

32936, June 26, 1996), was also amended to remove these vessels from the list effective May 19, 1997. A copy of the amendment is attached to this report.

3. Over the past year, the Departments of State and the Treasury have worked closely with European Union member states and other U.N. member nations to implement the provisions of UNSCR 1022. In the United States, retention of blocking authority pursuant to the extension of a national emergency provides a framework for administration of an orderly claims settlement. This accords with past policy and practice with respect to the suspension of sanctions regimes.

4. During this reporting period, OFAC issued seven specific licenses regarding transactions pertaining to the FRY (S&M) or assets it owns or controls. Specific licenses have been issued (1) to authorize the unblocking of certain funds and other financial assets previously blocked; (2) for the payment of crews' wages, vessel maintenance, and emergency supplies for FRY (S&M)—controlled ships blocked in the United States; and (3) to authorize performance of certain transactions under pre-sanctions contracts.

During the past 6 months, OFAC has continued to oversee the maintenance of blocked accounts and records with respect to: (1) liquidated tangible assets and personality of the 15 blocked United States subsidiaries of entities organized in the (S&M); (2) the blocked personality, files, and records of the two Serbian banking institutions in New York previously placed in secure storage; (3) remaining tangible property, including real estate; and (4) the 5 Yugoslav-owned vessels recently unblocked in the United States.

5. Despite the prospective authorization of transactions with the FRY (S&M), OFAC has continued to work closely with the United States Customs Service and other cooperating agencies to investigate alleged violations that occurred while sanctions were in force.

Since my last report, OFAC has collected six civil monetary penalties totaling nearly \$39,000 for violations of the sanctions. These violations included prohibited imports, exports, contract dealings, and payments to the Government of the FRY (S&M), persons in the FRY (S&M), or to blocked entities owned or controlled by the FRY (S&M).

6. The expenses incurred by the Federal Government in the 6-month period from November 30, 1996, through May 29, 1997, that are directly attributable to the declaration of a national emergency with respect to the FRY (S&M) and the Bosnian Serb forces and authorities are estimated at approximately \$400,000, most of which represents wage and salary costs for Federal personnel. Personnel costs were largely centered in the Department of the Treasury (particularly in OFAC and its Chief Counsel's Office, and the United States Customs Service), the Department of State, the National Se-

curity Council, and the Department of Commerce.

7. In the last year and a half, substantial progress has been achieved to bring about a settlement of the conflict in the former Yugoslavia acceptable to the parties. UNSCR 1074 terminates sanctions in view of the first free and fair elections to occur in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, as provided for in the Peace Agreement. In reaffirming Resolution 1022, however, UNSCR 1074 contemplates the continued blocking of assets potentially subject to conflicting claims and encumbrances until provision is made to address them under applicable law, including claims of the other successor states of the former Yugoslavia.

The resolution of the crisis and conflict in the former Yugoslavia that has resulted from the actions and policies of the Government of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro), and of the Bosnian Serb forces and the authorities in the territory that they control, will not be complete until such time as the Peace Agreement is implemented and the terms of UNSCR 1022 have been met. Therefore, I have continued for another year the national emergency declared on May 30, 1992, as expanded in scope on October 25, 1994, and will continue to enforce the measures adopted pursuant thereto.

I shall continue to exercise the powers at my disposal with respect to the measures against the Government of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro), and the Bosnian Serb forces, civil authorities, and entities, as long as these measures are appropriate, and will continue to report periodically to the Congress on significant developments pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1703(c).

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, May 30, 1997.

REPORT CONCERNING THE GENERAL SYSTEM OF PREFERENCE (GSP) FOR CAMBODIA—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT RECEIVED DURING THE ADJOURNMENT—PM-42

Under the authority of the order of the Senate January 7, 1997, the Secretary of the Senate, on May 30, 1997, during the adjournment of the Senate, received the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

To the Congress of the United States:

The Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) program offers duty-free treatment to specified products that are imported from designated developing countries. The program is authorized by title V of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended.

Pursuant to title V, I have determined that Cambodia should be designated as a least developed bene-

ficiary developing country under the GSP program because it has taken steps to improve worker rights and the protection of intellectual property. I have also determined, as a result of the 1995 Annual Review of petitions for changes that three products should be added to the GSP list of eligible products and that the competitive need limits on 22 products should be waived. As a result of a review of 1996 imports of GSP products, I have determined that de minimis limits on 79 products be waived and 11 products, whose imports no longer exceed the program's competitive need limits, should be redesignated as GSP eligible. Finally as a result of certain provisions of the legislation enacted in August 1996 reauthorizing GSP, I am granting GSP eligibility to an additional 1,783 articles not previously included under GSP, provided that they are imported directly from the least developed beneficiary developing countries.

This notice is submitted in accordance with the requirements of title V of the Trade Act of 1974.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, May 30, 1997.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Goetz, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 956. An act to amend the National Narcotics Leadership Act of 1988 to establish a program to support and encourage local communities that first demonstrate a comprehensive, long-term commitment to reduce substance abuse among youth, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that pursuant to the provisions of 15 U.S.C. 1024(a), the Chair announces the Speaker's appointment of the following Member of the House to the Joint Economic Committee: Mr. EWING.

The message further announced that pursuant to the provisions of section 2501 of title 44, United States Code, the Chair announces the Speaker's appointment of the following Member of the House to the National Historical Publications and Records Commission: Mr. BLUNT.

MEASURE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following measure was read the first and second times by unanimous consent and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 956. An act to amend the National Narcotics Leadership Act of 1988 to establish a program to support and encourage local communities that first demonstrate a comprehensive, long-term commitment to reduce substance abuse among youth, and for other purposes.

MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

H.R. 867. An act to promote the adoption of children in foster care.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-1979. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, the report of the texts of international agreements, other than treaties, and background statements; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1980. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Visa" received on May 16, 1997; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1981. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a memorandum of justification relative to the Nonproliferation and Disarmament Fund; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1982. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a Presidential Determination relative to the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1983. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The Department of Energy National Security Programs Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 1998 and 1999"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1984. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, the notice of a retirement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1985. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the DOD Weapon Systems Sustainment Programs report for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1986. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Defense, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The NATO Joint Surveillance/Target Attack Radar System Act of 1997"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1987. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Defense, transmitting, three drafts of proposed legislation; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1988. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Defense, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The Suspension of the Mobilization Income Insurance Program"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1989. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Defense, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The Military Commissary Act of 1997"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1990. A communication from the Administrator of the Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "International Energy Outlook 1997"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1991. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Youth Conservation Corps for calendar year 1996; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1992. A communication from the Chairperson of the Klamath River Compact Com-

mission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on Compact activities; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1993. A communication from the Deputy Associate Director for Compliance, Royalty Management Program, Minerals Management Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of the intention to make refunds of offshore lease revenues where a refund or recoupment is appropriate; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1994. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and Minerals Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Pipeline Right-Of-Way Applications" (RIN1010-AC04) received on May 16, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1995. A communication from the Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the McKay Dam, Umatilla Project, Oregon; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1996. A communication from the Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Holidays and Premium Pay" (RIN3206-AH86) received on May 22, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1997. A communication from the Executive Director of the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Human Resource Management: The District Needs A Strategic Approach"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1998. A communication from the Acting Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Congressional Award Foundation for fiscal years 1995 and 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1999. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The Census of Agriculture Act of 1997"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2000. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Inspector General Act for the period October 1, 1996 through March 31, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2001. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Government in the Sunshine Act for calendar year 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2002. A committee from the Executive Director of the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of additions to the Procurement List received on May 9, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2003. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Audit of Certain Expenditures and Events in the Executive Office of the Mayor for the Period October 1, 1995 through January 31, 1997"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2004. A communication from the Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the Federal Equal Opportunity Recruitment Program for fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2005. A communication from the Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a personnel management demonstration project; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2006. A communication from the Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The Federal Employees Health Benefits Provider Integrity Amendments of 1997"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2007. A communication from the President of the U.S. Institute of Peace, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2008. A communication from the Archivist of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the proposed George Bush Presidential Library; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2009. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Contract Appeals, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of three rules including a rule entitled "Rules of Procedure for Transportation Rate Cases" (RIN3090-AG05, AG06, AG29) received on May 7, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2010. A communication from the Director of the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts, transmitting, pursuant to law, actuarial reports for the plan year ending September 30, 1995; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2011. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Inspector General Act for the period October 1, 1996 through March 31, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2012. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Inspector General Act for the period October 1, 1996 through March 31, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2013. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Inspector General Act for the period October 1, 1996 through March 31, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2014. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of an action on decision; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2015. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports relative to Notices 97-27 and 97-30; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2016. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports relative to Revenue Rulings 97-23 and 97-24; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2017. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of five Treasury regulations including a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants" (RIN1018-AC74, 1545-AU41, 1545-AV19, 1545-AS49, 1545-AU14); to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2018. A communication from the Chair of the Physician Payment Review Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Issues For Improving the Volume Performance Standard System"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2019. A communication from the Acting Commissioner of Social Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to payment cycling; to the Committee on Finance.