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Message on the Observance of Passover, 5768

April 18, 2008

Then Moses said to the people, "Commemorate this day, the day you came out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery, because the Lord brought you out of it with a mighty hand."

Exodus 13:3

I send greetings to those observing Passover.

More than 3,000 years ago, God liberated the Children of Israel from the bondage of Egypt and led them on a journey towards the Promised Land. During the holy days of Passover, Jews around the world celebrate this deliverance from oppression and give thanks to a loving God for His many blessings. Passover is an opportunity for Jewish families and friends to gather to read the Haggadah, share the Seder meal, and remember God's mercy through song and prayer. This eight-day observance brings a message of hope and freedom to the Jewish people.

Laura and I send our best wishes for a joyous Passover.

George W. Bush

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Executive Order 13463—Amending Executive Orders 13389 and 13390

April 18, 2008

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 5121–5206), it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1. Executive Order 13389 of November 1, 2005, as amended, is further amended:

(a) in subsection 2(a), by striking "Economic Policy" and inserting in lieu thereof "Homeland Security and Counterterrorism"; and

(b) in section 5, by striking "3 years from the date of this order" and inserting in lieu thereof "February 28, 2009".

Sec. 2. Subsection 5(b) of Executive Order 13390 of November 1, 2005, is amended:

(a) by striking the comma after "applicable law" and inserting "and"; and

(b) striking "3 years from the date of this order" and inserting in lieu thereof "February 28, 2009".

George W. Bush

The White House,
April 18, 2008.

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NOTE: This Executive order will be published in the *Federal Register* on April 23.

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.

April 12

In the morning, at the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX, the President had an intelligence briefing.

April 13

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

April 14

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

April 15

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Oval Office, he presented the Lifetime President's Volunteer Service Award to S. Truett Cathy. Then,