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The President announced his intention to nominate John Martin O'Keefe to be Ambassador to Kyrgyz Republic.

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In the morning, the President traveled to McAllen, TX.

In the evening, the President traveled to Dallas, TX, and later, he returned to Washington, DC, arriving after midnight.

The President announced his intention to nominate Donnie R. Marshall to be Administrator of the Drug Enforcement Administration.

The President announced his intention to nominate Michael J. Senko to be Ambassador to the Marshall Islands and to Kiribati.

The President announced his intention to nominate Alan D. Solomont to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service.

The President announced his intention to nominate Danny Lee McDonald and Bradley A. Smith to be Commissioners on the Federal Election Commission.

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The President announced his intention to nominate Daniel A. Johnson to be Ambassador to Suriname.

The President announced his intention to nominate Ronald D. Godard to be Ambassador to Guyana.

The President announced his intention to appoint Valerie Crotty as a member of the Commission on President Scholars.

The President announced his intention to appoint Jane Macon as a member to the National Selective Service Appeals Board.

The President announced his intention to appoint Haim Saban as a member of the President's Export Council.

The White House announced that the President asked Energy Secretary Bill Richardson to take new measures to address the critical situation involving home heating oil, and that he directed Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala to release additional funding in Low Income Home Energy Assistance emergency funds for States, territories, and tribes due to continuing increases in home heating fuel prices this winter.

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The President announced his intention to nominate Thomas N. Slonaker to be Special Trustee for American Indians at the Department of the Interior.

The President announced his intention to nominate E. Ashley Wills to be Ambassador to Sri Lanka and to Maldives.

The White House announced that the President announced import relief for the U.S. line pipe industry.

The White House announced that the President announced import relief for the U.S. steel wire rod industry.

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 February 7

Carey Cavanaugh, of Florida, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Counselor, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Special Negotiator for Nagorno-Karabakh and New Independent States Regional Conflicts.

Rust Macpherson Deming,
of Maryland, 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 Republic of Tunisia.

John W. Limbert,
of Vermont, 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 Islamic Republic of Mauritania.

Roger A. Meece,
of Washington, 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 Malawi.

Ronald E. Neumann,
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 State of Bahrain.

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John Antoon II,
of Florida, to be U.S. District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, vice G. Kendall Sharp, retired.

Robert J. Cindrich,
of Pennsylvania, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, vice Timothy K. Lewis, retired.

John R. Dinger,
of Florida, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Mongolia.

Audrey G. Fleissig,
of Missouri, to be U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri for the term of 4 years, vice Edward L. Dowd, Jr., resigned.

Phyllis J. Hamilton,
of California, to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of California, vice an additional position in accordance with 28 U.S.C. 133(b)(1).

Douglas Alan Hartwick,
of Washington, 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 Lao People's Democratic Republic.

Christopher Robert Hill,
of Rhode Island, 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 Poland.

Donna Jean Hrinak,
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 Venezuela.

Kent R. Markus,
of Ohio, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, vice David A. Nelson, retired.

Danny Lee McDonald,
of Oklahoma, to be a member of the Federal Election Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2005 (reappointment).

Christopher A. McLean,
of Nebraska, to be Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture, vice Wally B. Beyer.

John Martin O'Keefe,
of Virginia, a career member of the the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United State of America to the Kyrgyz Republic.

Mary Ann Peters,
of California, 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 People's Republic of Bangladesh.

Marc Racicot, of Montana, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2004, vice Reatha Clark King, resigned.

Bradley A. Smith, of Ohio, to be a member of the Federal Election Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2005, vice Lee Ann Elliott, resigned.

Alan D. Solomont, of Massachusetts, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2004, vice Carol W. Kinsley, term expired.

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Edward William Gnehm, Jr., of Georgia, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of career minister, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Australia.

Ronald D. Godard, of Texas, 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 Co-operative Republic of Guyana.

Daniel A. Johnson, of Florida, 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 Suriname.

V. Manuel Rocha, of California, 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 Bolivia.

Michael J. Senko, of the District of Columbia, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Coun-

selor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Kiribati.

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 7

Transcript of a press briefing by National Economic Council Director Gene Sperling, Council of Economic Advisers Chairman Martin Baily, Treasury Secretary Larry Summers, Office of Management and Budget Director Jack Lew on the fiscal year 2001 budget

Released February 8

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Joe Lockhart

Released February 9

Announcement of nominations for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida, and U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California

Released February 10

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Joe Lockhart

Transcript of a press briefing by Council of Economic Advisers Chairman Martin Baily on the President's Economic Report