

May God bless you.

NOTE: The President spoke at 10:12 a.m. in the Navy Marine Corps Memorial Stadium. In his remarks, he referred to Secretary of the Navy Gordon R. England; Adm. Vern Clark, USN, Chief of Naval Operations; Gen. William L. Nyland, USMC, Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps; Vice Adm. Rodney P. Rempt, USN, superintendent, Capt. Charles J. Leidig, Jr., USN, commandant of midshipmen, and William C. Miller, academic dean and provost, U.S. Naval Academy; Lt. Gov. Michael S. Steele of Maryland; Col. Muammar Abu Minyar al-Qadhafi, leader of Libya; Usama bin Laden, leader of the Al Qaida terrorist organization; Abu Faraj al-Libbi, senior Al Qaida associate arrested in Pakistan on April 30; and senior Al Qaida associate Abu Musab Al Zarqawi.

Letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives Giving Notification of Intent To Reallocate Funds Previously Transferred From the Emergency Response Fund

May 27, 2005

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I am notifying the Congress of my intent to reallocate funds previously transferred from the Emergency Response Fund (ERF).

To promote democracy and freedom, \$7.7 million of ERF funds will be reallocated within the Broadcasting Board of Governors to support the operational costs of Arabic radio and television broadcasting to the Middle East.

The details of this action are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

Sincerely,

George W. Bush

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.

May 21

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Grand Rapids, MI, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Ruth Dekker. Later, he returned to Washington, DC.

In the evening, at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel, the President attended the White House News Photographers' Association "Eyes of History" gala.

May 23

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Oval Office, he met with President Hamid Karzai of Afghanistan.

Also in the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with Mrs. Bush to discuss her ongoing travels in the Middle East.

In the afternoon, the President had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi of Italy to discuss United Nations Security Council reform and other issues.

May 24

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Rochester, NY, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer George-Ann Schaufele. He then traveled to Greece, NY.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC. Later, in the Residence, he met with Republican Members of the House of Representatives to discuss legislative priorities.

The White House announced that the President will welcome Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan of Turkey to the White House on June 8.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Roh Moo-hyun of South Korea to the White House for a meeting and working lunch on June 10.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jan E. Boyer to be U.S. Alternate Executive Director of the Inter-American Development Bank.

The President announced his intention to nominate Timothy E. Flanigan to be Deputy