

The President. I have had no communication from him today, or if it has, it hasn't been communicated to——

Q. Thank you.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Germany

Q. How about Mr. Kohl? Has Mr. Kohl called you about a summit?

The President. If he has, no one on my staff has told me he's called me today.

NOTE: The exchange began at 5:35 p.m. in the Roosevelt Room at the White House. A tape was not available for verification of the content of this exchange.

Statement on the Death of Dr. David Gunn

March 11, 1993

I was saddened and angered by the fatal shooting in Pensacola yesterday of Dr. David Gunn. The violence against clinics must stop. As a nation committed to rule of law, we cannot allow violent vigilantes to restrict the rights of American women. No person seeking medical care and no physician providing that care should have to endure harassment, threats, or intimidation.

Announcement of the Continuation of Foreign Service Officers in Three Sub-Cabinet Posts at the Department of State

March 11, 1993

The President announced today that three career Foreign Service officers will continue serving in State Department positions that they currently hold. The three are Genta Hawkins Holmes, Director General of the Foreign Service and Director of Personnel, Robert Gallucci, Assistant Secretary for Politico-Military Affairs, and Anthony Quainton, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Diplomatic Security.

"I am very pleased with the team that Secretary Christopher and I are assembling at the Department of State," said the President. "I am particularly gratified that we have been able to put a number of people into senior

positions who have devoted their careers to the Foreign Service."

Genta Hawkins Holmes became the Director General of the Foreign Service and Director of Personnel in September of 1992. Prior to that, she was the first U.S. Ambassador to Namibia. She has also served as Deputy Chief of Mission at American Embassies in South Africa, Haiti, and Malawi, and at posts in the Bahamas, Switzerland, France, and the Ivory Coast.

Ms. Holmes is also a former Assistant Administrator for Legislative Affairs of the Agency for International Development and has worked in the State Department's Bureau of Congressional Relations, Office of International Finance/Bureau of Economic Affairs, and Office of the Special Assistant to the Secretary for Refugees. She holds a B.A. in international relations from the University of Southern California and attended the London School of Economics on a graduate fellowship.

Robert Gallucci will be continuing in a position that he assumed in July 1992. Immediately prior to that, he was the Senior Coordinator responsible for nonproliferation and nuclear safety initiatives in the former Soviet Union. From April 1991 to February 1992, he was the Deputy Executive Chairman of the U.N. special commission overseeing the disarmament of Iraq.

Dr. Gallucci began his foreign affairs career at the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency in 1974. He has also served as a division chief in State's Bureau of Intelligence and Research, as a member of the Secretary's Policy Planning Staff, and as an office director in both the Bureau of Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs and in the Bureau of Politico-Military Affairs. From 1984 to 1988, he was Deputy Director General of the Multinational Force and Observers in Rome. He has also served on the faculty of the National War College.

A native of Brooklyn, NY, Dr. Gallucci holds a B.A. from the State University of New York at Stony Brook, and master's and doctoral degrees from Brandeis University. He taught at Swarthmore College, Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, and Georgetown, and is the author

of a number of publications, including "Neither Peace nor Honor: The Politics of American Military Policy in Viet-Nam."

Anthony Quainton has been Assistant Secretary for Diplomatic Security since September 1992. Prior to that, he had served as Ambassador to Peru and as the Department's Deputy Inspector General. He has also been Ambassador to Kuwait, Nicaragua, and the Central African Republic, and Director of the Office for Combatting Terrorism.

From 1973 to 1976, Mr. Quainton was Deputy Chief of Mission in Kathmandu. He has served as political officer at the U.S. Embassy in Paris and was the Bureau of Near East and South Asian Affairs senior political officer for India. He has also been the political/economic officer in New Delhi and an economic officer in Rawalpindi and Karachi. He joined the Department in 1959 as vice consul and commercial officer in Sydney.

He is a graduate of Princeton University and attended Oxford University as a Marshall scholar and a research fellow.

Remarks at the Swearing-In Ceremony for Janet Reno as Attorney General

March 12, 1993

Thank you very much. Please be seated. We are honored here in the White House to be joined today by distinguished Members of the Senate and the House: Senator Biden, Senator Hatch, Senator Kennedy, Senator Sarbanes, one of Janet Reno's Senators, Senator Connie Mack. Senator Graham called me last night. He's in Florida today with the First Lady at a health care hearing. And he said he had an excused absence from the Attorney General. *[Laughter]*

The Speaker and Congressman Edwards are here, and we're delighted to see all of them. I also would say we're delighted to be joined by Mr. Justice White and Mrs. White. Thank you very much for coming. Let me say that it is a great honor for me to be able to be here at this ceremony today with Janet Reno, her family, and a few of her many friends.

I'd like to say a special word of thanks to Stuart Gerson, who has served ably and hon-

orably as Acting Attorney General since the Inauguration. I think we owe him a round of applause. *[Applause]*

Somehow I don't think any of my other proposals will pass the Senate by the same vote margin—*[laughter]*—that Janet's confirmation did. I especially want to thank Senator Biden and Senator Hatch and the members of the Judiciary Committee for waiving the normal waiting period between hearings and the confirmation vote, making this event possible today and making it possible for us to proceed immediately with the urgent tasks at hand.

But more than anything else, I think it is clear that Janet Reno made her own swift confirmation possible, showing the Senate and all who followed the hearings the qualities of leadership and integrity, intelligence, and humanity that those gathered in this room have recognized for a very long time.

You shared with us the life-shaping stories of your family and career that formed your deep sense of fairness and your unwavering drive to help others to do better. You showed us that your career in public service, working on the frontlines in your community, fighting crime, understanding the impact on victims and on neighborhoods, mending the gritty social fabric of a vibrant but troubled urban area, is excellent preparation for carrying forward the banner of justice for all the American people.

You'll help to guide the Federal Government to assist State and local law enforcement in ways that really count. You demonstrated that you will be a formidable advocate for the vulnerable people in our society and especially for our children.

Most of all, you proved to the Nation that you are a strong and an independent person who will give me your best legal judgment whether or not it's what I want to hear. *[Laughter]* It's an experience I've already had, I'm glad to say. That is the condition upon which you accepted my nomination and the only kind of Attorney General that I would want serving in this Cabinet.

As Janet Reno begins her work at the Justice Department, she will enter a building that symbolizes our Nation's commitment to