

mothers have used their talents, ideals, and energies to shape our families, communities, and Nation. For their abiding devotion, love, patience, and loyalty, mothers, whether biological, foster, or adoptive, hold an enduring place in our hearts. They are anchors of their American families—our Nation's most important source of strength. My own mother's courage and determination profoundly influenced me in so many ways, and she will always remain a guiding force throughout my life.

Mother's Day gives us time to pause and reflect on the manner in which mothers contribute to their families and the Nation through their hard work, dedication, and daily sacrifices. We can best observe Mother's Day by expressing our thanks and our gratitude for the blessings and bounties that motherhood holds.

**Now, Therefore, I, William J. Clinton,** President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim Sunday, May 8, 1994, as "Mother's Day." I urge all Americans to express their love and respect for their mothers and to consider how much they have contributed to the well-being of our country. I call upon all citizens to observe this day with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

**In Witness Whereof,** I have hereunto set my hand this fifth day of May, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and eighteenth.

**William J. Clinton**

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**Statement by the Press Secretary on the President's Telephone Conversation With Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou of Greece**  
*May 6, 1994*

President Clinton spoke yesterday with Greek Prime Minister Andreas Papandreou

regarding efforts to resolve issues relating to the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Cyprus. The President expressed his hope that the differences between Greece and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia could be resolved quickly. The President underscored the importance of the U.N. negotiating process led by Cyrus Vance and supported by U.S. Special Envoy Matthew Nimetz. The President and Prime Minister Papandreou agreed that the issue ought to be resolved promptly. President Clinton also expressed his support for the U.N.-sponsored confidence building measures in Cyprus which he said were the best hope of making progress on issues important to all the parties.

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**Digest of Other White House Announcements**

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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.

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**May 2**

In the evening, the President met with congressional leaders to discuss the assault weapons ban.

**May 3**

In the morning, the President traveled to Atlanta, GA. In the afternoon, he was given a tour of the CNN International Studio. He returned to Washington, DC, in the evening.

The President announced his intention to nominate Gus A. Owen as a member of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and Robert J. Huggett as the Assistant Administrator for Research and Development at the Environmental Protection Agency.

**May 4**

In the evening, the President attended a fundraiser for Gov. Ann Richards of Texas at the Washington Court Hotel.

The President announced his intention to nominate Nancy Gist to be Director of the Bureau of Justice Assistance.