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the section 481(i) definitions, however, have provided a generally sound and consistent basis for classifying major drug producing and transit countries, we will continue to use them with some practical adjustments to take into account more accurate measurement techniques and the effect on the illicit U.S. drug market. We will not add or remove countries to or from the major drug producers list until we have our own confirmation that conditions in the country so warrant.

We expect to revise the list during 1993 based on information in the next International Narcotics Control Strategy Report and survey information. At this time, there are reports that there may be significant illicit cultivation of opium poppies in Vietnam and in the former Soviet Central Asian republics. When we complete the relevant surveys of these countries, we will decide whether the data justify their inclusion on the list.

The following countries are subject to certification on narcotics cooperation: The Bahamas, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Guatemala, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Venezuela, Afghanistan, India, Iran, Lebanon, Morocco, Nigeria, Pakistan, Syria, Burma, China, Hong Kong, Laos, Malaysia, and Thailand.

Sincerely,

Bill Clinton

NOTE: Identical letters were sent to William H. Natcher, chairman, House Committee on Appropriations; Robert C. Byrd, chairman, Senate Committee on Appropriations; Claiborne Pell, chairman, Senate Committee on Foreign Relations; and Lee H. Hamilton, chairman, House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Statement on the Withdrawal of Kimba Wood as a Candidate for Attorney General

February 5, 1993

I understand and respect Judge Wood's decision not to proceed further with the possibility of being nominated as Attorney General. I was greatly impressed with her as a lawyer, a judge, and a person. I respect her legal talents, judicial record, and integrity. I wish her well.

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 30

In the morning, the President and Hillary Clinton went to Camp David, MD, for a retreat with the Cabinet and White House senior staff members.

January 31

In the afternoon, after the conclusion of the retreat with the Cabinet and White House senior staff members, the President returned to the White House from Camp David, MD.

February 1

In the morning, the President participated in CIA and national security briefings at the White House.

February 2

In the morning, the President participated in CIA and national security briefings at the White House. Later, he met with Democratic congressional leaders at the Capitol.

In the afternoon, the President met with economic advisers.

February 3

In the morning, the President participated in CIA and national security briefings at the White House.

February 4

In the morning, the President participated in CIA and national security briefings. Later, he met with House Democratic congressional leaders at the Capitol.

In the afternoon, the President met at the White House with:

—Senator Dianne Feinstein;

—Girl Scouts from Los Angeles, CA;

—women athletes representing the Women's Sports Foundation on National Girls and Women in Sports Day;

—freshmen Members of Congress.

February 5

In the morning, the President participated in CIA and national security briefings at the White House.

In the afternoon, the President met in the Blue Room with representatives of the American Association of Retired Persons.

In the evening, the President met with economic advisers.

The President designated the following persons to the positions indicated:

James H. Quello as Chair of the Federal Communications Commission on an interim basis.

Elizabeth Anne Moler as Chair of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission on an interim basis.

Gail C. McDonald as Chair of the Interstate Commerce Commission on an interim basis.

John A. Gannon as Acting Chairperson of the National Council on Disability.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

NOTE: No nominations were submitted to the Senate during the period covered by this issue.

Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

Released February 1

Transcript of a press briefing by Director of Communications George Stephanopoulos

Released February 2

Transcript of a press briefing by Director of Communications George Stephanopoulos

Transcript of a press briefing by Deputy Assistant to the President for Domestic Affairs Bruce Reed on welfare reform

Released February 3

Transcript of a press briefing by Director of Communications George Stephanopoulos

Released February 4

Transcript of a press briefing by Director of Communications George Stephanopoulos

Released February 5

Transcript of a press briefing by Director of Communications George Stephanopoulos

Acts Approved by the President

Approved February 5

H.R. 1 / Public Law 103–3
Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993