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Nomination of Henry Lee Clarke To Be United States Ambassador to Uzbekistan

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The President today announced his intention to nominate Henry Lee Clarke, of California, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador of the United States of America to the Republic of Uzbekistan.

Since 1989, Mr. Clarke has served as Economic Counselor of the American Embassy in Tel Aviv, Israel. Prior to this, he served as Deputy Chief of Mission at the American Embassy in Bucharest, Romania, 1985–89; and Economic Counselor at the American Embassy in Moscow, U.S.S.R., 1982–85.

From 1980 to 1981, Mr. Clarke served as Officer-in-Charge of Trade and Industrial Policy in the Office of European Regional Political-Economic Affairs for the U.S. Department of State.

Mr. Clarke graduated from Dartmouth College (A.B., 1962) and Harvard University (M.P.A., 1967). He was born November 15, 1941, in Fort Benning, GA. Mr. Clarke served in the U.S. Army, 1962–65. He is married, has two children, and resides in Turlock, CA.

Nomination of Edward Hurwitz To Be United States Ambassador to Kyrgyzstan

May 28, 1992

The President today announced his intention to nominate Edward Hurwitz, of the District of Columbia, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador of the United States of America to the Republic of Kyrgyzstan.

Currently Mr. Hurwitz serves as Deputy Examiner of the Board of Examiners for the Foreign Service in Washington, DC. Prior to this, he served as Director of the Office of Analysis for the U.S.S.R. and East-

ern Europe at the Department of State, 1988–91; Counsel General at the American Consulate in Leningrad, U.S.S.R., 1986–88; and Chargé d'Affaires at the American Embassy in Kabul, Afghanistan, 1983–86.

Mr. Hurwitz graduated from Cornell University (A.B., 1952). He was born March 21, 1931, in New York, NY. Mr. Hurwitz served in the U.S. Army, 1953–55. He is married, has two children, and resides in Washington, DC.

Nomination of Donald Burnham Ensenat To Be United States Ambassador to Brunei

May 28, 1992

The President today announced his intention to nominate Donald Burnham Ensenat, of Louisiana, to be Ambassador of the United States of America to Brunei Darussalam. He would succeed Christopher H. Phillips.

Since 1989, Mr. Ensenat has served as managing director of the law firm of Hoffman, Sutterfield, Ensenat & Bankston, APLC in New Orleans, LA. Prior to this, Mr. Ensenat served with Camp, Carmouche, et al. as managing director, 1985–

88; director, 1983–88; and as an associate, 1980–82.

Mr. Ensenat graduated from Yale University (B.A., 1968) and Tulane University School of Law (J.D., 1973). He was born

February 4, 1946, in New Orleans, LA. Mr. Ensenat served in the U.S. Army, 1968–74. He is married, has two children, and resides in New Orleans, LA.

Remarks to the American Legion in Phoenix, Arizona

May 28, 1992

May I thank our great Senator John McCain for that introduction and single out our Governor, Fife Symington. Greetings to all the commanders on the dais, Tony Valenzuela, Don Silva, Don Gentry. Thanks to our master of ceremonies, Joe Abodeely. And it's great, of course, to see Everett Alvarez here. And I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank Bob Stump, the Congressman from Arizona, the ranking Republican on the House Veterans Affairs Committee. He has worked hard up on Capitol Hill for the veterans of this country. I'm very sorry he couldn't be with us today, but I have great respect for his work.

It's not normal that I'm standing up here with three—maybe you're used to it in this great State of Arizona—but three winners of the Congressional Medal of Honor standing here. It really says something. I salute all of them.

And I'd like to think in some cross-sectional way that people out here in this audience and standing behind me represent, at least for today, more than 26 million veterans. It's great to be back here. An old saying goes, "Save the best for last." Well, today we're saving the best for first: The first campaign coalition to be announced for our campaign, Barry Goldwater, its honorary chairman, John McCain and Everett Alvarez, its national chairmen, and that is the Bush-Quayle '92 National Veterans Coalition. They're going to be good and strong, and I'm glad to have their support.

Now, I hope you know why I insisted the veterans be first to be unveiled. You know how service has preserved the values that make and keep us strong. John touched on that in that wonderfully generous introduction. You know how veterans have given of

themselves and often of their lives in places whose names we all know, from the Argonne, Normandy, Da Nang, and of course, most recently, in the Persian Gulf. Think of our kids and our grandkids. They have inherited your bequest of faith in the country, in family, in democracy, in God. They can never repay the veterans, all of you, for what you've done for freedom.

From the time the torch of liberty was first lit in America, veterans have shed their blood to make sure that it would never go out. And that's what this campaign must be about, what we've got to fight for, enlist our hearts and minds for: to ensure people choice for the schools, for example; for society, pluralism; for God's children, the freedom to go about their lives, their daily lives, free of fear.

Freedom can let us vote as we want and pray as we choose. Freedom can ensure the legacies for our kids of family, peace, and jobs. Above all, freedom can secure what we fought for, Guadalcanal or Inchon or Hue City or Kuwait City: a world where liberty's tide is coming in. It's running in, just as tyranny's tide is running out.

I renew my pledge today in this opening to do all that's humanly possible to account for our comrades that are missing from the past wars. As long as I am President we will never forget those POW's and MIA's.

Another pledge: As we move to a post-cold-war defense force, we cannot forget to take care of our military and civilian men and women who worked and fought so hard to ensure that freedom and democracy would prevail. For them, we will continue to work together to make sure that American veterans receive quality health care that is second to none.