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SUBJECT COVERAGE

- A Daybook itemizing government events, both public and private, that occur in Washington, DC, for the day, week, or month ahead
- Congressional Committee hearings and witness testimony
- Daily White House, State Department, and Defense Department briefings
- English transcripts of official policy statements by Russian officials from the Kremlin
- National Press Club luncheons, including the question-and-answer periods
- Selected coverage of United Nations events
- Speeches and statements made by the President in the U.S. and abroad
- Statements and testimony of senior officials of the Office of Management and Budget, Treasury, State, and Defense Departments
- Statements made by foreign dignitaries while in the U.S.
- U.S. Trade Representative press briefings and statements

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SAMPLE DAYBOOK RECORD

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SF= 00248541 SUBFILE: Daybook
/TI FEDERAL AGENCIES AND DEPARTMENTS - PART 1

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 2000
SECTION HEADING: Projected Daily Schedule
DL= DATELINE: Washington dateline general news
PD=, DA=, PY= SCHEDULE DATE: 000112 YEAR: 2000

WD=, LI= APPROXIMATE WORD COUNT: 000925 APPROXIMATE LINE COUNT: 00084
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EV=, /TX 1:00 pm EVENT: MEETING - AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT, FOOD SAFETY AND INSPECTION SERVICE (FSIS), WITH HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT (F.R. PAGE 69685)

/TX SUBJECT: Agriculture Department, Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), with Health and Human Services Department (F.R. page 69685) sponsor a meeting to provide information and receive public comments on issues that will be discussed at the meeting of the Codex Committee on Food Import and Export Inspection and Certification Systems (CCFICS), which will be held in Adelaide, Australia, February 21-25, 2000.

/TX LOCATION: Room 1409, Federal Office Building 8, 200 C Street SW, Washington, DC
-- January 13, 2000

/TX CONTACT: Patrick J. Clerkin, 202-205-7760

dest+ dbfedag,dbdoc,dbenvrmt,dbnatres

8:30 am EVENT: MEETING - COMMERCE DEPARTMENT, NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION, NATIONAL SEA GRANT REVIEW
(...)

/TX dest+ dbfedag,dbdhhs,dbhlth,MEDIC

/TX 9:30 am EVENT: MEETING - HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT (HHS), PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE (PHS), FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION (FDA) (F.R. PAGE 69774)

EV=, /TX SUBJECT: Health and Human Services Department (HHS), Public Health Service (PHS), Food and Drug Administration (FDA) (F.R. page 69774) holds a meeting of the Ophthalmic Devices Panel of the Medical Devices Advisory Committee. Committee will discuss, make recommendations, and vote on a premarket approval application (PMA) for a holmium laser for the correction of hyperopia using laser thermal keratomileusis.

/TX LOCATION: Corporate Bldg., conference room 020B, 9200 Corporate Blvd., Rockville, MD
-- January 13, 2000

/TX CONTACT: Sara M. Thornton, 301-594-2053

/ID KEYWORDS: daybook; fed; I; thu
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SAMPLE RECORD FROM FNS SUBFILE

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SF= 00248565 SUBFILE: FNS
/TI TITLE: THE WHITE HOUSE REGULAR BRIEFING

/TX BRIEFER: JOE LOCKHART, WHITE HOUSE SPOKESMAN

/TI LOCATION: WHITE HOUSE BRIEFING ROOM, WASHINGTON, D.C.

TIME: 12:20 P.M. EST
DATE: WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2000

SH= SECTION HEADING: White House briefing
DL= DATELINE: International news, including United Nations dateline and updated roundups keyed to foreign events

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THIS IS A RUSH TRANSCRIPT. -----

MR. LOCKHART: I am not sure there is anything left. But welcome to our weekly briefing here, a new feature of the millennium. I think we'll do it next week on Tuesday, if that feels good for everybody.

Yes, sir?

Q Joe, did you have a chance to read Robert Reich's editorial -- (laughter) -- and what do you think of his comments that gun and tobacco losses undermine the democratic process?

MR. LOCKHART: Well, I will resist the temptation to call it short-sighted, but --

Q Why?

MR. LOCKHART: -- no, I think -- seriously -- (laughter) -- seriously, I think that, you know, the Constitution is fairly clear in investing power in the executive branch, in the judicial branch and in the congressional branch.

We have a congressional majority right now that seems intent on thwarting the will of the majority in this country on gun safety, on tobacco. And, therefore, the president will use the authority invested in him by the Constitution and the laws of this country, to seek alternative solutions.

SAMPLE RECORD FROM FNS SUBFILE (cont'd)

Q But, Joe -- I mean, Mr. Reich's major point was that, "If you don't like the Congress, change it."

(...)

This is about peace. This is about whether Northern Ireland will become an area that will fully participate in the economic recovery and the economic renaissance that Ireland and Europe are experiencing, or whether it will be an area that will be bogged down in the ancient religious hatred that has so dominated the last decades in that area.

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So this -- you know, I don't think the president looks at this and says how does this affect me; he looks at it as how does it affect the people of this country, how does it affect the people in Ireland, whether it be the Northern Ireland peace process or the Middle East peace process or work we're doing in Africa. This is all about doing the job that he was elected to do and doing it in a way that I think the American public support.

(...)

Q Thanks.

MR. LOCKHART: Thanks.

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SAMPLE RECORD FROM KREMLIN SUBFILE

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00248354 SUBFILE: Kremlin TITLE: INTERVIEW GRANTED BY ACTING PRESIDENT VLADIMIR PUTIN TO ORT NEWS PROGRAM (ORT NEWS PROGRAM, JANUARY 4, 2000) SECTION HEADING: Kremlin DATELINE: International news, including United Nations dateline and updated roundups keyed to foreign events FILING DATE: 000105 YEAR: 2000

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Anchor: And now we will have an exclusive interview granted by Vladimir Putin to our television channel.

Interviewer: Vladimir Vladimirovich: Boris Nikolayevich Yeltsin's sudden departure from his post has given rise to a maze of questions here and abroad. Perhaps, we could try to answer at least some of them.

Putin: Let's try.

SAMPLE RECORD FROM KREMLIN SUBFILE (cont'd)

Q: So, when did Boris Nikolayevich first speak on this subject, the subject of his resignation?

Putin: That was about ten days before New Year. I came to him with a regular report on economic matters, on the situation in the Northern Caucasus and noticed after my first reports that Boris Nikolayevich was thinking about something else. But I continued with my report as planned. Then he interrupted me and said, "You know, lately I have been thinking a lot about how the situation is forming in the country and have decided to resign".

Q: What were his arguments, why did he decide that this was necessary?

Putin: It is difficult for me to say. This question should be put to Boris Nikolayevich. I can only repeat what he told me and what my answers were. It may be that he had some other thoughts, but that is something I do not know. In any case, as you can guess, after such a statement by the President that came quite as a surprise to me, my response was quite a restrained one.

(...)

You know, I never aspired for this. There are people here who can be called professional politicians who have been here for decades. Career is in their blood. I never set myself any such tasks. It simply has so happened. That is why, to a certain extent, all recent events were sudden for me. I simply used to find myself in some concrete place and in this concrete place at a given point in time some problems appeared and needed to be solved. But I did not think about how this would affect my career. I simply knew that these tasks had to be dealt with. I looked for the most effective solutions. And sometimes I was successful. Most often I was successful.

Well, in the course of my conversation with Boris Nikolayevich when I told him all this, he said something that I regard as very important. And these words really do change something. He said, "You know, one of the reasons why I am taking this decision is that something that I regard as very important has happened -- people have faith in you."

In my opinion, this is more important, indeed, than a transfer from one office to another, even from one building to another, regardless of how beautiful the building is. Even if this is the Kremlin. And this is what is of the greatest importance.

Q: Thank you very much for your sincere answers and I wish you every success.

Putin: Thank you and a Happy New Year.

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KEYWORDS: krm; putin

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/TI	TI	Title ²	Word	S VLADIMIR(W)PUTIN/TI
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