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The President announced his intention to nominate John J. Faso, Joe Manchin III, and Harvey M. Tettlebaum to be members of the Board of Trustees of the James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation.

The President announced his intention to nominate Matthew S. Petersen to be a member of the Federal Election Commission.

The President announced his intention to appoint Joseph Cascio as Federal Environmental Executive of the Environmental Protection Agency.

The President announced his intention to appoint Gary S. Becker, Lucille Shapiro, and Robert J. Zimmer as members of the President's Committee on the National Medal of Science.

The President announced his intention to designate Matthew W. Friedrich as Acting Assistant Attorney General (Criminal Division).

The President announced his intention to designate Jason J. Fichtner as Acting Deputy Commissioner of Social Security.

The President announced his intention to designate Linda P.B. Katehi as Chairman of the President's Committee on the National Medal of Science.

May 23

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Situation Room, he participated in a Homeland Security Council meeting, where he was briefed on the upcoming hurricane season. Then, on the South Lawn, he participated in an interview with Neil Cavuto of FOX News.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Camp David, MD.

The President declared a major disaster in Georgia and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the

area struck by severe storms and tornadoes on May 11 and 12.

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 tornadoes on May 10 and 11.

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 May 20

Asif J. Chaudhry, of Washington, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Moldova.

Husein A. Cumber, of Florida, to be a member of the Surface Transportation Board for a term expiring December 31, 2013, vice W. Douglas Buttrey, term expiring.

Tina S. Kaidanow, of the District of Columbia, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Kosovo.

Withdrawn May 20

A. Paul Anderson, of Florida, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for the term expiring June 30, 2012 (reappointment), which was sent to the Senate on August 2, 2007.

Arlene Holen, of the District of Columbia, to be a member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission for a term of 6 years expiring August 30, 2010, vice Robert H. Beatty,

Jr., term expired, which was sent to the Senate on January 9, 2007.

Hans von Spakovsky, of Georgia, to be a member of the Federal Election Commission for a term expiring April 30, 2011, vice Bradley A. Smith, resigned, which was sent to the Senate on January 9, 2007.

Submitted May 22

Michael B. Bemis, of Mississippi, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2013, vice Skila Harris, resigned.

Patrick J. Durkin, of Connecticut, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for a term expiring December 17, 2009, vice Ned L. Siegel, term expired.

John J. Faso, of New York, to be a member of the Board of Trustees of the James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation for a term expiring May 29, 2013, vice David Wesley Fleming, term expired.

David F. Girard-diCarlo, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Austria.

Joe Manchin III, of West Virginia, to be a member of the Board of Trustees of the James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation for a term expiring November 5, 2012, vice George Perdue, term expired.

Harvey M. Tettlebaum, of Missouri, to be a member of the Board of Trustees of the James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation for a term expiring October 3, 2012, vice Marc R. Pacheco, term expired.

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 May 18

Transcript of a press briefing by Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice

Transcript of a press briefing by National Security Adviser Stephen J. Hadley

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 6051

Advance text of the President's remarks to the World Economic Forum in Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt

Released May 19

Transcript of a press briefing by Deputy Press Secretary Scott M. Stanzel

Statement by Counselor to the President Edward W. Gillespie on the President's interview with Richard Engel of NBC News in Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 6022

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Kentucky

Released May 20

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Dana Perino

Statement by the Press Secretary on the President and Mrs. Bush's upcoming visit to Europe

Statement by the Press Secretary on Iran

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Arkansas

Released May 21

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Dana Perino and Office of Management and Budget Director James A. Nussle