

dreams than the forces working to undermine them.

And if we use these great positive forces, if we guide them, if we shape them, if we remain committed to making them work for us, we can make our people more secure and more prosperous. Look at what is happening in Central Europe. Every day, open societies and open economies are gaining strength. Every day, new entrepreneurs and businesses are spurring growth and are creating jobs in their own countries and for us back here in America as well. It is in our national interest to help them succeed. We cannot afford to do otherwise.

Just 6 years ago, the countries of Central Europe were still captive nations. Now, 120 million people have the freedom to speak their own minds, to create, to build, to prosper, to dream dreams and try to fulfill them. This new freedom is the fruit of Europe's struggle and America's support. We owe it to those who brought us this far—more importantly, we owe it to ourselves and to our children—not to turn our backs on their historic achievement or this historic moment. That is why this administration will not retreat. We will continue to reach out, working together, trading together, joining together. We will fulfill the great promise of this moment.

Thank you very much.

NOTE: The President spoke at 10:15 a.m. in the Grand Ballroom at the Stouffer Renaissance Hotel. In his remarks, he referred to Mayor Michael R. White of Cleveland. A tape was not available for verification of the content of these remarks.

Statement on Bilateral Investment Treaties With Albania and Latvia

January 13, 1995

These bilateral investment treaties put in place a strong foundation for expanded U.S. trade and investment with the reforming democracies of Central and Eastern Europe. They are another step toward integrating Europe's new democracies with an expanding transatlantic community. Americans and Central Europeans alike will benefit through the increased business.

NOTE: This statement was included in a White House statement announcing the signing of the bilateral investment treaties.

Statement on New Investment Funds for Central and Eastern Europe

January 13, 1995

In Prague last January, I promised we would create investment funds for Central and Eastern Europe. This January we have four of them. They can mean billions of dollars in capital investment to help fuel economic development in the region while creating jobs for Americans at home.

NOTE: This statement was included in a White House statement announcing the new investment funds.

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 10

In the morning, the President traveled to Galesburg, IL. Following his arrival, he went to Carl Sandburg College where he participated in an informal discussion with area students, graduates, and employers.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC.

The White House announced the President has invited President Mircea Snegur of Moldova to meet with him at the White House on January 30.

The White House announced the President, at the invitation of the Canadian Government, will make his first state visit to Ottawa on February 23–24.

January 11

The President announced that he has nominated Sheila C. Cheston to be General Counsel of the United States Air Force.

January 12

In the evening, the President and Hillary and Chelsea Clinton attended the play "Tommy" at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

The President announced his intention to appoint Kay Dickersin to the National Cancer Advisory Board.

The President announced his intention to appoint Timothy Finchem and Al Mead to the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports.

The President announced his intention to appoint Samuel J. Simmons to the Policy Committee of the White House Conference on Aging.

The President announced his intention to designate William T. Esrey to be Chairman and Charles R. Lee to be Vice Chairman of the President's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee.

January 13

In the morning, the President traveled to Cleveland, OH, where he met with a group of Central and Eastern European-Americans and with representatives of Central and Eastern European news organizations at the Stouffer Renaissance Hotel.

In the afternoon, the President met with participants of the White House Conference on Trade and Investment in Central and Eastern Europe. He then went to Cleveland-Hopkins International Airport where he met with the editorial board of the Cleveland Plain-Dealer in the conference room at the IX Jet Center. He then returned to Washington, DC.

In the evening, the President and Hillary and Chelsea Clinton traveled to Camp David, MD, for the weekend.

The White House announced the President moved the effective date of the latest California flood disaster back from January 6 to January 3.

The President announced his intention to appoint S. David Fineman to the Board of Governors of the U.S. Postal Service.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals to the National Skill Standards Board:

- James R. Houghton;
- Vera Katz;

- Marc S. Tucker; and
- Alan L. Wurtzel.

**Nominations
Submitted to the Senate**

The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

Submitted January 10

Ray L. Caldwell,
of Virginia, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Burdensharing.

Johnnie Carson,
of Illinois, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Zimbabwe.

Herman E. Gallegos,
of California, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the 49th Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Lawrence Harrington,
of Tennessee, to be U.S. Alternate Executive Director of the Inter-American Development Bank, vice Richard C. Houseworth, resigned.

Lee C. Howley,
of Ohio, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the 49th Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Jeanette W. Hyde,
of North Carolina, to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Antigua and Barbuda, and as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of