

met with patrons. Later, he returned to Washington, DC.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Elias Antonio Saca Gonzalez of El Salvador to the White House on February 27.

February 22

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Morrisville, NC, where, at the Raleigh-Durham International Airport, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Jamie Lathan. He then traveled to Franklinton, NC, where he toured Novozymes North America, Inc.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC.

The White House announced that the President will host the annual U.S.-EU Summit in Washington, DC, on April 30.

The President announced his intention to nominate S. Ward Casscells to be Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs).

The President announced his intention to nominate Claude M. Kicklighter to be Inspector General of the Department of Defense.

The President announced his intention to nominate William Charles Ostendorff to be Principal Deputy Administrator of the National Nuclear Security Administration.

The President announced his intention to designate Dennis R. Spurgeon as Acting Under Secretary of Energy.

The President announced his intention to designate Thomas J. Barrett as Acting Deputy Secretary of Transportation.

The President announced his intention to designate Kimberly A. Owens as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Christopher Columbus Fellowship Foundation.

The President announced his intention to appoint James H. Herring as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Christopher Columbus Fellowship Foundation.

The President declared a major disaster in Oregon and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by a severe winter storm and flooding on December 14–15, 2006.

February 23

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Roosevelt Room, he met with transportation fuel experts and researchers to discuss alternative fuel sources.

The President declared a major disaster in Pennsylvania and ordered Federal aid to supplement Commonwealth and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding on November 16–17, 2006.

The President declared an emergency in New York and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local response efforts in the area struck by record snow and near record snow on February 2–12.

The President declared a major disaster in Louisiana and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and tornadoes on February 12–13.

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 February 17

Statement by the Press Secretary on Senate action on a nonbinding resolution on Iraq

Released February 20

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Tony Snow

Released February 21

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Secretary Tony Snow

Statement by the Press Secretary: Visit by President Elias Antonio Saca Gonzalez of the Republic of El Salvador

Fact sheet: Helping More Americans Afford Health Insurance

Released February 22

Transcript of a press gaggle by Deputy Press Secretary Dana Perino

Statement by the Deputy Press Secretary on the annual U.S.-EU Summit

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Oregon

Fact sheet: Harnessing the Power of Technology for a Secure Energy Future

Released February 23

Transcript of a press briefing by Deputy Press Secretary Tony Fratto

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Pennsylvania

Statement of the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to New York

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Louisiana

Fact sheet: Making Private Health Insurance More Affordable for Low-Income Americans

**Acts Approved
by the President**

NOTE: No acts approved by the President were received by the Office of the Federal Register during the period covered by this issue.