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hope of the United States to have a free, independent, and democratic Cuba as a close friend and neighbor. In achieving this, the Cuban people can count on the full and unconditional support of the United States.

NOTE: The Office of the Press Secretary also released a Spanish language version of this statement.

Notice—Continuation of Emergency Regarding Export Control Regulations

August 3, 2006

On August 17, 2001, consistent with the authority provided me under the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*), I issued Executive Order 13222. In that order, I declared a national emergency with respect to the unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States in light of the expiration of the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended (50 U.S.C. App. 2401 *et seq.*). Because the Export Administration Act has not been renewed by the Congress, the national emergency declared on August 17, 2001, must continue in effect beyond August 17, 2006. Therefore, in accordance with section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)), I am continuing for 1 year the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13222.

This notice shall be published in the *Federal Register* and transmitted to the Congress.

George W. Bush

The White House,
August 3, 2006.

[Filed with the Office of the Federal Register, 8:45 a.m., August 4, 2006]

NOTE: This notice was published in the *Federal Register* on August 7.

Letter to Congressional Leaders on Continuation of the National Emergency Regarding Export Control Regulations

August 3, 2006

Dear Mr. Speaker: (Dear Mr. President:)

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)), provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent the enclosed notice, stating that the emergency caused by the lapse of the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended, is to continue in effect for 1 year beyond August 17, 2006, to the *Federal Register* for publication.

Sincerely,

George W. Bush

NOTE: Identical letters were sent to J. Dennis Hastert, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and Richard B. Cheney, President of the Senate.

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.

July 29

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

July 30

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Miami, FL. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had a telephone conversation with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice to discuss her ongoing visit to the Middle East. Upon arrival in Miami, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Dorcas Piegari.

During the day, the President had several separate telephone conversations with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, Prime Minister Tony Blair of the United Kingdom, and National Security Adviser Stephen J. Hadley to discuss the situation in the Middle East.

In the evening, the President traveled to Miami Beach, FL, where he attended a dinner with community leaders. He then returned to Miami.

July 31

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, at the Versailles Restaurant and Bakery, he participated in an interview with Radio Mambi. He then visited the National Hurricane Center.

Later in the morning, at the U.S. Coast Guard Integrated Support Command, the President participated in an interview with Michael Putney of WPLG–TV Miami.

In the afternoon, at the U.S. Coast Guard Integrated Support Command, the President participated in separate interviews with Pedro Sevcec of Telemundo and Neil Cavuto of FOX News. Later, he traveled to Coral Gables, FL, where, at a private residence, he attended a Republican National Committee luncheon. He then returned to Washington, DC.

In the evening, the President met with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice to discuss her recent visit to the Middle East.

The President announced his intention to nominate Randolph James Clerihue to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Public Affairs.

The President announced his intention to nominate Susan E. Dudley to be Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the Office of Management and Budget.

The President announced his intention to nominate Michael F. Duffy to be a member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, and, upon confirmation, to designate him as Chairman.

The President announced his intention to nominate Roger Romulus Martella, Jr., to be Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (General Counsel).

The President announced his intention to nominate Arthur K. Reilly to be a member of the National Science Board (National Science Foundation).

The President announced his appointment of Bryan Corbett as Special Assistant to the President for Economic Policy.

The President announced his appointment of Kenneth Kiyul Lee as Associate Counsel to the President.

The President announced his appointment of Andrea Becker Looney as Special Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs.

The President announced his appointment of Michael Magan as Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Relief, Stabilization, and Development of the National Security Council.

The President announced his appointment of Scott Walter as Special Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy.

August 1

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Bethesda, MD, where, at the National Naval Medical Center, he had his annual physical examination and visited wounded military personnel and presented Purple Hearts to seven of them.

During the day, the President met with Republican Senators.

The President announced his intention to nominate C. Stephen Allred to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and Mineral Management.

The President announced his intention to nominate Carl Joseph Artman to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs and to appoint him as a member of the Board of Trustees of the American Folklife Center.

The President announced his intention to nominate Alex A. Beehler to be Inspector General of the Environmental Protection Agency.

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

The President announced his intention to nominate Leland A. Strom to be a member of the Farm Credit Administration Board.

The President announced his intention to nominate James H. Bilbray to be a Governor of the Board of Governors of the U.S. Postal Service.

The President announced his intention to nominate Charles R. Christopherson, Jr., to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

The President declared a major disaster in Ohio and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms, straight line winds, and flooding on July 27 and continuing.

August 2

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he met with Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld. He then met with Republican Senators.

In the afternoon, the President met with Secretary of the Treasury Henry M. Paulson, Jr. Later, he participated in a photo opportunity with Make-a-Wish Foundation children. He then traveled to Mentor, OH.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to Kirtland Hills, OH, where, at a private residence, he attended an evening reception for Ohio gubernatorial candidate J. Kenneth Blackwell. He then returned to Washington, DC.

August 3

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to McAllen, TX. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had a telephone conversation with Chancellor Angela Merkel of Germany to discuss the situation in the Middle East. Upon arrival in McAllen, he participated in a tour of Border Patrol and National Guard assets.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to Mission, TX, where he viewed a demonstration of the Border Patrol-National Guard Skybox. Later, he traveled to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX.

The President announced his intention to nominate Nelson M. Ford to be Assistant Secretary of the Army (Financial Management).

The President announced his intention to nominate Cynthia A. Glassman to be Undersecretary of Commerce for Economic Affairs.

The President announced his intention to nominate John K. Veroneau to be Deputy U.S. Trade Representative with the rank of Ambassador.

The President announced his intention to nominate Gerald Walpin to be Inspector General of the Corporation for National and Community Service.

The President announced his intention to nominate William H. Graves to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority.

The President announced his intention to nominate the following individuals to be Commissioners of the Mississippi River Commission: Bruce Arlan Berwick; Robert Crear, and, upon confirmation, to designate him President; Samuel P. De Bow, Jr.; and Gregg F. Martin.

The President announced his appointment of Jay Hein as Deputy Assistant to the President and Director of the Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives.

August 4

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

The President announced his designation of the following individuals as members of a Presidential delegation to attend the funeral of former Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto of Japan on August 8: Norman Y. Mineta (head of delegation); and John Thomas Schieffer.

The President announced his designation of the following individuals as members of a Presidential delegation to attend the Inauguration of President Alvaro Uribe Velez of Colombia on August 7: Henry M. Paulson, Jr. (head of delegation); Carlos M. Gutierrez; and William B. Wood.

The President declared a major disaster in Alaska and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by snow melt and ice jam flooding from May 13–30.

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 August 1

C. Stephen Allred,
of Idaho, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior, vice Rebecca W. Watson, resigned.

Carl Joseph Artman,
of Colorado, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior, vice David Wayne Anderson.

Alex A. Beehler,
of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Environmental Protection Agency, vice Nikki Rush Tinsley, resigned.

James H. Bilbray,
of Nevada, to be a Governor of the U.S. Postal Service for the remainder of the term expiring December 8, 2006, vice John F. Walsh, resigned.

James H. Bilbray,
of Nevada, to be a Governor of the U.S. Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2015 (reappointment).

Charles R. Christopherson, Jr.,
of Texas, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation, vice Joseph J. Jen.

Randolph James Clerihue,
of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor, vice Lisa Kruska.

Susan E. Dudley,
of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, vice John D. Graham, resigned.

Michael F. Duffy,
of the District of Columbia, to be a member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission for a term expiring August 30, 2012 (reappointment).

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, 2011 (reappointment).

Roger Romulus Martella, Jr.,
of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, vice Ann R. Klee, resigned.

Arthur K. Reilly,
of New Jersey, to be a member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2012, vice Michael G. Rossmann, term expired.

Leland A. Strom,
of Illinois, to be a member of the Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration, for a term expiring October 13, 2012, vice Douglas L. Flory, term expiring.

Submitted August 2

Dabney Langhorne Friedrich,
of Virginia, to be a member of the U.S. Sentencing Commission for the remainder of the term expiring October 31, 2009, vice Michael O'Neill.

Roslynn Renee Mauskopf,
of New York, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, vice David G. Trager, retired.

Liam O'Grady,
of Virginia, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, vice Claude M. Hilton, retired.

Lawrence Joseph O'Neill,
of California, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of California, vice Oliver W. Wanger, retired.

Submitted August 3

Brig. Gen. Bruce Arlan Berwick, USA,
to be a member of the Mississippi River Commission.

Brig. Gen. Robert Crear, USA,
to be a member and President of the Mississippi River Commission.

Rear Adm. Samuel P. De Bow, Jr., NOAA,
to be a member of the Mississippi River Commission.