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Blair of the United Kingdom and leaders of the Ulster Unionist Party, Sinn Fein, and the Social Democratic and Labour Party.

In the afternoon, the President and Hillary and Chelsea Clinton traveled to North Aylesbury, England. During the day, the President also had separate telephone conversations with Vice President Gore and President-elect George W. Bush.

The President declared a major disaster in Wyoming and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe winter storms on October 31 and continuing through November 20.

December 14

In the morning, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled to London, where they had an audience with Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II of England in the Queen's Audience Room at Buckingham Palace. In the afternoon, the President and Hillary Clinton traveled to Coventry, England, and later, they returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced the recipients of the National Medal of Arts and the National Humanities Medal, which will be presented at a ceremony on December 20 at D.A.R. Constitution Hall.

December 15

The President announced the appointment of Richard L. Friedman as Chair and member of the National Capital Planning Commission.

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 December 15

Edwin A. Levine,
of Florida, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, vice David Gardiner, resigned.

Islam A. Siddiqui,
of California, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Marketing and Regulatory Programs, vice Michael V. Dunn.

Sarah McCracken Fox,
of New York, to be a member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission for a term expiring April 27, 2005, vice Stuart E. Weisberg, term expired.

Julie E. Samuels,
of Virginia, to be Director of the National Institute of Justice, vice Jeremy Travis, resigned.

Withdrawn December 15

Stuart E. Weisberg,
of Maryland, to be a member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission for a term expiring April 27, 2005, which was sent to the Senate on February 3, 2000.

Stuart E. Weisberg,
of Maryland, to be a member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission for a term expiring April 27, 2005, which was sent to the Senate on May 11, 1999.

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 December 9

Transcript of a press briefing by National Economic Council Director Gene Sperling and Council of Economic Advisers Chairman Martin Baily on the national economy

Released December 11

Announcement: Official Delegation Accompanying the President to Ireland, Northern Ireland, and England

Released December 12

Transcript of a press readout by National Security Adviser Samuel Berger on the President's visit to Ireland

Statement by the Press Secretary on Secretary of Energy Bill Richardson's upcoming travel to Kiev, Ukraine, to represent the U.S. at a ceremony marking the closure of the Chernobyl nuclear powerplant

Released December 13

Citation for the Presidential Citizens Medal awarded posthumously to David B. Hermelin

Released December 14

Announcement: President Clinton Announces Year 2000 Recipients of National Medal of Arts and National Humanities Medal

Released December 15

Transcript of a press briefing by NSC National Coordinator for Security Infrastructure Protection and Counterterrorism Richard Clarke, Assistant Secretary of State for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Rand Beers, Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Enforcement Joseph Myers, and NSC International Crime Group Director Fred Rosa on the International Crime Threat Assessment

Fact sheet: Migrant Smuggling and Trafficking in Persons Coordination Center

Fact sheet: Progress in Efforts To Combat International Crime

Fact sheet: International Crime Threat Assessment

Acts Approved by the President

Approved December 8 *

H.J. Res. 128 / Public Law 106–540
Making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001, and for other purposes

Approved December 11

S. 2796 / Public Law 106–541
Water Resources Development Act of 2000

H.J. Res. 129 / Public Law 106–542
Making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001, and for other purposes

*This law was not received in time for publication in the appropriate issue.