

be submitted within 180 days after the date of this order and annually thereafter. The USA Freedom Corps Council shall encourage consistency in policies and practices within the agencies subject to this order, as appropriate, for purposes related to the Volunteers for Prosperity initiative.

**Sec. 6. Administration.** The actions directed by this order shall be carried out subject to the availability of appropriations, to the extent permitted by law, and consistent with the agencies' missions.

**Sec. 7. Judicial Review.** This order is intended only to improve the internal management of the executive branch of the Federal Government, and it is not intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity, against the United States, its departments, agencies, or other entities, its officers or employees, or any other person.

**George W. Bush**

The White House,  
September 25, 2003.

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NOTE: This Executive order will be published in the *Federal Register* on September 30.

### **Message on the Observance of Rosh Hashanah, 5764 September 26, 2003**

I send greetings to those observing Rosh Hashanah.

For the Jewish community in the United States and around the world, this holiday marks the beginning of the New Year and the onset of the Days of Awe. Rosh Hashanah is a time to seek the mercy and forgiveness of the Almighty and your fellow man, to reflect on past actions, and to demonstrate renewed commitment to faith and family. May you find inspiration for the days ahead as you remember the devotion of Abraham and Isaac and their willingness to sacrifice everything to do right.

During this holy time, I encourage you to pray for peace and mutual understanding throughout the world. May we build a future

of promise and compassion for all, and may the coming year be filled with hope and happiness.

Laura joins me in sending our best wishes for a blessed Rosh Hashanah.

**George W. Bush**

NOTE: An original was not available for verification of the content of this message.

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### **Digest of Other White House Announcements**

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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.

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#### **September 20**

In the morning, at Camp David, MD, the President had an intelligence briefing.

The President declared a major disaster in the District of Columbia and ordered Federal aid to supplement the District's recovery efforts in the area struck by Hurricane Isabel on September 18 and continuing.

The President declared a major disaster in Delaware and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Hurricane Isabel on September 18 and continuing.

#### **September 21**

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

#### **September 22**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he met with Special Presidential Envoy for Afghanistan Zalmay Khalilzad. He then met with Minister of Foreign Affairs Li Zhaoxing of China to discuss the situation in North Korea.

Later in the morning, the President met with Labor Secretary Elaine L. Chao, Housing and Urban Development Secretary Mel R. Martinez, Deputy Education Secretary Eugene Hickok, Deputy Veterans Affairs

Secretary Leo S. Mackay, Jr., Assistant Attorney General Daniel J. Bryant, Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Services Claude A. Allen, USA Freedom Corps Director John Bridgeland, and Director of the Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives Harry James “Jim” Towey to discuss his Faith-Based Initiative.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Richmond, VA, where he toured the Temporary Virginia Emergency Operations Center at the Virginia State Police Academy. Later, he returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to nominate Zalmay Khalilzad to be Ambassador to Afghanistan.

The President announced his intention to nominate Raymond Simon to be Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education.

The President announced his intention to nominate Cynthia Boich, Dorothy A. Johnson, and Henry Lozano to be members of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service.

### **September 23**

In the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to New York City. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had an intelligence briefing.

Later in the morning, at the United Nations Headquarters, the President met with U.N. General Assembly President Julian Hunte.

In the afternoon, at the United States Mission to the U.N., the President met with President Jacques Chirac of France. Later, at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, he met separately with President Megawati Sukarnoputri of Indonesia, King Mohamed VI of Morocco, and President Hamid Karzai of Afghanistan.

The White House announced that the President will host President Carlo Azeglio Ciampi of Italy for a meeting and working luncheon on November 14.

### **September 24**

In the morning, at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he had a breakfast meeting with Caribbean leaders, including Prime Minister Perry Christie of the Bahamas,

Prime Minister Keith Mitchell of Grenada, President Bharrat Jagdeo of Guyana, and Prime Minister Kenny Davis Anthony of Saint Lucia.

Later in the morning, the President had separate meetings with President John Agyekum Kufuor of Ghana, President Pervez Musharraf of Pakistan, President Joaquim Alberto Chissano of Mozambique, and Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee of India.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

The President declared an emergency in Michigan and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local response efforts in the area impacted by that power outage that occurred August 14–17.

The President declared an emergency in New Jersey and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local response efforts in the area impacted by the power outage that occurred on August 14–17.

The President declared an emergency in Ohio and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local response efforts in the area impacted by the power outage that occurred on August 14–17.

The President declared a major disaster in Delaware and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Tropical Storm Henri on September 15.

The President declared a major disaster in West Virginia and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Hurricane Isabel on September 18 and continuing.

### **September 25**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with Vice President Dick Cheney.

The White House announced that the President will make a state visit to the United Kingdom on November 18–21.

### **September 26**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he met separately with Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld and Ambassador L. Paul Bremer III, Presidential Envoy to Iraq.

Later in the morning, in the Oval Office, the President met with President Nicanor Duarte Frutos of Paraguay.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Camp David, MD, where they hosted President Vladimir Putin of Russia and Mrs. Putin for an overnight visit.

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### **Nominations Submitted to the Senate**

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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 September 22***

Raymond Simon,  
of Arkansas, to be Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education, vice Susan B. Neuman, resigned.

#### ***Submitted September 23***

Cynthia Boich,  
of California, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2007, vice Thomas Ehrlich, term expired.

Louis Guirola, Jr.,  
of Mississippi, to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Mississippi, vice Walter J. Gex III, retiring.

Judith C. Herrera,  
of New Mexico, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of New Mexico, vice James A. Parker, retired.

David L. Huber,  
of Kentucky, to be U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky for the term of 4 years, vice Stephen Beville Pence, resigned.

Dorothy A. Johnson,  
of Michigan, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National

and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2007 (reappointment).

Henry Lozano,  
of California, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2008, vice Christopher C. Gallagher, term expiring.

Bernice Phillips,  
of New York, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 13, 2005, vice Maria Luisa Mercado, term expired.

#### ***Submitted September 25***

Gregory E. Jackson,  
of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of 15 years, vice Mildred M. Edwards, retired.

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### **Checklist of White House Press Releases**

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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 September 20***

Statement by the Press Secretary: One Hundred Years of Diplomatic Relations With Bulgaria

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Delaware

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to the District of Columbia

#### ***Released September 22***

Transcript of a press briefing by Faith-Based and Community Initiatives Office Director Jim Towey, Labor Secretary Elaine L. Chao, Housing and Urban Development Secretary Mel R. Martinez, and Health and Human Services Deputy Secretary Claude Allen

Transcript of a press briefing by National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice on the