

Well, people did care. See, they cared because they had a vision of the future. And because they worked to help Japan become a democracy, today, Japan is an ally. Prime Minister Koizumi and I sit around the table talking about the peace. We're talking about using our influence to make the world a better place, not only for the people in our own country but for people around the world. We talk about peace in North Korea. We talk about peace in Iraq. We talk about feeding the hungry.

Liberty can change countries from enemies to friends. Someday, an American President will be sitting down with a duly elected leader of Iraq, and they're going to be talking about the peace. They'll be talking about a better world. See, liberty has got the chance to make this world a more peaceful place. I believe that millions in the Middle East plead in silence for their liberty. I believe that if given the chance, they will embrace the most honorable form of government ever devised by man. And I believe these things not because freedom is America's gift to the world, but because freedom is the Almighty God's gift to each man and woman in this world.

This young century will be liberty's century. By promoting freedom here at home and freedom abroad, we'll build a safer world and a more hopeful America. By reforming systems of Government, we will free more Americans to be able to realize their dreams. We'll spread ownership and opportunity to every corner of this country. We'll pass the enduring values of our country to a new generation. We will continue to lead the world to become more free and more peaceful.

You know, for all Americans, these years in our history will stand apart. There are quiet times in the life of a nation when little is expected of its leaders. This isn't one of those times. This is a time when we need firm resolve, clear vision, and a deep faith in the values that make this a great nation.

None of us will ever forget that week when one era ended and another began. I met a fellow behind the stage here who was at Ground Zero the same day I was at Ground Zero. He was there to save lives. I was there to thank people for saving lives—so on September the 14th, 2001, that—both of us were

in the ruins of the Twin Towers. It's a day I will never forget. I told him that. I said, "It's a day that I'll never forget." There were workers in hardhats yelling at me at the top of their lungs, "Whatever it takes." I tried to do my best to comfort those who had been in the rubble. A fellow looked me right in the eye and said, "Do not let me down." I wake up every morning—every morning—thinking about how to better protect our country. I will never relent in defending America, whatever it takes.

Four years ago, when I traveled our great country asking for the vote, I made a pledge to my fellow Americans that if you gave me a chance to serve, I would uphold the honor and the dignity of the office to which I had been elected. With your help, with your hard work, I will do so for 4 more years.

God bless. Thank you for coming.

NOTE: The President spoke at 10:58 a.m. at the Tri-State Milton J. Ferguson Field. In his remarks, he referred to Senator Zell Miller of Georgia, who made the keynote address at the Republican National Convention; Prime Minister Ayad Allawi of the Iraqi Interim Government; former Democratic Presidential candidate Howard Dean; and Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi of Japan.

## Remarks in Ironton, Ohio

September 10, 2004

**The President.** Thank you all. I'm glad you all are here. Thanks for coming out. I want to introduce you—you know your Senator, Mike DeWine. This is my friend Senator Zell Miller from Georgia. One Republican, one Democrat, all united to making this country a better place for everybody.

Thank you all for coming out to say hello. We're here to ask for the vote in Ironton, Ohio, and I appreciate you giving me a chance.

We've got plans to make this world a safer place, a stronger place, and a better place for every American. I'm here to ask for your help. I'd like to—I'd like your support, I appreciate your prayers. May God bless you, and may God continue to bless our great country. Thanks for coming out to say hello. I appreciate you. Thank you all.

Thank you, Mayor. I appreciate you coming.

**Mayor John W. Elam.** President Bush, it is certainly an honor to have you here. We're looking forward to 4 more years.

**The President.** Thank you, sir.

**Mayor Elam.** I have a proclamation here that I know will take awhile to read. And I would also like to present you with a key to the city of Ironton.

**The President.** Oh, yes. Thanks for coming out. God bless.

NOTE: The President spoke at 12:14 p.m. at the Lawrence County Courthouse. In his remarks, he referred to Senator Zell Miller of Georgia, who made the keynote address at the Republican National Convention. A tape was not available for verification of the content of these remarks.

**Presidential Determination and Certification Concerning Libya Under Section 101 and 102(b) of the Arms Export Control Act and Determination on Export-Import Bank Support for U.S. Exports to Libya**

*September 10, 2004*

Presidential Determination No. 2004-44

*Memorandum for the Secretary of State*

*Subject:* Presidential Determination and Certification Concerning Libya Under Section 101 and 102(b) of the Arms Export Control Act and Determination on Export-Import Bank Support for U.S. Exports to Libya

Pursuant to section 101 of the Arms Export Control Act, I hereby determine that Libya received nuclear enrichment equipment, material, or technology after August 4, 1977. I hereby determine and certify that the continued termination of assistance, as required by this section, would have a serious adverse effect on vital United States interests and that I have received reliable assurances that Libya will not acquire or develop nuclear weapons or assist other nations in doing so.

Pursuant to section 102(b) of the Arms Export Control Act, I hereby determine that Libya, a non-nuclear weapon state, sought

and received design information that I determine to be important to, and intended by Libya for use in, the development or manufacture of a nuclear explosive device. I hereby determine and certify that the application of sanctions, as required by this section, would have a serious adverse effect on vital United States interests.

Pursuant to section 2(b)(4) of the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945, as amended, I hereby determine and certify that it is in the national interest for the Export-Import Bank to guarantee, insure, or extend credit, or participate in the extension of credit in support of United States exports to Libya.

You are directed to report this determination to the Congress and to provide copies of the justification explaining the basis for this determination. You are further directed to publish this determination in the *Federal Register*.

**George W. Bush**

**Memorandum on Continuation of the Exercise of Certain Authorities Under the Trading With the Enemy Act**

*September 10, 2004*

Presidential Determination No. 2004-45

*Memorandum for the Secretary of State, the Secretary of the Treasury*

*Subject:* Continuation of the Exercise of Certain Authorities under the Trading with the Enemy Act

Under section 101(b) of Public Law 95-223 (91 Stat. 1625; 50 U.S.C. App. 5(b) note), and a previous determination on September 12, 2003 (68 *Fed. Reg.* 54325), the exercise of certain authorities under the Trading with the Enemy Act is scheduled to terminate on September 14, 2004.

I hereby determine that the continuation for 1 year of the exercise of those authorities with respect to the applicable countries is in the national interest of the United States.

Therefore, pursuant to the authority vested in me by section 101(b) of Public Law