

justice, declared an end to segregation, and fought to ensure that every individual has the opportunity to build a brighter future for themselves and their families.

Today, there is a renewed sense of hope in America—a hope based on the idea that our great diversity can unite rather than divide our society. It is the same hope that has inspired African Americans since our country's beginnings to dream of a nation in which all people enjoy the freedom to make their own lasting contributions to our world. If we are truly to build on history's rich lessons, we must always remember these pioneers' pivotal roles in American history.

Ours can be a land of unprecedented peace and prosperity in the twenty-first century if we have the faith that Martin Luther King described, the faith to "transform the jangling discords of our nation into a beautiful symphony of brotherhood." We must never cease striving to bring people together across racial and cultural barriers. This is our generation's most solemn calling and most important challenge.

I urge everyone, during African American History Month and throughout the year, to take up this challenge and to learn more about the black Americans who have made this country great.

Bill Clinton

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.

January 14

In the afternoon, the President met with a group of writers, professors, and political scientists at Camp David, MD, to discuss the future role of Government.

January 16

In the morning, the President returned to Andrews Air Force Base, MD, and then traveled to Denver, CO. Following his arrival,

he met with a group of officials from the natural gas industry at the Denver Stapleton International Airport.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Los Angeles, CA.

January 17

In the late morning, the President met with rescue workers at the Swift Water Rescue Unit at Fire Station 88 to discuss the recent flooding in southern California. Following the meeting, he traveled to Roseville, CA, where he toured flood damage and visited with victims.

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

The President announced his intention to appoint Thomas L. Soto, Kathleen Marr, Dan Eckstrom, Sandra Ferniza, Travis Johnson, and Cynthia Ann Miscikowski as members of the Advisory Council Border Environment Cooperation Commission.

The President announced his intention to appoint John J. Sweeney to the National Commission for Employment Policy.

The White House announced that Richard Schifter will assume a broader assignment at the National Security Council as Special Assistant to the President and Counselor. Daniel Fried will succeed Mr. Schifter as Special Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs and Senior Director for Central and Eastern Europe.

The White House announced the appointment of Coit D. Blacker as Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Russian, Ukrainian, and Eurasian Affairs, National Security Council.

January 19

The President announced his intention to appoint Wayne Cranford to be Chair and the following individuals to be members of the Advisory Committee on the Arts for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts: John C. Barsness, Kathie Bartlett, Anne Boyle, Diana Carlin, Arthur Chapa, Bethine Church, Leon Cohan, Darrell Dorgan, Pamela Eakes, Sim Farar, Hartina Flournoy, Joseph Fuchs, John Grisham, Mary Gail Gwaltney, Sharon Harrington, Margaret Dunne Hartigan, Steve Hicks, Kenneth Jacobsen, Susan Roach Kelly, Zina Kramer, Betty Oxendine-Mangum, Bonnie Milenthal,

Sandra Montrone, Leslie Moonves, Kenneth Pentony, Deborah Dozier Potter, John Raffaelli, Mary Stoner Rauh, Mary Lou Reed, Alice Richmond, Susan Roberts, Linda Kapunia Rosehill, Elaine Schuster, Diane Meyer Simon, Gary Smith, Sally Troyer, Michael Turpen, Joseph Walsh, Donna Axum Whitworth, Caryl Yontz, Robert P. Zimmerman.

The White House announced the President will attend a ceremony in San Francisco, CA, in June and a special commemorative meeting of the U.N. General Assembly in New York City in October to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the founding of the United Nations.

The White House announced the President has invited Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto of Pakistan to Washington, DC, for an official working visit on April 11.

January 20

The President announced his intention to appoint Harriet Mayor Fulbright, Alan H. Schechter, and Caroline A. Matano Yang to the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board.

The President announced his intention to appoint George Ariyoshi; W.L. Lyons Brown, Jr.; Ralph Gerson; Dean R. Kleckner; Lewis E. Platt; and Jeannette S. Wagner to the Advisory Committee for Trade Policy and Negotiations.

The President announced his intention to appoint Harriett Woods to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation.

The President announced his intention to nominate Clifford Gregory Stewart to be General Counsel of the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunities Commission.

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 January 18

S. David Fineman, of Pennsylvania, to be a Governor of the U.S. Postal Service for the term expiring December 8, 2003, vice Norma Pace, term expired.

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 January 16

Transcript of a press briefing by President of the Corporation for National and Community Service Eli Segal on the King Holiday and Service Act of 1994

Released January 17

Statement by Press Secretary Mike McCurry announcing personnel changes at the National Security Council

Statement by Press Secretary Mike McCurry on Anthony Lake's announcements of personnel changes at the National Security Council

Released January 19

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Mike McCurry

Statement by Press Secretary Mike McCurry announcing that the President will participate in two events commemorating the 50th anniversary of the founding of the United Nations

Statement by Press Secretary Mike McCurry in response to a letter from Speaker Newt Gingrich regarding the proposed balanced budget constitutional amendment

Statement by Press Secretary Mike McCurry on the official working visit of Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto

White House statement on the President's record of accomplishment on the 2 year anniversary of his inauguration