Nomination for an Assistant Secretary of Labor
July 1, 1993

The President announced his intention today to nominate Joseph Dear, formerly director of the State of Washington’s Department of Labor and Industries, to be the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health. In that role, he will serve as the Administrator of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

“With his experience running a major State agency regulating workplace safety and related matters, Joseph Dear is an outstanding choice for this important position,” said the President. “During his tenure in Washington, he turned a deficit into a $350 million surplus in the workers’ compensation budget. He established a health care cost containment and quality assurance program and overhauled the workers’ compensation system to save the taxpayers money while increasing benefits to workers. That is the kind of leadership I want to have at OSHA.”

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

Nomination for Posts at the Peace Corps
July 1, 1993

The President today announced his intention to nominate former Peace Corps volunteer Carol Bellamy, an attorney and former New York State Senator and president of the New York City Council, as Director of the Peace Corps. The President also approved attorney Brian Sexton as Peace Corps General Counsel.

“Throughout her career, Carol Bellamy has achieved success in both the corporate world and in her own initiatives to improve the lives of those less fortunate,” the President said. “I am confident she will use her experience in both of those areas to fulfill the important mission of the Peace Corps.”

NOTE: Biographies of the nominees were made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

Statement by the Press Secretary on Assistance to Haiti
July 1, 1993

On June 25, 1993, the President signed Presidential Determination No. 93–28 on the Haiti Reconstruction and Reconciliation Fund. The determination, signed after careful consultation with the relevant committees of the Congress, waives legal restrictions on providing assistance to Haiti in order to provide up to about $37.5 million from prior year Haiti foreign military financing and development assistance funds and from prior year Bolivia and Peru economic support and foreign military funds.

President Jean-Bertrand Aristide, who requested outside assistance, including for military professionalization, in a letter to the U.N. and OAS Secretaries-General, has indicated his agreement with these broad objectives.

This assistance package is designed to support negotiations to restore democracy to Haiti and the implementation of a phased political solution. Disbursement will be carefully timed to support the negotiations and respond to concrete progress toward restoring democracy. The Department of State is notifying the relevant committees of its intention to carry out the reprogrammings this Presidential determination authorizes and will consult further with the Congress on the military assistance component of this assistance package.