists
Ruth R. Faden
Ruth Macklin
Patricia A. King
Jay Katz

Historian
Susan E. Lederer

Attorney
Kenneth R. Feinberg

Epidemiologist
Duncan Thomas

Clinicians, Radiation Therapy/Nuclear Medicine
Eli J. Glatstein
Henry D. Royal
Mary Ann Stevenson

Clinician, Nonradiation/Public Health
Reed V. Tuckson

Military Medicine Specialist
Philip K. Russell

Radiation Biologist
Nancy L. Oleinick

General Scientist
Frank Press

Citizen Representative
Lois L. Norris

February 18

In the morning, the President had telephone conversations with African National Congress President Nelson Mandela on democratic reform in South Africa, and Prime Minister Tansu Ciller of Turkey on issues concerning Bosnia and Cyprus.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with chief executive officers.

The President declared a major disaster exists in Mississippi and ordered Federal funds to be released to help communities in that State recover from a winter storm which struck on February 9.

The President named Charles C. Clarke as Regional Administrator with the Environmental Protection Agency for Region 10, representing Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

NOTE: No nominations were submitted to the Senate during the period covered by this issue.

Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

Released February 14

Transcript of a press briefing by Council of Economic Advisers Chair Laura D'Andrea Tyson on the annual economic report

Transcript of a press briefing by Assistant to the President for Economic Policy Robert E. Rubin, Deputy Secretary of the Treasury Roger Altman, and Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Economic Policy Alicia Minell on the balanced budget amendment

Announcement of the Treasury Department study on the balanced budget amendment

Announcement of the schedule for health care events for older Americans

Released February 15

Announcement of the establishment of Presidential Emergency Board No. 224 on the dispute between the Long Island Rail Road and employees represented by the United Transportation Union

Released February 16

Transcript of a press briefing by Commerce Secretary Ron Brown on the Saudi Arabian aircraft contract

Fact sheet on the sale of American commercial aircraft to Saudi Arabia

Released February 17

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Dee Dee Myers

Transcript of a press briefing by Council of Economic Advisers Chair Laura D'Andrea Tyson on the national economy

Acts Approved by the President

Approved February 16

H.R. 1303 / Public Law 103–212
To designate the Federal Building and United States Courthouse located at 402 East State Street in Trenton, New Jersey, as the ''Clarkson S. Fisher Federal Building and United States Courthouse''

H.R. 2223 / Public Law 103–213
To designate the Federal building located at 525 Griffin Street in Dallas, Texas, as the ''A. Maceo Smith Federal Building''

H.R. 2555 / Public Law 103–214
To designate the Federal building located at 100 East Fifth Street in Cincinnati, Ohio, as the ''Potter Stewart United States Courthouse''

H.R. 3186 / Public Law 103–215
To designate the United States courthouse located in Houma, Louisiana, as the ''George Arceneaux, Jr., United States Courthouse''

H.R. 3356 / Public Law 103–216
To designate the United States courthouse under construction at 611 Broad Street, in Lake Charles, Louisiana, as the ''Edwin Ford Hunter, Jr., United States Courthouse''