

Washington, DC, and State and local governments. It brings together business leaders and labor representatives, farmers, ranchers, and conservationists and politicians on both sides of the aisle. The project fulfills the Government's charge to create the conditions for economic expansion and job growth by respecting our duties to the environment.

I'm proud that we're able to move forward with this project after years of review. I urge the United States Congress to act quickly on my budget request.

On many other issues from reducing the risk of catastrophic wildfire to keeping hydro-power energy rates as low as possible to conserving our precious salmon, my administration is working with Pacific Northwest leaders to meet our shared priorities. I look forward to working with you in the future to sustain the physical and economic vitality of this beautiful part of America.

Thank you all for coming. May God bless.

NOTE: The President spoke at 11:15 a.m. at Rivergate Industrial Park. In his remarks, he referred to Steve Corey, commissioner, Port of Portland; Speaker of the Oregon House of Representatives Karen Minnis; and Bob Lohn, Regional Administrator, Northwest Regional Office, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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.

August 7

In the morning, in Kennebunkport, ME, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush attended the wedding of their nephew George Prescott Bush at St. Ann's Episcopal Church.

August 8

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

August 9

In the morning, in the President's private dining room, the President had breakfast with Vice President Dick Cheney. He then had an intelligence briefing. Later, in Room 350 of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Executive Office Building, he met with the President's Management Council and received a report on the President's Management Agenda.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Annandale, VA. Later, he returned to Washington, DC.

In the evening, the President had dinner with Representative Porter J. Goss of Florida and White House Chief of Staff Andrew H. Card, Jr., to discuss the President's nomination of Representative Goss to be Director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

The President announced his intention to appoint Robert Oberdoerfer Harris, Donna McLean, and Peter W. Tredick as members of the Presidential Emergency Board No. 238.

The President announced his intention to accord the personal rank of Ambassador to Lisa Guillermin Gable during her performance of duties as Commissioner General of the U.S. Exhibition at the Universal Exposition in Aichi, Japan, March 25–September 25, 2005.

August 10

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Pensacola, FL.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Niceville, FL. Later, he traveled to Panama City, FL.

In the evening, the President traveled to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX.

August 11

In the morning, the President took Senator John McCain of Arizona, who traveled with the President from Florida, on a tour of the Bush Ranch.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Albuquerque, NM, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Tom Hesch. Later, he participated in an interview with representatives of regional media.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to Phoenix, AZ, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Lucia Haas.

August 12

In the morning, the President had a briefing on Tropical Storm Bonnie and Hurricane Charley. He then had an intelligence briefing.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Las Vegas, NV, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Mike Peschl. Later, he participated in a tour of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America International Training Facility.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Los Angeles, CA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Lynn Brennan. Later, with Mrs. Bush, he traveled to Bel Air, CA.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Santa Monica, CA. Later, they returned to Los Angeles.

During the day, in Los Angeles, the President and Mrs. Bush participated in an interview with Larry King of CNN for later broadcast.

August 13

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing and a briefing on Hurricane Charley. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Portland, OR, where, upon arrival in the afternoon, the President met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Chris Dudley. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Beaverton, OR, where they participated in a discussion at Southridge High School.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to Seattle, WA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Jeanne Robertson. He then toured the Boeing Delivery Center.

In the evening, the President traveled to Medina, WA, where he attended a Victory 2004 dinner at a private residence. Later, he traveled to Redmond, WA.

The President announced the designation of the following individuals as members of the Presidential delegation to attend the inauguration of Leonel Fernandez as President

of the Dominican Republic on August 16: Ann M. Veneman (delegation leader); Hans H. Hertell; Anna Cablik; Sergio Pino; and Raul R. Romero.

The President declared a major disaster in Florida and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the areas struck by Tropical Storm Bonnie and Hurricane Charley beginning on August 11 and continuing.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

NOTE: No nominations were submitted to the Senate during the period covered by this issue.

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 August 9

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Statement by the Press Secretary on establishment of a second Presidential Emergency Board regarding the dispute between the Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority and its conductors represented by the United Transportation Union

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 2443, H.R. 3340, H.R. 3463, H.R. 4222, H.R. 4226, H.R. 4327, H.R. 4417, H.R. 4427, and S. 2712

Fact sheet: America's Ownership Society: Expanding Opportunities

Fact sheet: Expanding Access and Increasing the Affordability of Health Insurance Through Health Savings Accounts