

*Appendix A / Administration of George W. Bush, 2005*

Later in the afternoon, in Room 350 of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Executive Office Building, the President dropped by a meeting of business leaders. Later, in the Oval Office, he participated in a bill signing ceremony for H.R. 2744, the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2006.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush hosted a dinner for the 40th anniversary of the National Endowment for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The President declared a major disaster in Massachusetts and ordered Federal aid to supplement Commonwealth and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding on October 7–16.

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, flooding, landslides, and mudslides on October 9–15.

*November 11*

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Avoca, PA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Anthony Blackwell, Sr. He then traveled to Tobyhanna, PA.

In the afternoon, at Tobyhanna Army Depot, the President met with family members of U.S. military personnel killed in Iraq and Afghanistan. Later, he returned to Washington, DC. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had a telephone conversation with Prime Minister John Howard of Australia.

*November 12*

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

*November 14*

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Anchorage, AK, where, upon arrival in the afternoon, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Peter Henry.

In the afternoon, at Elmendorf Air Force Base, the President met with family members of U.S. military personnel killed in Iraq and Afghanistan. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Kyoto, Japan, crossing the international date-line and arriving the following evening.

*November 16*

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, at the Kinkakuji Temple of the Golden Pavilion, he and Mrs. Bush attended a cultural performance.

Later in the morning, at the Kyoto State Guest House, the President met with Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi of Japan.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush had lunch with Prime Minister Koizumi. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Busan, South Korea, arriving in the evening.

The President announced his intention to nominate Marc L. Kesselman to be General Counsel of the Department of Agriculture.

The President announced his intention to nominate Peter N. Kirsanow to be a member of the National Labor Relations Board.

The President announced his intention to nominate Claudia A. McMurray to be Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs.

The President announced his intention to nominate Daniel Meron to be General Counsel of the Department of Health and Human Services.

The President announced his intention to appoint Noel Michael McKinnell as a member of the Commission of Fine Arts.

The President declared a major disaster in Kansas and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding on October 1–2.

*November 17*

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Gyeongju, South Korea, where, at the Hotel Hyundai, he met with President Roh Moo-hyun of South Korea.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush had lunch with President Roh and his wife, Kwon Yang-sook. Later, they toured the Bulguksa Temple. They then returned to Busan, South Korea.

Later in the afternoon, at the Westin Chosun Hotel, the President met with Prime Minister Abdullah bin Ahmad Badawi of Malaysia.

In the evening, the President had a telephone conversation with President Pervez Musharraf of Pakistan to discuss recovery efforts following the earthquake in Pakistan on October 8.