

Proclamation 7464—Amending Proclamation 7461, Display of the Flag at Half-Staff as a Mark of Respect for the Victims of the Incidents on Tuesday, September 11, 2001

September 14, 2001

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

By the authority vested in me as President of the United States by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, and in order to extend the display of the flag at half-staff as a mark of respect for the victims of the terrorist attacks on Tuesday, September 11, 2001, it is hereby ordered that Proclamation 7461 of September 11, 2001, is amended by deleting in the first sentence the words “Sunday, September 16” and inserting in their place the words “Saturday, September 22.”

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this fourteenth day of September, in the year of our Lord two thousand one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and twenty-sixth.

George W. Bush

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NOTE: This proclamation will be published in the *Federal Register* on September 19.

Remarks to Police, Firemen, and Rescueworkers at the World Trade Center Site in New York City

September 14, 2001

Audience members. U.S.A! U.S.A! U.S.A!

The President. Thank you all. I want you all to know—

Audience member. Can’t hear you.

The President. I can’t go any louder. [Laughter]

I want you all to know that America today—America today is on bended knee in

prayer for the people whose lives were lost here, for the workers who work here, for the families who mourn. This Nation stands with the good people of New York City and New Jersey and Connecticut as we mourn the loss of thousands of our citizens.

Audience member. I can’t hear you.

The President. I can hear you. I can hear you. The rest of the world hears you. And the people who knocked these buildings down will hear all of us soon.

Audience members. U.S.A! U.S.A! U.S.A!

The President. The Nation sends its love and compassion to everybody who is here. Thank you for your hard work. Thank you for making the Nation proud. And may God bless America.

Audience members. U.S.A! U.S.A! U.S.A!

NOTE: The President spoke at 4:40 p.m. at Murray and West Streets.

Statement on Congressional Action on the Supplemental Appropriations To Address the September 11 Terrorist Attacks

September 14, 2001

I am gratified that the Congress has united so powerfully by taking this action. It sends a clear message—our people are together, and we will prevail.

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 issue.

September 10

In the morning, the President went to the Washington Navy Yard, and he later returned to the White House.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Jacksonville, FL. Later, he traveled to

the Colony Beach & Tennis Resort on Longboat Key, FL.

September 11

In the morning, the President traveled to Sarasota, FL. Later, after receiving news of the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center in New York City, he traveled to Barksdale Air Force Base, LA. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had telephone conversations with the Vice President, Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld, and Laura Bush concerning the attacks. Following his arrival, he had telephone conversations with the Vice President, Secretary Rumsfeld, and Senator Charles Schumer of New York concerning the attacks.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Offutt Air Force Base, NE. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had telephone conversations with Gov. George Pataki of New York and New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani concerning the attacks. Following his arrival, he participated in a teleconference with his national security team.

Later, the President returned to Washington, DC. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had telephone conversations with former President George Bush and Laura Bush. The President also had a telephone conversation with Solicitor General Ted Olson to express his condolences over the death of Mr. Olson's wife, Barbara, who was aboard American Airlines Flight 77 when it was hijacked and crashed into the Pentagon.

In the evening, the President met with his national security team.

The President declared a major disaster in New York and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by fires and explosions on September 11.

September 12

In the morning, the President had telephone conversations with Prime Minister Tony Blair of the United Kingdom and Prime Minister Jean Chretien of Canada. He then met with congressional leaders concerning the September 11 terrorist attacks.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to the Pentagon in Arlington, VA. Later, he returned to the White House.

During the day, the President had telephone conversations with President Jacques Chirac of France, Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder of Germany, President Jiang Zemin of China, and twice with President Vladimir Putin of Russia.

September 13

In the morning, the President had telephone conversations with Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi of Japan, Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi of Italy, NATO Secretary General Lord Robertson, and Crown Prince Abdullah of Saudi Arabia concerning the September 11 terrorist attacks.

In the afternoon, the President met with Members of Congress from the Virginia and New York areas to discuss Federal efforts to help victims of the attacks.

The President had a telephone conversation with President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt concerning the terrorist attacks.

The White House announced that on September 12 the President declared an emergency in Virginia and ordered Federal aid to supplement Commonwealth and local recovery efforts in the area struck by fires and explosions on September 11.

September 14

In the afternoon, the President traveled to New York City. Later, he met with volunteers and rescueworkers at the Jacob Javits Convention Center.

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

The President announced his intention to nominate JoAnn Johnson to be a Board Member of the National Credit Union Administration.

The President announced his intention to nominate Tammy Dee McCutchen to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division.

The President announced his intention to nominate Shirlee Bowne to be a member of the Federal Housing Finance Board, and upon confirmation, she will be designated Chairman.

The President announced his intention to designate Dennis Earl Dollar to be Chairman of the National Credit Union Administration.

The President announced his intention to designate Everett Alvarez, Jr., to be Chairman of the Board of Regents of the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

Submitted September 10

Robert E. Blackburn,
of Colorado, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Colorado, vice Zita L. Weinshienk, retired.

David C. Bury,
of Arizona, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Arizona, vice a new position created by Public Law 106-553, approved December 21, 2000.

Cindy K. Jorgenson,
of Arizona, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Arizona, vice a new position created by Public Law 106-116, approved November 29, 1999.

Marcia S. Krieger,
of Colorado, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Colorado, vice Daniel B. Sparr, retired.

Richard J. Leon,
of Maryland, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Columbia, vice Norma Hollo-way Johnson, retired.

James C. Mahan,
of Nevada, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Nevada, vice a new position created by Public Law 106-553, approved December 21, 2000.

Frederick J. Martone,
of Arizona, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Arizona, vice Roger G. Strand, retired.

Cynthia Shepard Perry,
of Texas, to be U.S. Director of the African Development Bank for a term of 5 years, vice Willene A. Johnson, resigned.

Julie A. Robinson,
of Kansas, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Kansas, vice G. Thomas Van Bebber, retired.

Rockwell A. Schnabel,
of California, to be Representative of the United States of America to the European Union, with the rank and status of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary.

D. Brooks Smith,
of Pennsylvania, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, vice Timothy K. Lewis, retired.

Thomas B. Wells,
of Maryland, to be a Judge of the U.S. Tax Court for a term expiring 15 years after he takes office (reappointment).

John Stern Wolf,
of Maryland, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Non-proliferation), vice Robert J. Einhorn.

Jay B. Stephens,
of Virginia, to be Associate Attorney General, vice Daniel Marcus, resigned.

Submitted September 12

Juan Carlos Benitez,
of Puerto Rico, to be Special Counsel for Immigration-Related Unfair Employment Practices for a term of 4 years, vice John D. Trasvina, term expiring.

Ralph Leo Boyce, Jr.,
of Virginia, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Indonesia.