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In the afternoon, in the Oval Office, the President met with President Nestor Kirchner of Argentina. Later, he met with the congressional conference committee on Medicare reform.

In the evening, the President hosted a reception for Republican Members of Congress.

The President announced his intention to nominate Cristina Beato to be Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Health.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jennifer Young to be Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Legislation.

The President announced his intention to nominate Michael O'Grady to be Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Planning and Evaluation.

The President announced his intention to designate Eugene Hickok as Acting Deputy Secretary of Education.

The President announced his intention to designate Ronald Tomalis as Acting Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education.

July 24

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. He also had a telephone conversation with President Roh Moo-hyun of South Korea to discuss the situation in North Korea.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Philadelphia, PA, where he toured the Treasury Department's Philadelphia Financial Management Service Facility.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Livonia, MI. Later, he traveled to Dearborn, MI.

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

The President announced his intention to appoint Michelle Van Cleave as National Counterintelligence Executive.

July 25

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he met with Secretary of State Colin L. Powell.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with Prime Minister Mahmoud Abbas (Abu Mazen) of the Palestinian Authority. Later, in Room 450 at the Dwight D. Eisenhower Executive Office Building, he made remarks to participants in the 2003 Boys and Girls Nations.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to Camp David, MD.

The President announced his intention to nominate Barbara McConnell Barrett to be Secretary of the Air Force.

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 July 22

Peter Lichtenbaum,
of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, vice James J. Jochum.

Kerry N. Weems,
of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, vice Janet Hale, resigned.

Submitted July 25

Janice R. Brown,
of California, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, vice Stephen F. Williams, retired.

John Joseph Grossenbacher,
of Illinois, to be a member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 30, 2004, vice Richard A. Meserve, resigned.

John Joseph Grossenbacher,
of Illinois, to be a member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2009 (reappointment).

Brett M. Kavanaugh,
of Maryland, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, vice Laurence H. Silberman, retired.

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 July 21

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Nebraska

Released July 22

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Transcript of a press briefing by Securities and Exchange Commission Chairman William Donaldson and Deputy Attorney General Larry Thompson on the status report of the Corporate Fraud Task Force

Transcript of a press briefing by White House Communications Director Dan Bartlett and Deputy National Security Adviser Steve Hadley on Iraqi weapons of mass destruction and the State of the Union speech

Statement by the Press Secretary on U.S. military action against Uday and Qusay Hussein

Fact sheet: One-Year Anniversary of the President's Corporate Fraud Task Force

Released July 23

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Transcript of remarks by National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice at the Dole Institute of Politics on July 22

Text of the citations for the Presidential Medal of Freedom

Released July 24

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Fact sheet: Strengthening the Economy

Released July 25

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Statement by the Press Secretary: Liberia

Fact sheet: White House South Lawn Tee Ball

Acts Approved by the President

NOTE: No acts approved by the President were received by the Office of the Federal Register during the period covered by this issue.