

Konstandinos Karamanlis of Greece to congratulate him on his September 17 reelection and to express his condolences for the loss of life during the August wildfires. Later, he had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Stephen Harper of Canada. He then had an intelligence briefing.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Fort Meade, MD, where, at the National Security Agency, he participated in a briefing on the implementation of Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) reforms. He then greeted National Security Agency employees.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC. Later, in the Roosevelt Room, he participated in an interview with Michael Barone of U.S. News and World Report, Tony Blankley of the Washington Times, David Brooks of the New York Times, Ron Kessler of NewsMax magazine, Charles Krauthammer of the Washington Post, William Kristol of the Weekly Standard, and Larry Kudlow, Kathryn Lopez, and Kate O'Beirne of the National Review. Then, in the Oval Office, he participated in a photo opportunity with the 2007 Boys and Girls Clubs of America Youth of the Year regional finalists.

### **September 20**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

### **September 21**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, at the historic Evermay house, the President attended a Republican National Committee luncheon.

The President announced that he has named Adam Belmar as Deputy Assistant to the President and Deputy Director of Communications for Production.

The President announced that he has named Spencer Geissinger as Deputy Assistant to the President for Advance and Operations.

The President declared a major disaster in Missouri and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding from August 19–21.

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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.

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### **Submitted September 18**

Anita K. Blair,  
of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy, vice William A. Navas, Jr., resigned.

Michael W. Hager,  
of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Human Resources and Management), vice Robert Allen Pittman, resigned.

Keith Hall,  
of Virginia, to be Commissioner of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor, for a term of 4 years, vice Kathleen P. Utgoff, term expired.

### **Withdrawn September 18**

Anita K. Blair,  
of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, vice Michael L. Dominguez, which was sent to the Senate on January 9, 2007.

### **Submitted September 21**

Michael B. Mukasey,  
of New York, to be Attorney General, vice Alberto R. Gonzales, resigned.

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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.

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**Released September 17**

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Dana Perino

Transcript of a background briefing by a senior administration official on the Attorney General nomination

Statement by the Press Secretary on the President's annual report listing major illicit drug transit and drug producing countries

Fact sheet: Michael Mukasey: A Strong Attorney General

**Released September 18**

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Dana Perino

Statement by the Press Secretary on Global Positioning System (GPS) satellites

**Released September 19**

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Dana Perino

Fact sheet: FISA 101: Why FISA Modernization Amendments Must be Made Permanent

**Released September 20**

Transcript of a press briefing by Health and Human Services Secretary Michael O. Leavitt on SCHIP legislation

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 2358 and S. 377

**Released September 21**

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Dana Perino

Transcript of a press briefing by Council on Environmental Quality Chairman Jim Connaughton, National Security Council Deputy National Security Adviser for International Economic Affairs Dan Price, and National Security Council Senior Director for Democracy, Human Rights, and International Organizations Michael Kozak on the United Nations General Assembly and the upcoming meeting by major economies on energy security and climate change

Statement by the Press Secretary on the President's support for reauthorizing SCHIP

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Missouri

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**Acts Approved  
by the President**


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**Approved September 20**

H.R. 2358 / Public Law 110-82  
Native American \$1 Coin Act

S. 377 / Public Law 110-83  
United States-Poland Parliamentary Youth Exchange Program Act of 2007