

January 20

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing followed by a National Security Council meeting. Later, he met with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Camp David, MD.

The President declared a major disaster in South Carolina and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by a severe ice storm from December 15–16, 2005.

**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 January 18

Ben S. Bernanke,
of New Jersey, to be U.S. Alternate Governor of the International Monetary Fund for a term of 5 years, vice Alan Greenspan.

Donald T. Bliss,
of Maryland, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America on the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization.

Richard A. Boucher,
of Maryland, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Career Minister, to be Assistant Secretary of State for South Asian Affairs, vice Christina B. Rocca.

Gale A. Buchanan,
of Georgia, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Research, Education, and Economics, vice Joseph J. Jen, resigned.

Patricia A. Butenis,
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 People's Republic of Bangladesh.

Robert M. Couch,
of Alabama, to be President, Government National Mortgage Association, vice Ronald Rosenfeld.

Tyler D. Duvall,
of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation, vice Emil H. Frankel.

Preston M. Geren,
of Texas, to be Under Secretary of the Army, vice R.L. Brownlee, resigned.

James B. Gulliford,
of Missouri, to be Assistant Administrator for Toxic Substances of the Environmental Protection Agency, vice Stephen L. Johnson, resigned.

Roger Shane Karr,
of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation, vice Nicole R. Nason.

Nicole R. Nason,
of Virginia, to be Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, vice Jeffrey William Runge.

David L. Norquist,
of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Homeland Security, vice Andrew B. Maner.

David C. Sanborn,
of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Maritime Administration, vice William Schubert.

Jackie Wolcott Sanders,
of Virginia, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations.

Jackie Wolcott Sanders,
of Virginia, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador.

John A. Simon,
of Maryland, to be Executive Vice President
of the Overseas Private Investment Corpora-
tion, vice Ross J. Connelly, resigned.

James S. Simpson,
of New York, to be Federal Transit Adminis-
trator, vice Jennifer L. Dorn.

Mark D. Wallace,
of Florida, to be Alternate Representative of
the United States of America to the Sessions
of the General Assembly of the United Na-
tions, during his tenure of service as Rep-
resentative of the United States of America
to the United Nations for U.N. Management
and Reform.

Mark D. Wallace,
of Florida, to be Representative of the
United States of America to the United Na-
tions for U.N. Management and Reform,
with the rank of Ambassador, vice Patrick
Francis Kennedy.

Withdrawn January 18

Eugene Hickok,
of Pennsylvania, to be a member of the Na-
tional Council on the Humanities for the re-
mainder of the term expiring January 26,
2008, vice Sidney McPhee, which was sent
to the Senate on October 17, 2005.

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 January 17

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Sec-
retary Scott McClellan

Statement by the Press Secretary: Visit of
President Lech Kaczynski of Poland

Released January 18

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Sec-
retary Scott McClellan

Statement by the Press Secretary: United
States Pledges \$334 Million to Global Fight
Against Bird Flu

Released January 19

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Sec-
retary Scott McClellan

Fact sheet: President Bush's Pro-Growth and
Small Business Agenda

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster
assistance to South Carolina

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.