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**George W. Bush**

**Memorandum on Designation of Officers of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence To Act as Director of National Intelligence**

October 3, 2008

*Memorandum for the Director of National Intelligence*

*Subject:* Designation of Officers of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence To Act as Director of National Intelligence

By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, including the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998, 5 U.S.C. 3345 *et seq.*, it is hereby ordered that:

**Section 1.** Subject to the provisions of sections 2 and 3 of this memorandum, the following officers of the office of the Director of National Intelligence, in the order listed, shall act as and perform the functions and duties of the office of the Director of National Intelligence (DNI), during any period in which the DNI and the Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence have died, resigned, or otherwise become unable to perform the functions and duties of the office of the DNI, until such time as the DNI or the Principal Deputy Director is able to perform the functions and duties of the office of DNI:

- (a) Director of the Intelligence Staff;
- (b) Deputy Director of National Intelligence for Policy, Plans, and Requirements;
- (c) Deputy Director of National Intelligence for Analysis;
- (d) Deputy Director of National Intelligence for Collection;
- (e) Director of the National Counterterrorism Center; and
- (f) National Counterintelligence Executive.

**Sec. 2. National Security Act of 1947.** This memorandum shall not supersede the authority of the Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence to act for, and exercise the powers of, the Director of National Intelligence during the absence or disability of the Director of National Intelligence or during a vacancy in the position of Director of National Intelligence (National Security Act of 1947, as amended, 50 U.S.C. 403–3a).

**Sec. 3. Exceptions.** (a) No individual who is serving in an office listed in section 1 in an acting capacity, by virtue of so serving, shall act as DNI pursuant to this memorandum.

(b) No individual listed in section 1 shall act as DNI unless that individual is otherwise eligible to so serve under the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of this memorandum, the President retains discretion, to the extent permitted by law, to depart from this memorandum in designating an acting DNI.

**Sec. 4.** This memorandum supersedes the President's memorandum of December 20, 2005 (Designation of Officers of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence to Act as Director of National Intelligence).

**Sec. 5.** This memorandum is intended to improve the internal management of the executive branch and is not intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the United States, its agencies, instrumentalities, or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person.

**Sec. 6.** You are authorized and directed to publish this memorandum in the *Federal Register*.

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NOTE: This memorandum will be published in the *Federal Register* on October 8.

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## **Digest of Other White House Announcements**

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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.

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### **September 27**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, on the South Lawn, he and Mrs. Bush participated in commemorative tree planting ceremonies with their daughter Jenna and her husband, Henry Hager.

### **September 29**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he had separate telephone conversations with several Republican Members of Congress to discuss proposed economic stabilization legislation.

The President announced his intention to nominate G. David Banks to be Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (International Activities).

The President announced his intention to nominate David Kelly to be Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration at the Department of Transportation.

The President announced his intention to appoint Brent R. Benjamin as a member of the Cultural Property Advisory Committee.

### **September 30**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he had separate telephone conversations with Republican Presidential nominee John McCain and Democrat Presidential nominee Barack Obama to discuss proposed economic stabilization legislation.

The President announced his intention to nominate Robert W. McGowan to be a Governor of the Board of Governors of the U.S. Postal Service.

### **October 1**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he had separate telephone conversations with several Members of Congress to discuss proposed economic

stabilization legislation. He then had several meetings with his economic advisers.

In the afternoon, the President had lunch with Secretary of the Treasury Henry M. Paulson, Jr., and Chairman of the Federal Reserve Ben S. Bernanke to discuss the financial markets and proposed economic stabilization legislation.

In the evening, the President had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister Manmohan Singh of India to discuss the passage of H.R. 7081, the United States-India Nuclear Cooperation Approval and Non-proliferation Enhancement Act.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Ivan Gasparovic of Slovakia to the White House on October 9.

The President declared a major disaster in Puerto Rico and ordered Federal aid to supplement Commonwealth and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding beginning on September 21 and continuing.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jonathan R. Scharfen to be Director of the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services at the Department of Homeland Security.

The President announced his intention to designate F. Chase Hutto III as Acting Assistant Secretary of Energy (International Affairs and Domestic Policy).

### **October 2**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

During the day, the President had separate telephone conversations with several Members of the House of Representatives to discuss proposed economic stabilization legislation.

### **October 3**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, at the Treasury Department, the President met with Secretary of the Treasury Henry M. Paulson, Jr., and Treasury Department employees. Later, he traveled to St. Louis, MO, where, at a private residence, he attended a Hulshof for Governor dinner.