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The President. Well, let me tell you, the votes that really matter here—first of all, let's give him a hand. I think that was quite a moving thing. [*Applause*]

I wanted to end with that because I was so moved by the letter that he wrote to Hillary. And it seemed to sort of capture so many of these things that we talk about in kind of esoteric terms: preexisting conditions; people falling in between the gaps; why you can't change jobs; all that kind of stuff. And you hear a story and you realize that this is the business of America.

But the votes that really matter here are the votes of the Members of Congress. So before we leave, I'd like to ask the Members of Congress who sat through this entire panel to please stand and be recognized. I see Congresswoman DeLauro there and Congresswoman Eshoo there, who are standing, so they can't stand; and Congressman Serrano's in the back. Would all the Members of Congress who are here please stand so you can see them?

Thank you, Mr. Bowles. Thank you, Congressman. And thank you most of all to these fine members of our small business family in America.

Thank you. We're adjourned.

NOTE: The President spoke at 10:46 a.m. in Room 450 of the Old Executive Office Building.

Memorandum on Assistance to Certain States of the Former Soviet Union

March 22, 1994

Presidential Determination No. 94–18

Memorandum for the Secretary of State

Subject: Eligibility of Albania, Bulgaria, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, and Romania To Be Furnished Defense Articles and Services Under the Foreign Assistance Act and the Arms Export Control Act

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by section 503(a) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, and section 3(a)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, I hereby find that the furnishing of defense articles and services to the Governments of Albania, Bulgaria, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, and Romania will strengthen the security of the United States and promote world peace.

You are authorized and directed to report this funding to the Congress and to publish it in the *Federal Register*.

William J. Clinton

Nomination for Ambassador to the United Kingdom

March 22, 1994

The President today announced his intent to nominate Admiral William Crowe, Jr., as Ambassador to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

In announcing this nomination, President Clinton said, "Admiral Crowe has distinguished himself throughout four decades of dedicated public service. I am very pleased that he will continue his service to this Nation and that I will be able to rely on his wise counsel in this very important position."

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

Nomination for Seven Federal Judges

March 22, 1994

The President announced the nominations today of seven individuals to serve on the Federal bench. The President nominated Theodore A. McKee to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. He also announced six U.S. District Court nominees: Paul L. Friedman, Gladys Kessler, Emmet G. Sullivan and Ricardo M. Urbina for the District of Columbia; Vanessa D. Gilmore for the Southern District of Texas; and Raymond L. Finch for the District of the Virgin Islands.

"These seven men and women have outstanding records of achievement in the legal profession and in public service," the President said today. "I am proud to nominate these distinguished individuals to serve as Federal judges."

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