

is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. I have sent the enclosed notice, stating that the Burma emergency is to continue beyond May 20, 2003, to the *Federal Register* for publication. The most recent notice continuing this emergency was published in the *Federal Register* on May 17, 2002.

The crisis between the United States and Burma that led to the declaration of a national emergency on May 20, 1997, has not been resolved. The actions and policies of the Government of Burma, including its policies of committing large-scale repression of the democratic opposition in Burma, are hostile to U.S. interests and pose a continuing unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States. For this reason, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency with respect to Burma and maintain in force the sanctions against Burma to respond to this threat.

George W. Bush

The White House,
May 16, 2003.

**Message to the Congress
Transmitting a Report on the
National Emergency With Respect to
Burma**

May 16, 2003

To the Congress of the United States:

As required by section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), I am providing a report prepared by my Administration, covering the 6-month period since November 20, 2002, on the national emergency with respect to Burma that was declared in Executive Order 13047 of May 20, 1997.

George W. Bush

The White House,
May 16, 2003.

**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.

May 10

In the morning, at the home of family friend Roland Betts in Santa Fe, NM, the President had an intelligence briefing.

The President declared a major disaster in Oklahoma and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and tornadoes on May 8 and continuing.

May 12

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Albuquerque, NM, where he met with small-business owners and employees at MCT Industries.

In the afternoon, the President had a telephone conversation with major league baseball player Rafael Palmeiro to congratulate him on hitting his 500th home run. Later, he traveled to Omaha, NE, where, at Airlite Plastics, he participated in a roundtable meeting with married couples to discuss proposed tax cuts.

Later in the afternoon, the President was informed by White House Deputy Chief of Staff Joseph W. Hagin of the terrorist attacks which occurred earlier in the day in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

In the evening, the President traveled to Indianapolis, IN. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had a telephone conversation with National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice to discuss the terrorist attacks in Saudi Arabia. At the Westin Hotel in Indianapolis, he met with Indiana Republican Party members.

Later in the evening, the President had a briefing with Deputy Chief of Staff Hagin and then another telephone conversation with National Security Adviser Rice to discuss the terrorist attacks in Saudi Arabia.

The President announced his intention to nominate Greta N. Morris to be Ambassador to the Marshall Islands.

The President announced his intention to appoint Susan F. Sugai as a member of the Arctic Research Commission (academic representative).

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the Board of Directors of the Valles Caldera Trust: Tracy Hephner (management of game and nongame wildlife), Larry Icerman (financial management), and Barbara H. Johnson (nonprofit conservation organization).

The President declared a major disaster in New York and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the areas struck by an ice storm on April 3–5.

The President declared a major disaster in Alabama and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms, tornadoes, and flooding on May 5 and continuing.

May 13

In the morning, the President had telephone conversations with National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice and White House Chief of Staff Andrew Card concerning the May 12 terrorist attacks in Saudi Arabia. He then had an intelligence briefing. Later, at the Indiana State Fairgrounds, he met with senior citizens to discuss his jobs-and-growth package.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Springfield, MO. He then took a helicopter tour of the Pierce City, MO, area damaged by recent tornadoes. Later, after landing in Pierce City, he had briefings on the tornado damage by FEMA Director Michael D. Brown and other officials, met with tornado victims and rescuers at St. Mary's Catholic Church, and took a walking tour of the damaged area.

In the evening, the President returned to Washington, DC. Later, he had a telephone conversation with Crown Prince Abdullah of Saudi Arabia to discuss the May 12 terrorist attacks in Saudi Arabia.

The President announced his intention to nominate C. Suzanne Mencer to be Director

of the Office of Domestic Preparedness, Department of Homeland Security.

May 14

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa of Bahrain to discuss the situation in Iraq and reform efforts in Bahrain. Later, he had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan of Turkey to discuss the May 12 terrorist attacks in Saudi Arabia, the war on terror, the situations in Cyprus and Iraq, and peace efforts in the Middle East.

Later in the morning, the President had intelligence and FBI briefings and met with the National Security Council. He also met with Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld.

In the evening, the President had dinner with President Roh Moo-hyun of South Korea.

The President declared a major disaster in Maine and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe winter cold and frost on December 17, 2002, and continuing.

May 15

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

During the day, the President had a briefing with Senior Advisor to the President Karl Rove and others on preparations for his 2004 Presidential campaign.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Rafael Hipolito Mejia Dominguez of the Dominican Republic to the White House for a meeting on May 20.

The President announced his intention to nominate Kristin J. Forbes to be a member of the Council of Economic Advisers.

The President declared a major disaster in Illinois and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms, tornadoes, and flooding on May 6–11.

May 16

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with President Vladimir Putin of Russia to discuss the situation in Iraq

and the recent terrorist attacks in Chechnya and Saudi Arabia. He then had intelligence and FBI briefings.

Later in the morning, in the Oval Office, the President met with Prime Minister Kjell Magne Bondevik of Norway to discuss the situation in Iraq and the peace process in the Middle East.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with Vice President Dick Cheney. Later, in the Oval Office, he met with U.S. military personnel, some of whom were injured in military operations in Afghanistan and Iraq, and their spouses.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to Camp David, MD.

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 May 14

Lillian R. BeVier,
of Virginia, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 13, 2004, vice Hulett Hall Askew, term expired, to which position she was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Naomi Churchill Earp,
of Virginia, to be a member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for a term expiring July 1, 2005, vice Reginald Earl Jones, term expired, to which position she was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Peter Eide,
of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Federal Labor Relations Authority for a term of 5 years, vice Joseph Swerdzewski, resigned, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

April H. Foley,
of New York, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2007, vice Dan Herman Renberg, term expired, to which position she was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Thomas A. Fuentes,
of California, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 13, 2005, vice Thomas F. Smegal, Jr., term expired, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

R. Bruce Matthews,
of New Mexico, to be a member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board for a term expiring October 18, 2005, vice Joseph DiNunno, resigned, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Neil McPhie,
of Virginia, to be a member of the Merit Systems Protection Board for the term of 7 years expiring March 1, 2009, vice Beth Susan Slavet, term expired, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

James C. Miller III,
of Virginia, to be a Governor of the U.S. Postal Service for the term expiring December 8, 2010, vice Einar V. Dyhrkopp, term expired, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Greta N. Morris,
of California, 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 the Marshall Islands.

Nicole R. Nason,
of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation, vice Sean B. O'Hollaren, resigned.

William A. Schambra,
of Virginia, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring