

United States at the inauguration of President Xanana Gusmao of East Timor on May 22: former President Bill Clinton, who will lead the delegation; Richard Holbrooke; James Kelly; Karen Brooks; Shari Villarosa; and Brig. Gen. John G. Castellaw, USMC.

The President announced his intention to nominate John William Blaney to be Ambassador to Liberia.

### **May 15**

In the morning, the President had a breakfast meeting with Speaker of the House of Representatives J. Dennis Hastert, Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, Senate Minority Leader Trent Lott, and House Minority Leader Richard A. Gephardt to discuss the congressional agenda. He then had CIA and FBI briefings. Later in the morning, he met with members of the United Jewish Communities to discuss the proposed "Charity Aid, Recovery, and Empowerment Act of 2002." He then met with the House Republican Conference at the Capitol, to discuss defense and domestic issues.

Also in the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee of India to express his condolences for the victims of the May 14 terrorist attack in Jammu and Kashmir.

### **May 16**

In the morning, the President had intelligence briefings. In the afternoon, he met with the Senate Republican Conference at the Capitol, to discuss the upcoming congressional agenda.

The President declared a major disaster in New York and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by an earthquake on April 20.

### **May 17**

In the morning, the President met with Prime Minister Janez Drnovsek of Slovenia to discuss bilateral issues.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Camp David, MD.

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## **Nominations Submitted to the Senate**

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

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### **Submitted May 13**

James E. Boasberg,  
of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of 15 years, vice Gregory E. Mize, retired.

Gene B. Christy,  
of Texas, 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 Brunei Darussalam.

Douglas L. Flory,  
of Virginia, to be a member of the Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration, for a term expiring October 13, 2006, vice Michael V. Dunn.

Phyllis C. Hunter,  
of Texas, to be a member of the National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board for a term of 2 years (new position).

Kristie A. Kenny,  
of Maryland, 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 Ecuador.

Susanne T. Mitchell,  
of Virginia, to be Chairman of the Merit Systems Protection Board, vice Beth Susan Slavet.

Barbara Calandra Moore,  
of Maryland, 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 Nicaragua.

**Submitted May 15**

Charles E. Beach, Sr., of Iowa, to be U.S. Marshal for the Southern District of Iowa for the term of 4 years, vice Phylliss Jeanette Henry, resigned.

John William Blaney, of Virginia, 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 Liberia.

Kevin Vincent Ryan, of California, to be U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of California for the term of 4 years, vice Robert S. Mueller III.

J.B. Van Hollen, of Wisconsin, to be U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin for the term of 4 years, vice Peggy A. Lautenschlager, resigned.

**Submitted May 16**

Emil H. Frankel, of Connecticut, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation, vice Eugene A. Conti, Jr., resigned, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Gerald Reynolds, of Missouri, to be Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, Department of Education, vice Norma V. Cantu, resigned, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Dennis L. Schornack, of Michigan, to be Commissioner on the part of the United States on the International Joint Commission, United States and Canada, vice Thomas L. Baldini, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Jeffrey Shane, of the District of Columbia, to be Associate Deputy Secretary of Transportation, vice Stephen D. Van Beek, resigned, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Michael E. Toner, of the District of Columbia, to be a member of the Federal Election Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2007, vice Darryl R. Wold, term expired, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

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**Checklist  
of White House Press Releases**


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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.

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**Released May 13**

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Secretary Ari Fleischer

Announcement of nomination for Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia and designation of Chief Judge of the U.S. Court of Federal Claims

**Released May 14**

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Ari Fleischer

Statement by the Press Secretary: Senator Danforth's Report to the President on Sudan

Fact sheet: History of Senator John Danforth as Envoy for Peace in Sudan

Announcement of nominations for U.S. Attorneys for the Northern District of California and the Western District of Wisconsin and U.S. Marshal for the Southern District of Iowa

Announcement: Homeland Security Director Tom Ridge To Travel to Buffalo, New York, To Meet With Deputy Prime Minister John Manley To Discuss Border Security Issues

**Released May 15**

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Ari Fleischer