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gered and threatened species, subspecies, and their populations of plants (Annex I) and animals (Annex II). Species included in these Annexes are to receive protection within the geographic area of the Protocol comparable to that for species listed as endangered or threatened under the Endangered Species Act, or protected under the Marine Mammal Protection Act. Annex III lists plants and animals requiring some management, but not necessarily full protection.

The Protocol is considered a major step forward in protecting wildlife and habitats of special concern in the Caribbean. Early ratification will demonstrate our continued commitment to the goal of sound regional environmental management and protection. I recommend that the Senate give early and favorable consideration to the Protocol and give its advice and consent to ratification, subject to the understanding and reservations described in the accompanying report of the Secretary of State.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON

The White House,
April 20, 1993.

Message to the Congress Transmitting Reports on Highway and Motor Vehicle Safety

April 20, 1993

To the Congress of the United States:

I transmit herewith the 1991 calendar year reports as prepared by the Department of Transportation on activities under the Highway Safety Act and the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966, as amended (23 U.S.C. 401 note and 15 U.S.C. 1408).

WILLIAM J. CLINTON

The White House,
April 20, 1993.

Message to the Congress Transmitting the Railroad Safety Report

April 20, 1993

To the Congress of the United States:

I transmit herewith the 1991 annual report on the Administration of the Federal Railroad Safety Act of 1970, pursuant to section 211 of the Act (45 U.S.C. 440(a)).

WILLIAM J. CLINTON

The White House,
April 20, 1993.

Nomination for Director of the Women's Bureau

April 20, 1993

The President will nominate Karen Nussbaum, who holds leadership positions in several women's and workers' organizations, to be Director of the Department of Labor's Women's Bureau, the White House announced today. The Women's Bureau is responsible for programs aimed at meeting the needs of working women.

"Karen Nussbaum has been organizing working women for two decades," said the President. "She is uniquely qualified for this important job."

NOTE: A biography of the nominee was made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.