

Maria Aznar of Spain, in his capacity as President of the European Union, concerning global climate change.

Later in the morning, the President had intelligence briefings.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Silver Spring, MD, and later returned to Washington, DC.

Later in the afternoon, in a ceremony in the Oval Office, the President received diplomatic credentials from Ambassadors Molelekeng Rapolaki of Lesotho, Tertius Zongo of Burkina Faso, Armando A. Panguene of Mozambique, John Wood of New Zealand, Syed Hasan Ahmad of Bangladesh, Jai Pratap Rana of Nepal, Elena Poptodorova of Bulgaria, Soemadi Djoko Moerdjono Brotodiningrat of Indonesia, and Diego Ramiro Guelar of Argentina.

In the evening, in the East Room, the President participated in the taping of a television production entitled "Celebrating America's Musical Heritage: A Salute to Gospel Music," for later broadcast on the PAX network.

The President announced his intention to appoint John LeRoy Henderson as a member of the President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities.

#### *February 15*

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo of the Philippines concerning cooperation against terrorism. Later, he had intelligence briefings and met with the National Security Council. He then met with President Jorge Battle of Uruguay in the Oval Office.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jeremy H.G. Ibrahim and David B. Rivkin, Jr., to be members of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States.

The President announced his intention to nominate the following individuals to be members of the National Council on the Arts:

Maribeth McGinley;  
David Gelemter;  
Evelyn Dee "Deedie" Potter Rose;  
Don V. Cogman;  
Katharine DeWitt; and  
Teresa Lozano Long.

The White House announced that the President and Mrs. Bush urge school groups to visit

the White House, which reopened for such tours that morning.

#### *February 16*

In the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Anchorage, AK.

In the afternoon, the President met with members of the Alaska Federation of Natives, Inc., at the Alaska Native Heritage Center.

#### *February 17*

In the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Tokyo, Japan. Following their arrival in the afternoon, they met with U.S. Embassy employees and their families at the Embassy.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush had dinner with U.S. Ambassador to Japan Howard H. Baker, Jr., and his wife, Nancy Kassebaum Baker, at the Ambassador's residence.

#### *February 18*

In the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush visited the Meiji Jingu Shrine, where they viewed a mounted archery demonstration.

In the afternoon, the President had a working lunch with Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi of Japan at Iikura House.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush attended a reception at the Kantei, the Prime Minister's official residence. Later, they attended a dinner hosted by Prime Minister Koizumi at the Gonpachi restaurant.

#### *February 19*

In the morning, the President had a breakfast meeting with Japanese businessmen at the U.S. Ambassador's residence.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush attended a luncheon hosted by Emperor Akihito and Empress Michiko of Japan at the Imperial Palace.

Later in the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Seoul, South Korea, where they participated in an arrival ceremony at the airport. They then went to the U.S. Embassy, where they greeted employees and their families.

#### *February 20*

In the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush participated in a welcoming ceremony at the Blue House, the residence of President Kim Dae-jung of South Korea, with President Kim and his wife, Lee Hee-ho.