

Then we've got the volunteer. We got the volunteers, people who take time out of their lives to help somebody. No better way to help somebody, no better way to make somebody's life better than to find a senior and say, this is a—that doesn't understand the program, and say, "This is available for you." It's a fantastic opportunity.

Then we've got the small-business guy who sees a lot of people that are going to benefit from this program. So he's now—he's not going to say, "What can I sell you?" He's now going to say, "Here's how I'm going to help you. Here's what I'm going to do as a citizen who cares deeply about my community, how I'm going to help you."

And then we got the daughter, and sons and daughters—I keep saying this, I know, but we've got responsibilities in our society. Those of us who have been—who are coming up have got responsibilities to those who raised us, I think. A healthy society is one in which people assume responsibility, and there's no greater responsibility than loving your mom or dad. And the best way to love a mom or a dad is to learn about this drug benefit in Medicare and help them—help them apply for it, and you will have done your duty as well.

I want to thank you all for coming. I hope you got the message. The message is, there's good help coming. The law has been passed. I proudly signed it. Starting October the 1st, the different programs available for seniors will become available. In the meantime, fill out a form to qualify for the low-income benefit which will then be available, starting January the 1st. These are a lot of dates, I know, but it's not all that many. November the 15th, the program opens for enrollment. You have until May 15th so you can get the discount on the drugs. And I urge you to pass the word, and I urge you to participate. And I urge our seniors in Minnesota and all across the country to make sure you take a look at this new Medicare bill. It's going to help your life a lot.

Thank you all for coming today. I thank our panelists. God bless.

NOTE: The President spoke at 11:07 a.m. at the Maple Grove Community Center. In his remarks, he referred to Gov. Tim Pawlenty of Minnesota; Minnesota Secretary of State Mary Kiffmeyer;

Mayor Mark Steffenson of Maple Grove, MN; and Lisa Jost, community center manager, Maple Grove Community Center.

Executive Order 13380— Implementing Amendments to Agreement on Border Environment Cooperation Commission and North American Development Bank

June 17, 2005

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including section 533 of the North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act (19 U.S.C. 3473), it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1. Executive Order 12916 of May 13, 1994, is amended as follows:

(a) in section 1, by inserting “, as amended by the Protocol of Amendment done at Washington and Mexico City, November 25 and 26, 2002” after “North American Development Bank”;

(b) by striking section 2 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

“Sec. 2. (a) The Secretary of State, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall be members of the Board of Directors of the Border Environment Cooperation Commission and the North American Development Bank (“Board”) as provided in clauses (1), (3), and (5) of article II in chapter III of the Agreement.

(b) Appointments to the Board under clauses (7) and (9) of article II in chapter III of the Agreement shall be made by the President. Individuals so appointed shall serve at the pleasure of the President.

(c) The Secretary of the Treasury is selected to be the Chairperson of the Board during any period in which the United States is to select the Chairperson under article III in chapter III of the Agreement.

(d) Except with respect to functions assigned by section 4, 5, 6, or 7 of

this order, the Secretary of the Treasury shall coordinate with the Secretary of State, the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, such other agencies and officers as may be appropriate, and the individuals appointed under subsection 2(b) as may be appropriate, the development of the policies and positions of the United States with respect to matters coming before the Board.”;

- (c) in section 3, by striking subsections (a), (b), and (c), striking “(d)”, and striking “representatives” and inserting in lieu thereof “members of the Board listed in subsections 2(a) and (b)”;
- (d) in section 6, by striking “Advisory Committee” and inserting in lieu thereof “Community Adjustment and Investment Program Advisory Committee (“Advisory Committee”) established pursuant to section 543(b) of the NAFTA Implementation Act”; and
- (e) in section 7(c), by striking “Members” and inserting in lieu thereof “members”.

Sec. 2. This order is intended only to improve the internal management of the executive branch and is not intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the United States, its departments, agencies, entities, officers, employees, or agents, or any other person.

George W. Bush

The White House,
June 17, 2005.

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Statement on the Birthday of Daw Aung San Suu Kyi

June 17, 2005

I send my best wishes to Daw Aung San Suu Kyi for her 60th birthday, June 19. Her strength, courage, and personal sacrifice in standing up for the oppressed people of Burma have inspired those who stand for freedom. Only a return to democracy and reintegration with the international community can bring the freedom and prosperity that the people of Burma deserve. The United States looks forward to the time when Burma is democratic and free.

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.

June 11

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

June 13

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Oval Office, he greeted President Festus Mogae of Botswana, President John Agyekum Kufuor of Ghana, President Armando Guebuza of Mozambique, President Hifikepunye Pohamba of Namibia, and President Mamadou Tandja of Niger. They then met in the Cabinet Room.

In the afternoon, the President had a telephone conversation with President Jalal Talabani of the Iraqi Transitional Government to discuss progress on drafting the Iraq constitution, the security situation in Iraq, and other issues.

Later in the afternoon, in the Oval Office, the President met with Kang Chol-Hwan of