

## Exchange With Reporters at the Jefferson Memorial

July 2, 2001

### Fourth of July

**Q.** What's the occasion, Mr. President?

**The President.** Wanted to come over. We're looking right out our window every day at the Jefferson. It's a beautiful day—wanted to come over and begin the beginning of the Fourth of July celebration here at the Jefferson Memorial. It's an opportunity to say hello to some of our fellow Americans.

**Q.** What does the Fourth mean to you, Mr. President?

**The President.** Well, it's an unimaginable honor to be the President, during the Fourth of July, of this country. It means what these words say, for starters. The great inalienable rights of our country. We're blessed with such values in America. And I—it's—I'm a proud man to be the Nation based upon such wonderful values.

I can't tell you what it's like to be in Europe, for example, to be talking about the greatness of America. But the true greatness of America are the people. And it's another reason we're here, is to be able to say hello to some of our fellow Americans who are here to celebrate.

It's good to see everybody. John [John Ber- man, ABC News], when are you getting married?

**Q.** Three weeks, sir.

NOTE: The exchange began at 3:40 p.m. A tape was not available for verification of the content of this exchange.

## Executive Order 13220—Waiver Under the Trade Act of 1974 With Respect to the Republic of Belarus

July 2, 2001

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including subsection 402(c)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974,

as amended (the "Act") (19 U.S.C. 2432(c)(2)), which continues to apply to the Republic of Belarus pursuant to subsection 402(d) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 2432(d)), and having made the report to the Congress required by subsection 402(c)(2), I hereby waive the application of subsections 402(a) and 402(b) of the Act with respect to the Republic of Belarus.

**George W. Bush**

The White House,  
July 2, 2001.

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## Memorandum on the Extension of Normal Trade Relations Status With Belarus

July 2, 2001

Presidential Determination No. 2001–20

*Memorandum for the Secretary of State*

*Subject:* Determination under Section 402(c)(2)(A) of the Trade Act of 1974— Republic of Belarus

Pursuant to section 402(c)(2)(A) of the Trade Act of 1974 (Public Law 93–618, January 3, 1975; 88 Stat. 1978) as amended (the "Act"), I determine that a waiver by Executive Order of the application of subsections (a) and (b) of section 402 of the Act with respect to the Republic of Belarus will substantially promote the objectives of section 402.

On my behalf, please transmit this determination to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and to the President of the Senate.

You are authorized and directed to publish this determination in the *Federal Register*.

**George W. Bush**