
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.

January 25

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush attended an Alfalfa Club Dinner.

January 27

In the morning, the President had intelligence and FBI briefings and met with the National Security Council.

Also in the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with President Jose Maria Aznar of Spain to discuss cooperation against terrorism and the situation in Iraq. He also had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Jan Peter Balkenende of the Netherlands to congratulate him on his January 22 electoral victory and to discuss the situation in Iraq.

In the afternoon, in his private dining room, the President had lunch with Vice President Dick Cheney. He then met with newspaper and magazine journalists to discuss his January 28 State of the Union Address.

During the day, the President continued preparations for his January 28 State of the Union Address.

The President announced his intention to designate Gordon England as Acting Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security.

The President announced his intention to designate Janet Hale as Acting Under Secretary for Management at the Department of Homeland Security.

The President announced his intention to designate Clark Kent Ervin as Acting Inspector General at the Department of Homeland Security.

The President announced his intention to designate Michael D. Brown as Acting Under Secretary for Emergency Preparedness and Response at the Department of Homeland Security.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the Cultural Property Advisory Committee: Joan Breton Connelly, James Lorand Matory, Nancy Clausen Wilkie, Meredith J. Long, James Wright Willis, Willard Lee Boyd, Jay I. Kislak, Aniko Gaal Schott, and Marta Araoz de la Torre.

January 28

In the morning, the President had intelligence and FBI briefings.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with network television journalists to discuss his State of the Union Address to be delivered that evening.

The White House announced that the President will host Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi of Italy for a meeting and luncheon at the White House on January 30.

January 29

In the morning, the President had intelligence and FBI briefings.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Grand Rapids, MI. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Ariel Sharon of Israel to congratulate him on his January 28 electoral victory. In Grand Rapids, he participated in a roundtable discussion on Medicare and prescription drugs at Spectrum Health hospital.

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

The President announced his intention to nominate Michael J. Garcia to be Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security (Border and Transportation Security).

The President announced his intention to appoint Col. Merdith Wyndham Bolling Temple, USA, as the Federal Member of the Susquehanna River Basin Commission (Maryland, New York, and Pennsylvania) and the Federal Member of the Delaware River Basin Commission (Delaware, New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania).

January 30

In the morning, the President had intelligence and FBI briefings.

Also in the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Jose Manuel Durao Barroso of Portugal to express his appreciation for the Prime Minister's support concerning the situation in Iraq. He also had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Goran Persson of Sweden to discuss the situation in Iraq.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi of Italy, following their meeting in the Oval Office. Later, with Secretary of State Colin Powell, he met with Minister of Foreign Affairs Saud al-Faysal al Saud and Ambassador to the U.S. Prince Bandar of Saudi Arabia to discuss cooperation against terrorism.

In the evening, the President met with U.S. military combatant commanders. Later, he and Mrs. Bush hosted the commanders, Vice President Dick Cheney, and their spouses for dinner in the White House Residence.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation: Darrell Green (Chair); Robert Dole and John Glenn (honorary Co-Chairs); Sean Astin; Clotilde Dedecker; Pedro Garcia; Luis Gonzalez; Deal W. Hudson; Wendy Kopp; Robert Nardelli; Bill Novelli; Cal Ripken, Jr.; Cokie Roberts; Hope Taft; Steve Young; Dixie Carter; and Robert D. Putnam.

The President announced his intention to nominate Eric S. Dreiband to be General Counsel of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

The President announced his intention to nominate Mary Costa and Makoto Fujimura to be members of the National Council on the Arts.

The President announced his intention to designate William Edward Franklin as U.S. Commissioner of the Kansas-Oklahoma Arkansas River Commission (Kansas and Oklahoma).

The President announced his intention to designate Albert Earnest Gilder as Alternate U.S. Commissioner of the Kansas-Oklahoma Arkansas River Commission.

January 31

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with President Vaclav

Havel of the Czech Republic to express best wishes concerning President Havel's retirement on February 2, and his support for a statement President Havel and other European leaders issued concerning the situation in Iraq. He also had a telephone conversation with President Eduardo Alberto Duhalde of Argentina concerning support for IMF economic efforts in Argentina and cooperation against terrorism.

Later in the morning, the President had intelligence and FBI briefings and met with the National Security Council. Later, he participated in an Oval Office ceremony with Mayor Michael Bloomberg of New York City and Gov. George E. Pataki of New York to transfer jurisdiction of Governors Island to the people of New York. He then met with members of the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS.

The President announced his intention to nominate Ellen G. Engleman to be a member of the National Transportation Safety Board.

The President announced his intention to designate Diane M. Stuart as Acting Director of the Violence Against Women Office at the Department of Justice.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jerry Pinkney and Karen Lias Wolff to be members of the National Council on the Arts.

The President announced his intention to appoint Jose Luis Galvez III as a member of the National Capital Planning Commission.

The President made additional disaster assistance available to the Federated States of Micronesia, which was impacted by Tropical Storm Chata'an on July 2-4, 2002.

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.
