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Office of the White House Press Secretary

NOTICE TO THE PRESS

The President has signed S. J. Res. 168 - Reappoint James Webb to Board of Regents of Smithsonian Institution. This bill reappoints James E. Webb as a member of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

The Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution is composed of the Vice President, the Chief Justice of the United States, three members of the Senate, three members of the House, and nine other persons. The nine citizen regents are appointed by a joint resolution of the Congress and serve 6-year terms.

The President has signed S. 3187 - Extend appropriation authorization for National Commission on New Technological Uses of Copyrighted Works. This bill extends the appropriation authorization for the National Commission on New Technological Uses of Copyrighted Works to the termination date of the Commission.

Public Law 93-573, enacted December 31, 1974, established a National Commission on New Technological Uses of Copyrighted Works to study and make recommendations to the President and the Congress concerning the use of copyrighted works. The Commission is required to submit a final report within three years of the enactment of Public Law 93-573, i.e., by December 31, 1977 and it must terminate not later than 60 days thereafter, i.e., no later than March 1, 1978.

The President has signed S. 2760 - Amendments to the Indochina Migration and Refugee Assistance Act of 1975. This bill will make Laotian refugees eligible for the same evacuation and resettlement assistance as is provided for Vietnamese and Cambodian refugees.

The Indochina Migration and Refugee Assistance Act of 1975, Public Law 94-23, authorizes the appropriation of \$455 million for assistance to Vietnamese and Cambodian refugees. Under the Act, which was enacted after the fall of the governments in both South Vietnam and Cambodia, the Department of State provides for evacuation and reception expenses and the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (HEW) pays for longer-term resettlement costs in the United States.

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