service organizations that have participated in the Department of Defense's America Supports You program.

The White House announced that the President will welcome Prime Minister Bertie Ahern of Ireland to the White House on March 17 and that he and Prime Minister Ahern will meet with Secretary of State for Northern Ireland Peter Hain of the United Kingdom. They will then meet with community peace activists from Northern Ireland.

The President announced his intention to nominate Robert D. McCallum, Jr., to be Ambassador to Australia.

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 March 7

Jerry Gayle Bridges,

of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Corporation for National and Community Service, vice Michelle Guillermin, resigned.

Richard Capka,

of Pennsylvania, to be Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration, vice Mary E. Peters, resigned.

Robert F. Godec,

of Virginia, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Tunisia.

Philip D. Moeller,

of Washington, to be a member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for the term expiring June 30, 2010, vice Patrick Henry Wood III, resigned.

Michael E. Ranneberger,

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 Kenya.

Jon Wellinghoff,

of Nevada, to be a member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for the term expiring June 30, 2008, vice William Lloyd Massey, term expired.

Withdrawn March 7

James Hardy Payne,

of Oklahoma, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit, vice Stephanie K. Seymour, retired, which was sent to the Senate on September 29, 2005.

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 March 4

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Transcript of a press briefing by Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice on the President's visit to South Asia

Fact sheet: United States and Pakistan: Long-Term Strategic Partners

Released March 6

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Transcript of a press briefing by Lt. Gen. Carl Strock, commander and chief of engineers, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, on recovery efforts in the gulf coast

Transcript of a press briefing by Office of Management and Budget Director Joshua B. Bolten on the President's line-item veto legislation Statement by the Press Secretary: Visit by President Alejandro Celestino Toledo Manrique of Peru

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed S. 1777

Fact sheet: President Submits Line Item Veto Legislation to Congress

Released March 7

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Mississippi

Released March 8

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Fact sheet: India Civil Nuclear Cooperation: Responding to Critics

Fact sheet: Gulf Coast Update: Hurricane Relief, Recovery, and Rebuilding Continues

Released March 9

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Statement by the Press Secretary: Visit of Prime Minister Ahern of Ireland

Statement by the Press Secretary: President Bush To Travel to Cancun, Mexico

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 3199 and S. 2271

Fact sheet: Compassion in Action: Producing Real Results for Americans Most in Need

Fact sheet: Safeguarding America: President Bush Signs Patriot Act Reauthorization

Released March 10

Fact sheet: Economic Growth Continues— Almost 5 Million Jobs Created Since August 2003

Acts Approved by the President

Approved March 6

S. 1777 / Public Law 109–176 Katrina Emergency Assistance Act of 2006

Approved March 9

H.R. 3199 / Public Law 109–177 USA PATRIOT Improvement and Reauthorization Act of 2005

S. 2271 / Public Law 109–178 USA PATRIOT Act Additional Reauthorizing Amendments Act of 2006