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Cabinet Report

For the Week of July 21, 2003

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TOP ITEMS
FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 21, 2003

- ***Secretary Sends Annual Report on State Teacher Quality Initiatives to Congress.***
On July 15, Secretary Paige sent the Department of Education's second annual report on teacher quality to Congress and announced outreach efforts to provide assistance to states, educators, and administrators as they work to meet *No Child Left Behind's* goal of having a highly qualified teacher in every classroom by 2005-2006. Your 2004 budget proposal includes a commitment of more than \$4 billion in Federal funding to help states prepare, recruit, and retain teachers in order to meet the highly qualified teacher requirements.
- ***USDA to Donate Commodities to the Afghan Government.***
USDA has signed a Food for Progress grant agreement that will provide 4,200 tons of soybean oil, valued at \$5 million, to the Transitional Islamic State of Afghanistan. Under this first-ever grant to the new government, the proceeds from the sale of the oil will be used for agricultural development projects.
- ***DOT to Highlight President's New Freedom Initiative at ADA Anniversary Events.***
The Department of Transportation will conduct a series of activities to commemorate the 13th Anniversary of the signing of the Americans with Disabilities Act on July 21. The events, including three speeches by Secretary Mineta, will highlight your commitment to accessible transportation for people with disabilities, as reflected in the Administration's New Freedom Initiative. Most recently, DOT has undertaken a series of enforcement actions against airlines for violations of the accessibility requirements of the Air Carrier Access Act.
- ***Abraham to Tour Liquefied Natural Gas Facility in Maryland.***
On July 21, Secretary Abraham will tour the Nation's largest liquefied natural gas (LNG) import facility, Dominion Cove Point LNG LP, located on the Chesapeake Bay. In 2002, Dominion purchased Cove Point for \$217 million and is planning to reactivate Cove Point as an active LNG terminal, with its first tanker delivery scheduled for this month. After reactivation, Dominion Cove Point will have storage capacity of enough energy to run approximately 3.4 million homes a day.
- ***Board of Immigration Appeal (BIA) Streamlining Procedures Upheld.***
On July 14, *Carriche v. Ashcroft* in the Ninth Circuit joined the First, Fifth, Seventh, and Eleventh Circuits in holding that the Board of Immigration Appeals' (BIA's) regulatory streamlining procedures do not violate due process. The Court held that decisions rendered by a single member of the BIA and affirmance without opinion (hallmarks of the streamlining procedures) do not violate due process, and serve a substantial government interest.
- ***Secretaries Chao, Evans, and Snow on Bus Trip Highlighting Jobs and Growth Plan.***
On July 29 and 30, Secretaries Chao, Evans, and Snow will travel to Wisconsin and Minnesota to highlight your efforts to advance economic recovery, create jobs, and assist workers. The Secretaries will meet with working Americans, retirees, and businesses and community leaders in a series of tours and meetings.

PRESIDENTIAL DISASTER DECLARATIONS

- ***State of Indiana: Severe Storms, Tornadoes and Flooding.***
Issued July 11. Major Disaster Declaration for Individual and Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation.
- ***State of Arizona: Wildfires.***
Issued July 14. Major Disaster Declaration for Individual and Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation.
- ***State of Ohio: Severe Storms and Flooding.***
Issued July 15. Major Disaster Declaration for Individual Assistance and Hazard Mitigation.

KEY SPEAKING AND TRAVEL ENGAGEMENTS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Audience/Event</u>	<u>Speech</u>
<i>Secretary Abraham</i>			
21 - July	Cove Point, MD	Tour of Cove Point LNG Facility	N/A
<i>General Ashcroft</i>			
21 - July	Anchorage, AK	Mtg with Federal Judges, DOJ Office, Anti-Terrorism Task Force, Press Event	War on Terrorism
22 - July	Seattle, WA	Mtg with Federal Judges, DOJ Office, Anti-Terrorism Task Force, Press Event	War on Terrorism
<i>Secretary Chao</i>			
25 - July	Washington, D.C.	College Republican National Convention	Administration's Leadership
<i>Secretary Evans</i>			
21 - July	Washington, D.C.	Videoconference to Chamber of Commerce Executive Leadership Group in Florida	Economic Update
23 - July	Washington, D.C.	Chamber of Commerce Trade Fly-In	Trade
24 - July	Washington, D.C.	Republican Theme Team	Trade & Economic Growth

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<i>Secretary Martinez</i>			
21 - July	New York, NY	Lower Manhattan Development Corporation	Minority Homeownership
22 - July	Washington, D.C.	Rep. John Boozman Fundraiser	Political
<i>Secretary Mineta</i>			
21 - July	Washington, D.C.	Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Anniversary Event	Commemorating the 13th Anniversary to the Signing of the ADA
21 - July	Washington, D.C.	Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) 9/11 Awards Ceremony	Recognition to DOT's FMCSA Employees
24 - July	Washington, D.C.	Regional Dialogues on Accessible Transportation Session	Improving Transportation for People With Disabilities
25 - July	Fort Eustis, VA	U.S. Army Transportation Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony	Induction of Secretary Mineta to the Transportation Corps Hall of Fame
26 - July	Washington, D.C.	National Council on Disability Awards Reception	Award Recipient from the NCD for work on the American with Disabilities Act
<i>Secretary Norton</i>			
21 - July	Washington, D.C.	Consumer Group Meeting	DOI Role in Natural Gas Production
22 - July	Washington, D.C.	Natural Gas Roundtable of Washington	DOI Role in Natural Gas Production
23 - July	Washington, D.C.	Congressional Western Caucus	DOI Role in Natural Gas Production
27 - July	Park City, UT	Conference of Western Attorneys General	Water 2025

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Secretary Paige			
18-23 July	Colorado Springs, CO	Broad Dinner (23 - July)	Feedback from Broad Foundation Retreat
24 - July	Las Vegas, NV	Phi Delta Kappa	<i>No Child Left Behind</i>
Secretary Principi			
21 - July	Fort Monmouth, NJ	Fort Monmouth NJ Outpatient Center	Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony
23 - 24 July	Phoenix, AZ	Opening Session - Gold Star Wives (24 - July)	Veterans Issues
25 - July	Washington, D.C.	College Republican National Committee Conference	Veterans Issues
26 - July	Arlington, VA	Korean War Veterans (KWV) Annual Ceremony	Commemorate KWV Day
26 - July	Washington, D.C.	Korean War Veterans Event at MCI Center	National Salute to KWV
Secretary Ridge			
21 - July	Chautauqua, NY	Chautauqua Institute	DHS Update
22 - 23 July	San Francisco, CA	Commonwealth Club of California (23-July)	DHS Update With Emphasis on Science & Technology
24 - July	Seattle, WA	Boeing Employees	DHS Update With S&T Emphasis
25 - July	Hempstead, NY	Conference of Majors Leadership Meeting	DHS Update
Secretary Snow			
21 - July	Pittsburgh, PA	U.S. Steel Board Retirement Reception	Award Recipient
22 - July	New York, NY	Investors Luncheon Meeting	N/A
23 - July	Washington, D.C.	Inter-American Development Bank Board Meeting	Jobs & Growth
24 - July	Philadelphia, PA	Senator Dole Breakfast	Jobs & Growth

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<i>Secretary Thompson</i>			
22 - July	Washington, D.C.	White House Fellows	Job/Role/Experience as Secretary
24 - July	Rockville, MD	Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) Eisenberg Building Dedication	Remembrance of Eisenberg

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<i>Secretary Veneman</i>			
23 - July	Washington, D.C.	Radio Bridge to Farm Broadcasters	Current Issues

CABINET REPORT
For the Week of July 21, 2003

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

- ***USDA Cooperation for Technical Assessment Mission to Africa.***
On July 21, representatives from USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service will visit Eritrea to determine how USDA could provide technical assistance and training to help meet Eritrea's agricultural needs. The mission follows a bilateral meeting held at the USDA Ministerial Conference and Expo on Agricultural Science and Technology last month.
- ***USDA to Announce Humanitarian Initiative Involving Sale of Nonfat Dry Milk.***
USDA will soon announce a humanitarian initiative to sell nonfat dry milk owned by the Commodities Credit Corporation at a nominal cost to nonprofit, faith-based and community organizations.

Press Activity:

- ***National Public Radio on Food Assistance Programs.*** *National Public Radio* is reporting on how USDA contributes to child nutrition through its food assistance programs. The report is scheduled to air in August on NPR's "Marketplace" program, a nationally syndicated radio news magazine on business and economic issues.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

- ***Secretary Evans to Address Small Business Leaders on Free Trade Agreements.***
On June 23, Secretary Evans will address about 100 small business leaders who have come to Washington, D.C., to support your trade initiatives. The Secretary's speech will commence a "rally day" organized by the U.S. Chamber to press Congress for passage of the legislation to implement the Singapore and Chilean Free Trade Agreements. The engagement will allow the Secretary to reiterate and emphasize the importance of free trade to business leaders.
- ***Secretary Evans to Address Chamber of Commerce Executive Leadership Forum.***
On July 21, Secretary Evans will hold a video teleconference with approximately 125 senior Chamber of Commerce executives from across the country who are gathered in Naples, Florida.
- ***Upcoming Economic Indicator Releases from Commerce:***
State Personal Income: 1st quarter 2003 (June 23)
Quarterly Financial Report for Housing Vacancies: Second Quarter 2003 (June 24)
Advance Report on Durable Goods Manufacturers' Shipments and Orders: June 2003 (June 25)
New Residential Sales: June 2003 (June 25)

OFFICE OF NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY

- ***ONDCP Reauthorization.***

House consideration of HR 2086, reauthorizing ONDCP, is tentatively slated for the suspension calendar during the week of July 21.

Press Activity:

- ***Director Walters will Visit Colombia.***

Director Walters will travel to Colombia to celebrate the first anniversary of President Uribe's inauguration and the third anniversary of Plan Colombia on July 23 to 26. He will participate in a roundtable for reporters from U.S. media outlets posted in Colombia, a press conference, an open press visit to a reintegration center for child soldiers, and will appear on the Colombian news magazine program, *La Noche*.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

- ***DOE and Commerce to Release Plan for Climate Change Science Program.***

On July 24, Secretary Abraham and Secretary Evans will release a 10-Year Strategic Plan for the interagency U.S. Climate Change Science Program. Development of the Plan came at your direction to build on the interagency U.S. Global Change Research Program. The Program will accelerate research on the most important uncertainties in climate science, enhance climate observation systems, and improve information for climate-related issues.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

- ***EPA Prepares Draft Wet Weather Blending Guidance.***

EPA will soon issue in the *Federal Register* draft guidance for public comment that is designed to ensure that Clean Water Act permitting requirements for treatment plants at publicly owned treatment works are applied in a nationally-consistent manner. The draft guidance will be submitted to OMB for a short, informal review before publication.

Press Activity:

- ***The Washington Post on Energy Star.*** *The Washington Post* is preparing a story on EPA's operating plan and specifically how the operating plan relates to the Energy Star program and climate change.
- ***The Wall Street Journal on Mercury.*** *The Wall Street Journal* is working on a series of articles concerning mercury pollution. The Administration's plans for emissions reductions, especially the Clear Skies Initiative, was also of interest to the reporter.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

- ***Update on Monkeypox.***

The total number of Monkeypox cases reported by state health departments to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is 72. Thirty-seven of these cases have been laboratory-confirmed. No deaths have been reported from infection with Monkeypox. Numbers are based on preliminary reports and are continuously being updated.

- ***Update on Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS).***

As of July 16, the total number of SARS cases reported by the World Health Organization (WHO) is 8,437. In the United States, the cumulative number of suspected and probable SARS cases has increased to 433 with no deaths. As of July 15, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention removed the travel alert for Taiwan. As of July 14, WHO will no longer publish a daily table of the cumulative number of reported probable cases of SARS.

- ***CDC Releases Report on Potential Health Problems at Camp Lejeune Marine Base.***

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) released a progress report on July 16 on its research into potential health problems for children whose mothers were pregnant at the Camp Lejeune marine base in North Carolina from 1968 to 1985. At the time, there were contaminants in the camp's drinking water, which have since been cleaned up. Out of the 12,600 children born on the base during the time period, the research found 103 children with childhood cancers and birth defects. The survey alone does not prove a link between the camp's drinking water and the cases of childhood health problems. However, it does provide enough information to proceed with planning a study, which ATSDR will do.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

- ***SAFETY Act.***

DHS Science and Technology staff released the Support Anti-terrorism by Fostering Effective Technologies Act of 2002 (SAFETY Act) press release in conjunction with the Federal Register's notification for public comment. The SAFETY Act is designed to encourage the development and rapid deployment of life-saving anti-terrorism technologies by providing manufacturers or sellers with limited liability risks. The Department expects to begin accepting applications for SAFETY Act protections on September 1, 2003.

- ***National Infrastructure Advisory Council.***

On July 22, a meeting of the President and members of his *National Infrastructure Advisory Council* (NIAC) will be held in the Roosevelt Room. The NIAC advises the President on the security of information systems for critical infrastructure supporting other sectors of the economy, including banking and finance, transportation, energy, manufacturing, and emergency government services. This panel – which consists of over twenty chief executives from companies with key critical infrastructure relevance and their peers from state and local government and academia – most recently contributed recommendations that aided in the development of the *National Strategy to Secure Cyberspace*. This will be the Council's first meeting with you. Secretary Ridge and other DHS leadership will attend.

- ***Hurricane Claudette.***

Emergency Preparedness and Response (EP&R) continues to monitor the aftermath of Claudette and its impact on the 15 counties along the Texas coastline. Preliminary damage assessments are currently being made. Governor Rick Perry of Texas submitted a disaster declaration earlier today.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

- ***HUD Receives 600 Applications for Grants for Housing for the Elderly and Disabled.***

HUD has received a total of 600 applications for more than \$590 million in Fiscal Year 2003 funds for the development of Supportive Housing for the Elderly and Supportive Housing for Persons with Disabilities. Nonprofit sponsors are eligible to apply for the grants to finance the development of low-income rental housing under the Section 202 and Section 811 programs. Faith-based organizations have utilized these programs since their inception in 1959; they are HUD's largest programs in terms of faith-based participation. HUD has received 363 applications for \$473.8 million in Section 202 grant funds, and 237 applications for \$116.8 million in Section 811 funds.

- ***HUD Is Insuring Multifamily Properties at Record Levels.***

Through the first nine months of Fiscal Year 2003, the number of multifamily loans insured by the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) exceeded the record number of loans insured during the first nine months of FY 2002. As of June 30, FHA has issued \$5.4 billion in insurance commitments for 913 apartments or health care facilities comprising more than 126,000 apartment units or beds. Based on volume so far this year, it appears that HUD will break Fiscal Year 2002's record of \$7.2 billion in insurance commitments. Much of the activity has been in programs in which HUD has reduced mortgage insurance premiums and has streamlined through initiatives such as the Multifamily Accelerated Processing program, which provides guaranteed time frames for lenders and developers.

- ***HUD to Issue Proposed Rule on Revitalizing Areas Through HUD Home Sales.***

Within the next three weeks, HUD will send to Congress for review a proposed rule establishing regulations for the Asset Control Area (ACA) program. This program was created to expand homeownership opportunities in distressed areas by making HUD-held homes available for sale to units of general local government and nonprofit organizations. Eligible program participants may establish an ACA within a designated revitalization area and commit by contract to purchase all single-family homes in HUD's inventory available for sale in that area. This program has attracted the interest of several big city mayors, including Jim Hahn of Los Angeles.

Press Activity:

- ***Homeownership Rates To Be Announced.*** On July 24, the Census Bureau will release homeownership rates for the second quarter of 2003.
- ***New Home Sales To Be Announced.*** On July 25, the National Association of Realtors will release new home sales statistics for June.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

- ***Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund Grants.***
The Fish and Wildlife Service has announced the award of more than \$70 million in grants to 29 states to support conservation planning and acquisition of vital habitat for threatened and endangered fish and wildlife species. The grants will enable states, working in partnership with private landowners, conservation groups and other agencies and organizations, to initiate conservation planning efforts and to acquire and protect habitat to support the conservation and recovery of threatened and endangered species. Non-Federal partners are contributing at least 25 percent of the cost of each project.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

- ***Securing the Nation and Our Freedoms.***
On July 23, the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence will hold a hearing on the legal framework in which intelligence is gathered in the United States. Jim Baker of the Office of Intelligence Policy and Review will testify, along with an FBI witness.

Press Activity:

- ***Attorney General to Visit Alaska and Washington Anti-Terrorism Task Forces.***
From July 21 to 22, Attorney General John Ashcroft will travel to meet with U.S. Attorneys Timothy Burgess (AK) and John McKay (WA) and their local Anti-Terrorism Task Forces in Anchorage, AK, and Seattle, WA.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

- ***Secretary Chao Calls PBGC Board Meeting.***
On July 23, Secretary Chao will chair a meeting of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation Board of Directors, along with Secretaries Snow and Evans. Topics include the PBGC's investment policy and legislative efforts to strengthen the defined-benefit pension system.
- ***Striking Machinists and Crown Cork & Seal to Meet with Federal Mediators.***
On July 23, approximately 180 Crown Cork & Seal Co. employees on strike in Frederick County, VA are tentatively scheduled to meet with company management, Federal mediators and representatives from the International Association of Machinists, who represents the striking workers. The workers went on strike July 1; the most contentious issue is the union's request for increased workers' pensions to cover rising health insurance costs.
- ***Texas and Minnesota Requesting Funds From Federal Unemployment Account.***
The states of Texas and Minnesota are requesting authorization to borrow funds from the Federal Unemployment Account. Texas is requesting authorization to borrow \$150 million in August, \$240 million in September, and \$180 million in October. Minnesota is requesting

authorization to borrow \$55 million in August, \$60 million in September, and \$55 million in October.

- ***National Association of Government Employees Accused of Labor Reporting Violation.*** On July 25, the Department of Justice is expected to file a complaint alleging that the National Association of Government Employees violated the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act (LMRDA) in its September 19, 2002, election of union officers. Under the LMRDA, a national labor organization must afford “adequate safeguards to insure a fair election.” The complaint will allege that the union violated this provision by creating and immediately electing 30 new officer positions, leaving rank-and-file members without reasonable opportunity to seek or campaign for the positions.

Press Activity:

- ***Bureau of Labor Statistics:***
July 15: Wages and Employment: Fourth Quarter 2002
July 17: Usual Weekly Earnings of Wage and Salary Workers: Second Quarter 2003
- ***National Public Radio Interviews ODEP Assistant Secretary Grizzard.*** Office of Disability Policy Assistant Secretary Roy Grizzard’s interview on the Americans with Disabilities Act with National Public Radio reporter, Carol Martin will tentatively air on July 25, the day before the 13th Anniversary of the ADA signing.
- ***ODEP Assistant Secretary Grizzard Interviewed by New York Times.*** Roy Grizzard was interviewed by freelance reporter Nancy Cummings for an upcoming article on disabled businesspeople in the *The New York Times*.

OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

- ***Homeland Security Options Advance to Senior Review Committee.*** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Senior Review Committee will take place July 25. A second meeting is planned for this Fall. The purpose of the Committee is to review HR options and to adopt, modify or develop alternative HR options for consideration by Secretary Ridge and Director James.
- ***Director James to Address Federal Executive Boards Conference.*** OPM Director Kay Coles James will deliver the keynote address, Civil Service Today and Tomorrow, at the annual Federal Executive Board Conference (7/23). The conference brings together representatives from the 28 Federal Executive Boards across the Nation.

Press Activity:

- ***Interviews Regarding Two Years of Progress on the President’s Agenda.*** On July 15 and July 16, Director James hosted informal, off-the-record meetings with reporters to review the agency’s transformation over the past two years, including the agency becoming a significant contributor to President Bush’s government reform initiative and restructuring to better

perform that role. Reporters attending included Eric Yoder, *Washington Post*; Kim Oates, *WTOP Radio*; and Bridgette Blair, *Federal Times*.

- ***Conference Call on Political Bonuses.*** On July 15, OPM held a conference call to put political bonuses in perspective and faxed follow-up materials to reporters Steve Barr, *Washington Post*; Tanya Ballard, *Government Executive*; Kim Oates, *WTOP Radio*; and Bridgette Blair, *Federal Times*.
- ***Wall Street Journal on Federal Retirements.*** Reporter Daniel Nassau received figures on projected retirements from the federal workforce.
- ***Time Magazine on Outsourcing.*** Reporter Jyoti Thottam is working on a story on outsourcing with a specific focus on “off-shore” outsourcing.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

- ***Israeli PM Sharon Visit to Washington, D.C.***
Prime Minister Sharon will visit Washington, D.C. on July 29. He will meet with you to discuss implementation of the Road Map for Peace and other issues.
- ***Italian PM Berlusconi Visit to Crawford, TX.***
PM Berlusconi will visit Crawford on July 20 to 21. Although he currently holds the rotating presidency of the EU, Berlusconi is visiting in a national capacity to discuss bilateral issues. Ambassador Sembler and National Security Advisor Rice also will attend the meeting.
- ***WTO General Council Quarterly Meeting in Geneva.***
This meeting will take place on July 24 to 25. Agenda issues include access to life-saving medications for poor countries and agricultural liberalization. The U.S. delegation will continue to press the EU to translate its recently announced changes to the Common Agricultural Policy into aggressive WTO proposals.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

- ***U.S. and Russian Federation to Hold Maritime Talks.***
A delegate from DOT’s Maritime Administration (MARAD) will travel to Moscow from July 22 to 24 for talks with the State Maritime Administration of the Russian Federation. The consultations are intended to further maritime cooperation between the two countries as called for in a June 21 bilateral maritime agreement. Among the issues to be discussed are maritime cargo security, safety, and student/faculty exchanges between our respective maritime academies.
- ***Secretary Mineta to be Inducted into the U.S. Army’s Transportation Hall of Fame.***
On July 26, Secretary Mineta will travel to Ft. Eustis, Virginia to be inducted into the U.S. Army’s Transportation Hall of Fame. Secretary Mineta, who received his basic training at Ft. Eustis upon entering the U.S. Army, originally trained as a Transportation Officer before becoming an Army Intelligence Officer in Japan and Korea during the Korean War.

Press Activity:

- ***Multiple Queries on Aviation Repair Station Audit.*** *USA Today, Reuters and The Charlotte Observer* called regarding the aviation repair station audit.
- ***Washington Post on Passengers Rights During Flights.*** *The Washington Post* was provided with information on passengers' rights during flight delays.
- ***Wall Street Journal on Foreign Ownership of U.S. Airlines.*** *The Wall Street Journal* was provided information on the Administration's proposal to allow increased foreign ownership of U.S. airlines.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

- ***Child Tax Credit Update.***
On July 25, the first eight million checks of the projected 26.3 million checks scheduled to be issued under the child tax credit program will be dated and mailed. Approximately the same number of checks will be mailed August 1 and 8. The check legend reads "Tax Relief for America's Families."
- ***Secretary Snow Travels to New York.***
On July 22, Secretary Snow will travel to New York to meet with business, community, and financial leaders. Among other events, Secretary Snow will meet with economists at the New York Federal Reserve.
- ***Upcoming Economic Indicator Releases from Treasury:***
Leading Indicators: June (July 21)
Monthly Treasury Statement: June (July 21)
Durable Goods Orders: June (July 25)
New Home Sales: June (July 25)