

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to Baltimore, MD, and in the evening returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to nominate Steven B. Nesmith to be Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations.

October 3

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Mikulas Dzurinda of Slovakia to congratulate him on his electoral victory. Later, he had intelligence and FBI briefings.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with Vice President Dick Cheney and later met with the LULAC National Board of Directors.

In the evening, in the State Dining Room at the White House, the President welcomed Blair House Gala participants.

October 4

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Boston, MA, and later to the Bush family home on Walker's Point in Kennebunkport, ME.

The President announced his intention to nominate Robert J. Battista to be a member of the National Labor Relations Board and, upon confirmation, to designate him as Chairman.

The President announced his intention to nominate Wilma B. Liebman to be a member of the National Labor Relations Board.

The President announced his appointment of Timothy Alan Campen as Director of the Office of Administration.

The President announced his intention to appoint Thomas C. Dorr as a member of the Board of Directors of the Rural Telephone Bank.

The President declared a major disaster in Louisiana and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Hurricane Lili beginning October 1 and continuing.

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 September 30

Albert Casey,
of Texas, to be a Governor of the U.S. Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2009, vice Tirso del Junco, term expired, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Thomas C. Dorr,
of Iowa, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation, vice Jill L. Long, resigned, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Thomas C. Dorr,
of Iowa, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Rural Development, vice Jill L. Long, resigned, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Cheryl Feldman Halpern,
of New Jersey, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2008, vice Heidi H. Schulman, term expired, to which position she was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Tony Hammond,
of Virginia, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission for the remainder of the term expiring October 14, 2004, vice Edward Jay Gleiman, resigned, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Susanne T. Marshall,
of Virginia, to be Chairman of the Merit Systems Protection Board, vice Beth Susan Slavet, to which position she was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Philip Merrill, of Maryland, to be President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for the remainder of the term expiring January 20, 2005, vice John E. Robson.

W. Scott Railton, of Virginia, to be a member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission for a term expiring April 27, 2007, vice Gary L. Visscher, term expired, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Submitted October 2

Mark B. McClellan, of the District of Columbia, to be Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Department of Health and Human Services, vice Jane E. Henney, resigned.

Submitted October 4

Robert J. Battista, of Michigan, to be a member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of 5 years expiring December 16, 2007, vice Wilma B. Liebman, term expiring.

Wilma B. Liebman, of the District of Columbia, to be a member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of 5 years expiring August 27, 2006, vice Peter J. Hurtgen.

Withdrawn October 4

Robert J. Battista, of Michigan, to be a member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of 5 years expiring August 27, 2006, vice Peter J. Hurtgen, which was sent to the Senate on June 13, 2002.

**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 September 30

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Secretary Ari Fleischer

Released October 1

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Ari Fleischer

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Mississippi

Advance text: Remarks by Dr. Condoleezza Rice, Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, to the Manhattan Institute's Wriston Lecture

Released October 2

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Ari Fleischer

Fact sheet: White House Conference on Missing, Exploited, and Runaway Children

Released October 3

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Ari Fleischer

Fact sheet: Presidential National Security Authority and the Federal Workforce

Released October 4

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Secretary Ari Fleischer

Transcript of an addendum to the press gaggle by Press Secretary Ari Fleischer

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Louisiana

Statement of U.S. Labor Secretary Elaine L. Chao on the Work Stoppage at the West Coast Ports

Announcement by National Economic Council Director Larry Lindsey on the appointment of Doug Badger as Special Assistant to the President for Economic Policy

Announcement by White House Communications Director Dan Bartlett on the appointment of Suzy DeFrancis as Deputy Assistant to the President for Communications