



THE GLOBAL MESSENGER

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TODAY'S SCHEDULE

All Times Eastern Daylight Time. Subject to Change

7:45 am President Bush meets with Pakistani President Musharraf, New York, NY

NATIONS WORKING TO ADVANCE HUMAN DIGNITY

From remarks by President Bush, New York, 9/21/04

- ✓ Because we believe in human dignity, America and many nations have established a global fund to fight AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria.
- ✓ Because we believe in human dignity, America and many nations have joined together to confront the evil of trafficking in human beings.
- ✓ Because we believe in human dignity, we should take seriously the protection of life from exploitation under any pretext.
- ✓ Because we believe in human dignity, America and many nations have changed the way we fight poverty, curb corruption, and provide aid.
- ✓ Because we believe in human dignity, America and many nations have acted to lift the crushing burden of debt that limits the growth of developing economies, and holds millions of people in poverty.
- ✓ Because we believe in human dignity, the world must have more effective means to stabilize regions in turmoil, and to halt religious violence and ethnic cleansing.
- ✓ Because we believe in human dignity, peaceful nations must stand for the advance of democracy. No other system of government has done more to protect minorities, to secure the rights of labor, to raise the status of women, or to channel human energy to the pursuits of peace.

KEY POINTS

From remarks by President Bush in his Address to the United Nations General Assembly, New York, 9/21/04

- Every nation that seeks peace has an obligation to help build that world. Eventually, there is no safe isolation from terror networks, or failed states that shelter them, or outlaw regimes, or weapons of mass destruction. Eventually, there is no safety in looking away, seeking the quiet life by ignoring the struggles and oppression of others.
- The rights of mankind are advancing across the world – and across the world, the enemies of human rights are responding with violence.
- Terrorists and their allies believe that dictators should control every mind and tongue in the Middle East and beyond. They believe that suicide and torture and murder are fully justified to serve any goal they declare, and they act on their beliefs.
- In the last year alone, terrorists have attacked police stations, and banks, and commuter trains, and synagogues – and a school filled with children. All civilized nations are in this struggle together, and all must fight the murderers.

DEMOCRACY FUND

Because President Bush believes the advance of liberty is the path to both a safer and better world, he has proposed to the General Assembly to establish a Democracy Fund within the United Nations.

The fund would help countries lay the foundations of democracy by instituting the rule of law and independent courts, a free press, political parties and trade unions. Money from the fund would also help set up voter precincts and polling places, and support the work of election monitors.

The United States will make an initial contribution and President Bush urges other nations to contribute, as well.

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