

In the evening, the President traveled to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX.

The White House announced that the President will welcome Prime Minister Ariel Sharon of Israel to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX, on April 11.

The President announced his intention to nominate Linda M. Springer to be Director of the Office of Personnel Management.

The President announced his intention to appoint John Belle as a member of the Commission of Fine Arts.

The President announced his intention to appoint Herbert F. Ames as a member of the National Capital Planning Commission.

The President announced his intention to appoint A. Norman Crowder III, Robert Gordan, and Leopoldo E. Guzman as members of the Advisory Committee to the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

The President announced his intention to designate James E. Nevels as Chair of the Advisory Committee to the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (Access Board): Tricia Mason; Philip G. Pearce; Daniel O. Rios; and John O. Woods, Jr.

The President announced his intention to appoint Charles M. Younger as a member of the Board of Visitors to the U.S. Military Academy.

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 March 14

Paul D. Clement,
of Virginia, to be Solicitor General of the United States, vice Theodore Bevy Olson, resigned.

Charles F. Conner,
of Indiana, to be Deputy Secretary of Agriculture, vice James R. Moseley.

Michael D. Griffin,
of Virginia, to be Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, vice Sean O'Keefe, resigned.

Robert Joseph,
of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security, vice John Robert Bolton.

Kim Wang,
of California, to be a member of the National Museum and Library Services Board for a term expiring December 6, 2009 (reappointment).

Submitted March 15

James H. Bilbray,
of Nevada, to be a member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission (new position).

Philip Coyle,
of California, to be a member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission (new position).

Adm. Harold W. Gehman, Jr., USN, Ret.,
of Virginia, to be a member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission (new position).

James V. Hansen,
of Utah, to be a member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission (new position).

Gen. James T. Hill, USA, Ret.,
of Florida, to be a member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission (new position).

Claude M. Kicklighter,
of Georgia, to be a member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission (new position).

Samuel Knox Skinner,
of Illinois, to be a member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission (new position).

Brig. Gen. Sue Ellen Turner, USAF, Ret., of Texas, to be a member of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission (new position).

Submitted March 17

Joseph H. Boardman, of New York, to be Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration, vice Allan Rutter, resigned.

John Robert Bolton, of Maryland, to be the Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, and the Representative of the United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations.

John Robert Bolton, of Maryland, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations.

Stephen L. Johnson, of Maryland, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, vice Michael O. Leavitt.

John D. Negroponte, of New York, to be Director of National Intelligence (new position).

**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 March 14

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Statement by the Press Secretary extending the President's congratulations to Madagascar as the first country to have its Millennium Challenge Account Compact approved by the Millennium Challenge Corporation Board

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Alaska

Statements by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Maine

Announcement of nomination for Under Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy

Released March 15

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Statement by the Press Secretary on the Senate vote to seek a permanent solution for Social Security

Released March 17

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Announcement of nomination for U.S. Trade Representative

Released March 18

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Statement by the Press Secretary on the upcoming visit of Prime Minister Ariel Sharon of Israel

**Acts Approved
by the President**

NOTE: No acts approved by the President were received by the Office of the Federal Register during the period covered by this issue.