

partnership.

I strongly urge those nations in the region who have not acceded to the treaty to do so in order to join the growing community of nations firmly bound to the principles

of nuclear nonproliferation, to strengthen the international regime against the spread of nuclear weapons, and to promote the cause of peace and global cooperation.

Letter on the Resignation of United States Supreme Court Associate Justice Thurgood Marshall

June 28, 1991

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Dear Mr. Justice:

It is with deep regret that I acknowledge your letter of retirement from the Supreme Court effective at such time as a successor is qualified.

Our Nation is deeply indebted to you for your long and distinguished public service. Your courageous leadership in the fight for equal opportunity, exemplified by your brief and oral argument in the landmark case of *Brown v. Board of Education*, is a powerful example of how one person's commitment to his convictions can shape a nation's attitude on such a fundamental issue.

Your distinguished service to our country, first on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, as our Nation's 33rd Solicitor General, and capped by a great career on the Supreme Court will also be long remembered.

Barbara and I wish you happiness and

every blessing in your years of retirement.

Sincerely,

GEORGE BUSH

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June 27, 1991

My Dear Mr. President:

The strenuous demands of court work and its related duties required or expected of a Justice appear at this time to be incompatible with my advancing age and medical condition.

I, therefore, retire as an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States when my successor is qualified.

Respectfully,

THURGOOD MARSHALL

Note: Originals were not available for verification of the content of these letters.

Letter to Congressional Leaders Reporting Budget Rescissions

June 28, 1991

Dear Mr. Speaker: (Dear Mr. President:)

In accordance with the Impoundment Control Act of 1974, I herewith report two proposed rescissions totaling \$542,000,000 and two revised deferrals of budget authority now totaling \$2,950,976,437. Including the revised deferrals, funds reported as withheld now total \$10.2 billion.

The proposed rescissions affect the Departments of Commerce and Housing and Urban Development. The deferrals affect

International Security Assistance and the Department of Health and Human Services. The details of the deferrals and proposed rescissions are contained in the attached report.

Sincerely,

GEORGE BUSH

Note: Identical letters were sent to Thomas S. Foley, Speaker of the House of Represent-