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supplied with vital workers, and helping new Americans learn English.

I appreciate the work of Secretary Chertoff and Secretary Gutierrez in implementing these important reforms, which will improve our security and enrich our Nation.

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

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 4

In the morning, at Camp David, MD, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Minneapolis, MN, where he took an aerial tour of the damaged Interstate 35W bridge. He then took a walking tour of the affected area.

Later in the morning, the President met with family members of victims of the bridge collapse.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Camp David, MD.

August 5

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush welcomed President Hamid Karzai of Afghanistan.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush had dinner with President Karzai.

August 6

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

August 7

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with Secretary of Defense Robert M. Gates, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, and his Defense Policy and Programs and Foreign Policy teams.

Later in the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC.

In the evening, the President had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister John Howard of Australia.

August 8

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he had a telephone conversation with Gov. Jon M. Huntsman, Jr., of Utah to discuss the situation in the Crandall Canyon Mine.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to the Treasury Department. He then had lunch with his economic advisers.

In the afternoon, the President had a telephone conversation with Barry Bonds, left fielder, San Francisco Giants, to congratulate him on breaking the Major League Baseball career home run record. He then participated in separate interviews with Neil Cavuto of FOX News and economic reporters.

Later in the afternoon, the President returned to the White House.

The White House announced that the President and Mrs. Bush will welcome President Nicolas Sarkozy of France to Kennebunkport, ME, for a private lunch on August 11.

The President announced his designation of the following individuals as members of a Presidential delegation to attend the funeral of former Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa of Japan on August 28: J. Dennis Hastert (head of delegation); and John Thomas Schieffer.

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 storms and flooding on July 11–12.

August 9

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to the Bush family home in Kennebunkport, ME.

August 10

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

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 4

Transcript of a press gaggle by Deputy Press Secretary Scott M. Stanzel and Secretary of Transportation Mary E. Peters

Released August 6

Statement by Deputy Press Secretary Tony Fratto on FISA modernization

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 3311

Fact sheet: Combating Terrorism Worldwide

Fact sheet: The Protect America Act of 2007

Released August 8

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Tony Snow

Statement by the Press Secretary: President and Mrs. Bush To Welcome the President of France and Mrs. Sarkozy

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 3206

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Maine

Released August 9

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 1260, H.R. 1335, H.R. 1384, H.R. 1425, H.R. 1434, H.R. 1617, H.R. 1722, H.R. 2025, H.R. 2077, H.R. 2078, H.R. 2127, H.R. 2309, H.R. 2563, H.R. 2570, and H.R. 2688

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed S. 1099

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 2272

Fact sheet: America COMPETES Act of 2007

Released August 10

Transcript of a press gaggle by Deputy Press Secretary Dana Perino

Statement by the Deputy Press Secretary on the unanimous vote by the United Nations Security Council to renew the mandate for the United Nations Assistance Mission in Iraq

Fact sheet: Improving Border Security and Immigration Within Existing Law

Acts Approved by the President

Approved August 5

S. 1927 / Public Law 110–55
Protect America Act of 2007

Approved August 6

H.R. 3311 / Public Law 110–56
To authorize additional funds for emergency repairs and reconstruction of the Interstate I–35 bridge located in Minneapolis, Minnesota, that collapsed on August 1, 2007, to waive the $100,000,000 limitation on emergency relief funds for those emergency repairs and reconstruction, and for other purposes

Approved August 8

H.R. 3206 / Public Law 110–57
To provide for an additional temporary extension of programs under the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 through December 15, 2007, and for other purposes