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HEADLINE: DEBATE ON AMNESTY LAW INTENSIFIES

Supreme Court President Repeats Call For Legislation To Interpret
Law

KEYWORDS: HUMAN RIGHTS; POLITICS

SOURCE: LA TERCERA

SOURCE: EL MERCURIO

TEXT: Supreme Court President Roberto Davila yesterday
repeated his call for Congress to pass legislation interpreting the
scope of the 1978 Amnesty Law.

Speaking to a congressional committee reviewing Chile's new
criminal law code, the Supreme Court president said new
legislation would help the courts interpret the law in a more
consistent fashion.

This is the second time in the past two weeks that Davila has
stated the case for legislation to help interpret the Amnesty Law's
scope. It follows statements earlier this week by Senate leaders
suggesting Congress may be ready to consider taking another look
at the controversial Amnesty Law, but only as long as the change
is limited to helping determine the whereabouts of the Chileans

who disappeared during the past military regime.

The law, decreed in 1978 by the military government of Augusto Pinochet, shields those responsible for human rights violations between 1973 and 1978 from punishment and, as currently interpreted by some judges, denies courts the power to investigate the cases.

Socialist Party (PS) Senator Ricardo Nuñez said Davila's comments, when taken together with the recent approval of a study by the Senate Human Rights Committee on unresolved cases of disappeared individuals and the changeover in the Army high command last March, are developments indicating a favorable change of climate in Chile.

The Senate Committee, presided by designated senator Enrique Silva Cimma (Radical Party), has already held hearings with relatives of the disappeared and Nuñez said it is likely that the Committee will also call on leaders of the Armed Forces to give their views on the matter.

But Senator Hernan Larrain, from the rightist Independent Democratic Union (UDI), said if the PS's "spirit is to put an end to the Amnesty Law, they won't get the votes, but if it is to help find the disappeared, there is willingness from our party."

Larrain said UDI supports proposals to help determine the whereabouts of the disappeared but strongly opposes re-opening judicial cases in which the Amnesty Law has already been applied.

Designated Senator Enrique Zurita (former Supreme Court judge) said he does not consider a new interpretation of the Amnesty Law to be relevant to the process of clarifying cases of

the disappeared and predicted the initiative would be quickly defeated. In any case, he said, an interpretive law would be meaningless since it would be not be retroactive. A legal principle designed to protect the rights of those convicted of crimes shields them from any subsequent modifications of the law, he explained.

Socialist Deputy Isabel Allende accepts this non-retroactive principle, but said judicial investigations conducted outside Chile, into human rights violations committed in Chile, should be respected, saying "if in our country it has not been possible, at least let it be done elsewhere."

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HEADLINE: CURRENT EVENTS BRIEFS

KEYWORDS: POLITICS; ECONOMY; INTERNATIONAL; ENVIRONMENT

SOURCE: EL MERCURIO

SOURCE: LA TERCERA

TEXT: Today's other headline stories in brief:

-- CONTRERAS AND ESPINOZA TO TESTIFY IN PRATS CASE.

The second bench of the Supreme Court ruled yesterday that former DINA secret police directors (ret.) General Manuel Contreras and Brigadier Pedro Espinoza must give testimony to the Argentine court investigating the 1974 car bomb homicide of Gen. Carlos Prats and his wife Sofia Cuthbert in Buenos Aires.

The Court's ruling came in response to letters rogatory sent to Chile's judicial system by Argentine judge Maria Servini de Cubria.

Both Contreras and Espinoza are serving time in a Chilean prison for their conviction as intellectual authors of the 1976 car

bomb slaying in Washington D.C. of Chilean diplomat Orlando Letelier and his secretary, U.S. citizen Ronnie Moffit.

Espinoza has indicated his willingness to travel to Argentina to testify in the case, while Contreras has said he would prefer not traveling to Argentina because of safety considerations.

Meanwhile, the two daughters of the slain former Army commander-in-chief said in Buenos Aires they are working to have former military junta leader General Augusto Pinochet also cited before the Argentine court.

-- TEACHERS BREAK OFF CONTRACT TALKS. A spokesman for the Chilean teacher's union announced earlier this week that talks have been broken off between teachers and government over contract re-negotiation. Jorge Pavez, the president of the Teacher's Association, says that his union has called a halt to the meeting because the government has not been negotiating in good faith. The government announced previously that it is unwilling to consider a new contract before the Teacher's Union holds elections in October.

According to Pavez, this would mean the Finance Ministry will already have submitted its budget for the upcoming fiscal year, and limiting the scope of any proposals made by the teachers.

Negotiations have been ongoing for three months with lower level officials, but Pavez accused the government of negotiating in bad faith and being unwilling to consider real solutions. For that reason, he asks that talks be resumed directly with the Minister of Education, with an eye toward reaching an agreement that will

satisfy the teacher's requests. Otherwise, he said, the teacher's union will consider demonstration alternatives.

Aside from a pay hike, teachers seek education reform to limit to 30 the number of students in each class.

The government earlier promised the teachers a raise this upcoming February, but with budget cuts recently announced in response to the Asian economic crisis, teacher's representatives are afraid that the government will go back on the deal.

-- CHILEAN SATELLITE WILL TRY AGAIN. Chile will try again to launch its "Fasat-Bravo" satellite on July 9th, after its first launch effort June 23rd failed because of due to technical problems with the Ukrainian space shuttle carrying the satellite.

Air Force Chief General Florencio Doble said that the mission's success does not depend on the satellite but on the mother ship.

Chile's first attempt in 1995 at putting a satellite in space, the "Fasat Alfa", also ended in failure.

-- UNEMPLOYED OCCUPY LOTA TOWN HALL. Two hundred former miners at the Lota coal mine yesterday occupied the Lota municipal building, alleging the government broke its promise to provide them with steady employment

Victor Mendoza, the president of the ex-miners' union, said the miners wouldn't surrender the municipality until they negotiate a comprehensive solution with the government and are able to return to work.

The government, in turn, said it would not to bow to pressure, and that there will be no work upcoming because the

projects in which the miners were working are finished.

Lota was the scene of a fierce controversy last year when the Frei administration decided to close the state-owned coal mine located there.

Mendoza said that according to the miners' agreement with the government they were guaranteed 24 months of public work, and to this date they have only received 8 months. The leader said he wants to remind the government of President Frei's promise "that he wouldn't abandon them."

Mendoza added that no businesses have moved into the industrial park the government promised it would construct to provide steady employment and growth for Lota.

-- NEW POLLUTION MONITORING SYSTEM TO BEGIN.

Regional environmental authorities said the city's new pollution forecasting system is slated to begin operation tomorrow.

The new system measures precipitate levels as well as climatic conditions to predict pollution levels in advance. When functioning, the system will allow environmental authorities to announce alert, pre-emergency and emergency situations before instead of after the fact.

In related news, the director of one of the area's two main environmental authorities, the Metropolitan Environmental Health Service (Sesma), announced yesterday that all businesses to be affected by future shut-downs related to environmental conditions will be notified by Friday.

Last week businesses complained they had not been notified about the scope of environment-related shut-downs, while

government officials themselves could not agree on the which businesses were to be shut down under the terms of the new regulations.

-- ANTARCTIC SPECIES AFFECTED BY EL NINO. Marine biologist Anelio Aguayo, recently returned from a voyage to the Antarctica aboard the Chilean icebreaker Viel, said that he believes that aquatic mammal species near the southernmost continent have been affected by the El Nino phenomena, which has caused Antarctic temperatures to be significantly higher than normal.

Aguayo, who made similar voyages in 1994 and 1996, said Tuesday it appears that whales and killer whales have moved into ice flows farther south than their normal habitat in response to El Nino.

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HEADLINE: CAMPO DEL HIELO SUR TREATY STILL IN THE AIR

Is There A Solution To The Last Remaining Border Dispute Between Chile And Argentina?

KEYWORDS: INTERNATIONAL; POLITICS

SOURCE: EL MERCURIO

TEXT: (Ed. note: Foreign Relations Minister Jose Miguel Insulza met Tuesday afternoon with congressional committees to discuss the confusing events surrounding the Campo de Hielo Sur Treaty - which deals with the last remaining territorial dispute between Chile and Argentina. The treaty was negotiated in 1991 and signed by the President Patricio Aylwin (Chile) and President Carlos Menem (Argentina), but has yet to be ratified by

legislatures in either country. In recent weeks reports have surfaced suggesting the Argentines want to re-negotiate the treaty, a position Insulza rejected yesterday.

The following editorial about this thorny situation appeared in El Mercurio this past weekend).

The Campo de Hielo Sur situation becomes more confusing every day. Without having specifically rejected the treaty, the Argentine parliament has begun what appears to be the first steps toward making a new proposal.

The 1991 treaty was part of a package negotiated between ex President Aylwin and President Menem of Argentina to resolve all of the 24 territorial disputes between the two countries. Through seven years the treaty has not been ratified in either parliament, and the hold-up has delayed other agreements, including the recently signed mining treaty for border areas.

Following the parliamentary elections in Argentina, the victorious opposition denounced the treaty. The foreign ministries of each country, however, have not given up on its ratification. Recent events have clouded this basic situation.

What is now concrete is that three members of the Argentine parliament, one from each party, as well as members of the Argentine Chamber of Deputies Foreign Relations Commission have proposed the outline of a new proposal. They have also asked that the 1991 treaty be withdrawn.

In response, the Argentine Foreign Ministry stated it will continue to respect the previous treaty negotiations, and is unwilling to reopen negotiations if their Chilean counterparts do

not agree to the outline of a new proposal as described by the Deputies.

In response, our foreign minister has said that he will only consider a formal Argentine proposal and one that is acceptable to both the executive and legislature of each country.

What Argentina wants is the watershed of the Santa Cruz river as it flows from Perito Moreno glacier. This is all of the water flowing from the Cordillera toward the Atlantic Ocean. For this, they will give Chile access to Mount Fitz Roy and extend the territory of our Pacific fjords

These adjustments do not appear to go against our national interest and there seems to be a possibility that they could have the support necessary to get both executive and legislative approval.

Whether this proposal is accepted or not, it is important to consider the new proposal with an eye toward the long term. It is the goal of each country to protect its national interest, as well as to safe-guard this remote region. Any proposal must keep these two central doctrines at heart if it is going to succeed either politically or in terms environmental protection.

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HEADLINE: ABOUT THE DEA PETITION TO OPERATE IN CHILE

Territorial And Judicial Sovereignty May Be At Stake

KEYWORD: SOCIAL ISSUES

SOURCE: LA EPOCA

TEXT: (Ed. note: Drug trafficking and related money laundering operations are every day more in the news in Chile. Although

Chile does not produce narcotics, it does serve as a passageway to consumer countries in North. As a result, the USA's Drug Enforcement Agency, DEA, has recently petitioned Chile for permission to open up a office in Chile's northern region city of Iquique. The following op-ed piece, published June 30th, gives a Chilean perspective on the issue).

Chile's State Defense Council (CDE) has accused the USA's Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) of tipping off Chilean shipping businessman Manuel Losada that Carabineros police were planning to arrest him in the "Operacion Oceano" drug bust.

The warning was not to protect Losada, but to provoke him to leave the country. This way he could be arrested, taken to the United States if necessary, and prosecuted for the charges he faces.

The Judicial system should analyze the CDE %s accusation and determine whether appointing a special judge to the case is convenient or not. This practice is defined in Article 54 of the Organic Code and allows a Supreme Court judge to investigate a case that affects relations between Chile and another country. Given this leeway, the Supreme Court has appointed judges for other cases such as the murders of Orlando Letelier and Carmelo Soria.

No matter what happens to the CDE's accusation in our judicial system, the latest occurrences have again opened up the debate as to whether Chile should allow the DEA to open up an office in the northern city of Iquique. Washington wishes to "monitor" the financial movements and drug routes formed by the

Chile-Bolivia-Peru triangle from an office in Region I.

The DEA's petition has not been officially answered by President Frei's administration, although given the good relations between La Moneda and the White House, chances are the Chilean government will allow the DEA to open the office. The only opponents to the idea are some right opposition party leaders who express a strange and symptomatic "anti-imperialism" feeling.

Still, Chile is now officially re-evaluating the DEA office option pending a judicial resolution on the CDE's accusation. At the same time, government authorities have stated that the global collaboration mechanism used between Chile and the US in drugtrafficking and money laundering issues is not in crisis.

At any rate, the installation of a DEA office in the north brings up territorial and judicial sovereignty issues which should be carefully studied. It is also fundamental that the US office's mandate be clearly defined and regulated.

Latin America's experience with the DEA has been contradictory. On one hand, it has given important logistical support for national efforts to combat drugtrafficking. On the other hand, it's actions have frequently bordered close to intervention in the internal affairs of our nations. This history makes safeguards all the more necessary, especially since Chile has been relatively impermeable to drugtrafficking.

Almost simultaneous to "Operacion Oceano" case, the "Operacion Casablanca" case - involving Mexican bankers accused of money laundering - was taking place in the US.

Washington's mistake was to not to inform Mexico of the

action, resulting in the anger of President Ernesto Zedillo's administration. President Clinton himself had to intervene to alleviate the tension.

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HEADLINE: MINING NEWS ROUND UP

KEYWORDS: MINING

SOURCE: EL MERCURIO

SOURCE: EL DIARIO

TEXT: Today's mining news, as it appears in the national media:

-- SOQUIMICH EYES ENTRY INTO COPPER MINING BUSINESS.

Soquimich, one of Chile's most important producers of chemicals and fertilizers, is advancing its effort to break into the copper production business, Soquimich CEO Patricio Contesse said yesterday.

Contesse said Soquimich has already formed a copper mining company, SQM Metals, which is currently exploring for suitable sites in Region II with third parties.

The company already owns the Antucoya copper mine site, which will produce an estimated 60,000 mtpy of fine copper on an investment of US\$250 - US\$300 million. Bids for the joint development of Antucoya are expected to be taken late this year, Contesse said.

-- LUKSIC GROUP REDUCES COPPER PRODUCTION. The Luksic Group's Antofagasta Holding company said yesterday it plans to reduce its copper production in 1998 to 70,000 mt, compared to the 87,000 mt produced in 1997.

The reduction is explained partly by the closing down of the

company's Chacay mine, and partly by the decision to lower production at the Michilla mine because of low copper prices, company executive Cristopher Jowett told Reuters.

The executive added that low copper prices have made it very difficult to secure US\$200 million in financing to develop the Tesoro copper mine in Region II.

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HEADLINE: BUSINESS BRIEFS

KEYWORDS: ECONOMY; INTERNATIONAL; NAFTA

SOURCE: EL MERCURIO

SOURCE: EL DIARIO

TEXT: Today's top business stories:

-- PERU TRADE AGREEMENT COMES INTO EFFECT. The trade agreement signed on June 22 between Chile and Peru takes effect today, a deal that took four years to negotiate. On Tuesday the due protocol carried out and the agreement was officially registered with the Latin American Integration Association (Aladi).

The agreement means that 2,600 Chilean products, 35 percent of all exports to Peru, will cease to pay duties. This figure is expected to rise to 50 percent within the first five years, with agricultural produce, copper and cellulose among Chilean exports thought to be most favored. Complete free trade is expected to achieved within 18 years.

However the agreement has been criticized by businessmen from both countries. In Chile, the textile industry has been one of the agreement's staunchest critics, fearing cheaper Peruvian

imports will harm the domestic industry.

According to figures from the Central Bank trade last year between the two nations totaled US\$461.4 million, of which Chilean exports accounted for US\$342.9 million.

-- DOLLAR MOVES ABOVE 470 PESO MARK. The dollar rose three points on Tuesday closing at 472.69 pesos to the dollar, its highest value since February. The rise follows last Friday's decision by the Central bank to allow the U.S. currency to fluctuate between 456 and 482 pesos. Analysts are predicting the dollar could well reach the top of this band by the end of 1998, jeopardizing the Central Bank's inflation target of 4.5 percent.

-- INDUSTRIAL GAS NETWORK 80% COMPLETE. Work on Metrogas' new industrial gas network is 70 to 80 percent complete, according to company General Manager Eduardo Morande. So far this year the company has spent US\$100 million and expects to invest a similar amount next year.

Currently Metrogas also connects 180,000 residents in the municipalities of La Florida, Puente Alto and Penanolen to its network. The next stage for the company will be to connect residents in Santiago's eastern municipalities of La Reina, Las Condes and Vitacura.

Morande said plans are also in the pipeline to lend the network to telecommunications companies. So far this option has attracted the interest of Metrocom, Metrogas' cable television subsidiary. Morande said Metrocom want to use the gas pipeline network to extend their own fiber optic network. A decision on the matter is expected before the end of the year.

-- CONTINENTAL INVESTING IN CHILE. Continental Airlines has invested over US\$5 million to promote its direct flight service New York-Santiago this year, Sales and Distribution Vice President Bonnie Reitz said Tuesday. Continental launched its Santiago-New York flight service in May, the only service that flies non stop between the two cities.

The money, Reitz said, has been spent on promotional work, opening offices and establishing contacts with travel agencies in Chile and in the U.S. In Chile, Continental is working in conjunction with the trade promoting agency ProChile who, Reitz said, is providing the company with information concerning the Chilean flight market.

The company has already captured 30 percent of the New York- Santiago market and 70 percent of the returning leg of the route.

-- STUDY TO CAST NETS BEYOND CHILEAN WATERS. The Institute for Fisheries Promotion (IFOP) will carry out a study into the size and composition of jack mackerel schools outside of Chilean water. Since April the Fisheries Ministry has imposed a prohibition on harvesting the species due to a decline caused by El Nino.

The study will investigate schools between 200 and 400 miles from the Chilean coastline. Scientists say El Nino causes warm coastal currents, which cause mature jack mackerel to seek cooler waters further out to sea.

The study will be carried out using 74 boats, many belonging to fishing companies. The IFOP aims to catch about

100,000 tons of jack mackerel for its study. In addition, some commercial fishing, amounting to 40,000 tons will be permitted out of the port of San Antonio (Region V). Last month only vessels out of Talcahuano (Region VIII) were allowed to fish jack mackerel.

-- ON LINE ANNOUNCE US\$150 MILLION. Constructors On Line says it will invest US\$150 million in the Nueva Las Condes Mega-project, General Manager Fernando Prats announced Tuesday. The project involves the construction of ten to twelve high rise buildings in the Las Condes municipality.

The buildings will be designed by Inmobiliario San Luis, who will act as intermediaries between On Line and prospective clients. The contracts negotiated by San Luis, Prats said, will allow clients who rent to buy their offices by converting rental payments into mortgage payments. Prats said the size of the new constructions will allow companies to locate many of their operations in the same building.

Prats said the Nueva Las Condes project involves the building of a hotel, a conference center, several 45-story office blocks as well as a cinema complex and restaurants. So far cost for the completion of the whole project is estimated at US\$800 million.

Prats said the Hilton Hotel chain has already acquired the preferential right to build. The hotel will cost about US\$70 million and when complete will rank as one of the largest in Chile, with 350 rooms.

-- 'WINES OF CHILE' TOUR ASIA. The Wines of Chile

International promotion agency and 30 Chilean wineries toured the Asian continent during the end of June to give a higher profile to wine exports. Stopovers were made at Shanghai, Beijing, Tokyo, Bangkok, Taipei and Hong Kong, where 39 Chilean winemakers participated in Hong Kong's Vinexpo.

Promotion agency Wines of Chile International opened in January, 1998 and unites the promotion efforts of Chile's two most important industry groups: the Wine Export and Bottlers Association and Chilevid.

The agency, together with ProChile, is in charge of marketing Chilean wines around the world and investigating new markets. Located in Santiago, Wines of Chile works with the help of the London based office that has been functioning since 1993.

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WORSENING CONFLICT

+ Ethnic-Albanian separatists in the Serbian province of KOSOVO briefly took control of Orahovac, a town of 20,000 people and its biggest prize since violence broke out earlier this year. After two days of fighting the Serbs said they had driven the separatists out. Chances of an early breakthrough faded.

+ Anatoly Chubais, RUSSIA's chief loan negotiator, promised a sharp rise in tax receipts, as the IMF handed out the first \$4.8 billion of the Fund's rescue package of \$11.2 billion. But \$800m was held back because of parliament's failure to enact all the required reforms; its speaker denounced the IMF plan.

+ CHECHNYA's president, Aslan Maskhadov, narrowly escaped an assassination attempt. A car bomb went off near his motorcade, as tension mounted following a crackdown on Islamists.

+ FRANCE's Socialist-led government unveiled a plan for next year's budget which seeks to create jobs and cut the public-sector deficit while closing tax loopholes that help the rich. Public spending, in real terms, will creep up.

+ A leading French cycling team, Festina, was banned from the TOUR DE FRANCE after prohibited drugs were found in a team car.

+ At least 11 miners died in an accident in southern AUSTRIA.

GETTING WARMER

+ The chief justice of the United States Supreme Court ruled that Bill Clinton's secret-service guards must tell Kenneth Starr's inquiry everything they know about the president's dealings with MONICA LEWINSKY.

+ A federal judge in North Carolina said the Environmental Protection Agency was wrong to claim that EXHALED TOBACCO SMOKE can give cancer to others who inhale it.

+ A fire on a monster ten-deck cruise ship called ECSTASY sailing off Miami put 60 passengers in need of medical treatment; the other 2,500 were unhurt.

+ One of the HOTTEST SUMMERS in the American south-west since the 1930s has killed more than 100 people in the past two months and brought pleas for Texas and Oklahoma to be declared agricultural disaster areas.

+ Negotiations between the United States and PANAMA about a new anti-drugs centre there broke down. The centre would enable American troops to stay on after the canal is handed over at the end of 1999.

+ ARGENTINA's President Carlos Menem, who last week firmly backed the campaign for a constitutional change (or re-interpretation) to let him run for a third term in 1999, changed his mind and declared he would stand down when his present term ends.

+ Development of the potentially huge Camisea gas field in PERU, its largest project ever and big hope for its now stagnant economy, was put on hold: the government and the Shell-Mobil consortium could not agree on terms.

+ Mexico's and Venezuela's governments, both dependent on OIL, hit political trouble in their search for other revenues. But Brazil's state-owned ex-monopolist Petrobras signed its first domestic joint-venture agreement, with Shell: the two will invest \$6 billion in an offshore field.

+ DEMOCRACY?

+ General Abubakar, NIGERIA's military ruler, announced that the country would return to civilian rule on May 29th 1999. An internationally monitored election will be held in the first quarter of next year and Nigerians will be free to form and join political parties of their choice. Nigeria's political opposition remained sceptical.

+ Senior Israeli and Palestinian officials met to talk about American proposals for ending the deadlock in the PEACE PROCESS. Since the Palestinians have accepted these, and the Israelis want them altered, they did not agree.

+ A distinguished UN team, led by Mario Soares, a former Portuguese president, went on a two-week fact-finding visit to ALGERIA. The

mission has been promised access to legal political parties and survivors of massacres but human-rights groups question how free it will really be.

+ Gholam-Hossein Karbaschi, a popular mayor of Tehran and the president's ally, was sentenced by an IRANIAN COURT to five years in prison and banned for 20 years from holding public office.

+ A UN conference in Rome attended by 160 countries agreed a treaty to set up a permanent INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT to try individuals accused of war crimes, genocide and crimes against humanity. The United States, which does not want the court to have jurisdiction over American soldiers, tried to block the treaty by forcing a vote. This backed the court by 120 votes to seven.

+ Gro Harlem Brundtland, the new head of the WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION, was given \$2.5m by the Rockefeller Foundation to help her recruit new staff.

A FATAL TSUNAMI

+ About 3,000 people died when a tidal wave, set off by an offshore

earthquake, struck the north-western coast of PAPUA NEW GUINEA.

+ President Jiang Zemin said the CHINESE ARMY must end its commercial activities. The army and the police run thousands of businesses.

+ America's Congress granted CHINA most-favoured-nation status for another year.

+ INDONESIA's ruling Golkar Party removed seven relatives of former President Suharto from the People's Consultative Assembly, a leading decision-making body.

+ Afghanistan's TALIBAN government closed the offices of many aid agencies in the capital, Kabul.

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*** Clinton's lawyer in talks with Starr on grand jury

President Clinton's lawyers are negotiating with independent counsel Kenneth Starr to make sure the grand jury probing the Monica Lewinsky case gets the information it needs, White House spokesman Mike McCurry said Friday. McCurry, at a briefing, refused to answer specific questions about whether Clinton would be subpoenaed to testify before the closed-door panel investigating alleged White House sex and cover-up. Starr is investigating allegations that

Clinton and

Lewinsky, a former White House intern, had a sexual affair and

then illegally tried to cover it up. For part 2, see

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*** Shots fired at U.S. capitol; 2 police injured

Shots were fired at the Capitol building in Washington Friday and two

Capitol police officers were injured, police said. The Capitol

building was sealed-off by police shortly after 3:30 p.m. ET. Initial

Cable News Network reports reported four people were wounded, two

seriously. The gunman was reported to have been apprehended and among

the wounded. The other wounded person was reported by CNN to be a

"civilian." (Reuters/CNN)

*** Heat wave causes water crisis in Fort Worth, Texas

A lethal heat wave roasting the U.S. South caused a water crisis in

the sweltering city of Fort Worth Friday, forcing hospital officials

to rush in electric fans, water and ice to keep patients cool. A

water main ruptured late Thursday night, flooding a key pumping

station and cutting off water to the city center and its hospital

district for more than nine hours. City officials said the pipe broke

under the pressure of abnormal demand due to the heat wave. They

ordered water rationing across the city and its suburbs at least

until Monday. President Bill Clinton on Thursday ordered the release

of \$100 million in emergency federal funds to 11 Southern and Western

states to help pay for air conditioners, electric fans and utility

bills. See

<http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555228172-9b8>

*** GM, UAW arbitration hearings move to Flint

Arbitration hearings between General Motors Corp. and the United Auto Workers moved to union turf Friday as the automaker's top executives prepared to discuss a variety of possible restructuring and cost-saving measures. After two days of hearings on the legality of crippling parts plant strikes at a Detroit hotel just a few blocks from GM headquarters, testimony resumed Friday at a Holiday Inn in Flint, Mich., near GM's strikebound Flint Metal Center and Delphi East parts plant. The hearings before independent umpire Thomas Roberts have been closed to the media. See

<http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555226410-dfd>

*** Japan's Obuchi set to be prime minister

Foreign Minister Keizo Obuchi - "Mr. Ordinary Man" - was chosen by Japan's ruling party Friday to be prime minister at a time of economic malaise that has brought global demands for swift action. Obuchi, 61, the LDP's establishment candidate, comfortably beat back challenges from veteran politician Seiroku Kajiyama, 72, the favourite of the financial markets, and Health Minister Junichiro Koizumi, 56, the choice of young party reformers. Dubbed by party insiders as "bonjin" or "ordinary man" because of his bland image,

Obuchi takes over one of the toughest jobs in politics - dragging the world's second-largest economy out of its worst recession since World War II. See

<http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555223749-3e2>

*** U.S. tells 7 Indian scientists to leave

The U.S. government has told seven Indian scientists to quit the country by the end of August under sanctions imposed in response to India's nuclear tests in May, a government research center said Friday. The scientists have been working at the National Institute of Standards and Technology in Gaithersburg, Md., on two semiconductor manufacturing projects and a ceramics processing project, said NIST spokesman Michael Newman. The State Department has blacklisted these three projects and has put on hold four projects NIST is running in conjunction with the Indian National Physical Laboratory. See <http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555228444-dfe>

The U.S. Political Scene

*** House backs Republican health reform bill

The House Friday narrowly approved a Republican plan to protect patient rights under managed care, after defeating a rival Democratic plan by five votes. The White House has threatened to veto the House

Republican bill unless bipartisan changes are incorporated. The vote was 216-210, with 12 Republicans voting against their party's bill and three Democrats voting for it. House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., said the bill will improve access to emergency care, give patients' greater ability to appeal health plan decisions denying them treatment, and give small businesses and their employees new options for buying health insurance. For part 2, see <http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555228465-847>

*** Senate approved \$47 bln transportation bill

The Senate overwhelmingly passed a \$47 billion bill Friday to fund next fiscal year's transportation programs after Republicans backed off from a contentious labor and wage provision for federal projects. Avoiding a likely White House veto, Republicans modified a measure that would have overturned Transportation Secretary Rodney Slater's memorandum encouraging use of union wages and terms on labor agreements for construction projects. Republican backers said the measure was meant to ensure that the labor agreements do not discriminate against non-union workers. See <http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555226954-44e>

*** Clinton's Internet guru sees Web reform deal soon

U.S. President Bill Clinton's Internet adviser said Friday industry leaders and policy makers were close to a deal on a U.S. plan to reform the network and make it more competitive. Ira Magaziner said

the Internet community was close to a consensus over how the U.S. government should phase out its management of the vast global network. "We're pretty optimistic right now that things are moving along well," Magaziner told a news conference on the sidelines of the annual global conference of the Internet Society. See <http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555227354-359>

*** Vote recount ordered in Ga. Republican primary

A Republican once heavily favored to win his party's nomination for governor of Georgia was granted a recount Friday that could force a runoff against the millionaire head of a temporary worker company. Former attorney general Mike Bowers, who carried 40% of the vote in Tuesday's primary, finished second to Guy Millner, founder of Norrell Co., who had just over 50% of the vote. Under Georgia law, a candidate must have at least 50% of the vote to avoid a primary runoff. See <http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555227758-0c4>

U.S. Business and Financial News

*** Enron bids for Wessex Water in \$2.2 bln deal

Enron announced an agreed 630 pence per share cash bid for Wessex Water Plc valuing the UK water company at 1.36 billion pounds

(US\$2.23 billion). Enron said a new company had been formed to pursue opportunities in the global water business. "The development, ownership and operation of water infrastructure is a logical extension of Enron's expertise developed in the worldwide energy business," Enron Chairman and CEO Kenneth Lay said. "We think it can become as big as our gas and electricity businesses are today very quickly," he added. "The objective is to build the world's leading water company," Rebecca Mark, vice chairman of Enron and chairman of Enron Intl., said. (Reuters)

*** Wall Street bounces back

Wall Street rallied, and U.S. stocks turned higher Friday as investors digested a string of mixed earnings reports. Shortly before 2:10 p.m. ET, the Dow Jones Industrial Average was up 44 points at 8,977. Volume on the New York Stock Exchange reached 505 million shares, with declines leading advances 1,739 to 1,109. The Nasdaq Composite slipped 5 to 1,929 and the S&P 500 index rose 3 to 1,143. The benchmark 30-year Treasury bond fell 6/32 of a point in price, putting the yield at 5.66%. (CNNfn)

*** Republic says to be bought for \$420 mln

Republic Eng Steels agreed to be acquired by two investment funds for \$7.25 per share, or \$420 million in cash, including assumed debt.

Peter Peterson and Stephen Schwarzman's Blackstone Capital Partners II Merchant Banking Fund LP and Robert McKeon's Veritas Capital

Partners LP expect to merge Republic with their Bar Technologies Inc. steel partnership. Veritas and Blackstone have been partners in Bar Technologies since 1996. Bar Technologies produces and markets hot rolled engineered and cold finished steel bar products. See <http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555224682-305>

*** GM updates on operations affected by work stoppages

As of Friday, July 24, 1998, approximately 192,900 General Motors North American Operations and Delphi Automotive Systems employees have been affected by the UAW work stoppages in Flint, Mich. Additional plant-by-plant specifics on Powertrain and Delphi employment changes were announced. Also, GM expects that production will resume on Monday at its truck plant in Silao, Mexico, which produces the Chevrolet and GMC Suburban and Chevrolet Tahoe full-size sport utility vehicles, and at the Bowling Green, Ky. assembly plant, which produces the Chevrolet Corvette. The number of strike-affected assembly plants remains at 27. The Ramos Arizpe, Mexico, small car assembly plant and Saturn Corp. in Spring Hill, Tenn. are up and operating. See <http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555226249-403>

World Front Page Stories

*** Israelis, Palestinians to continue talks next week

Israeli and Palestinian officials will hold more meetings next week on ways to revive stalled Middle East peace moves, Palestinian President Yasser Arafat said Friday. But chief Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat played down the significance of the meetings, saying they would not constitute negotiations on the handover of more West Bank land to the Palestinians. Direct last-ditch talks were launched Sunday by Israeli Defense Minister Yitzhak Mordechai and Arafat's deputy Mahmoud Abbas, also known as Abu Mazen, but Palestinians said they had collapsed after three sessions and refused to hold more. See <http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555226048-4cb>

*** Sniffer dogs seek PNG tsunami survivors

U.S. sniffer dogs moved in on Friday to search for survivors of Papua New Guinea's tsunami disaster in swamps behind Sissano lagoon, now sealed off as a watery graveyard for hundreds. Relief officials hoped the dogs might find survivors, possibly children, too scared or unable because of injuries to come out from where they were driven when three tsunamis crashed ashore last Friday. The gruesome task of retrieving bodies from Sissano lagoon was called off on Thursday with hundreds of bloated, disintegrating corpses left to decompose in the water. Australian government officials said on Friday that the official death toll stood at 1,500. Another 2,000 to 3,000 people are still missing. See

<http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555222164-afd>

*** Related story: Tsunami adds to PNG's political, economic woes.

See <http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555221684-6be>

***** U.S., Russia sign 2 nuclear agreements**

The United States and Russia signed Friday preliminary agreements to divert the fuel of nuclear weapons and the attention of atomic scientists to peaceful purposes. "Today we signed two documents that represent significant agreements advancing our mutual objective of reducing nuclear danger," U.S. Vice President Al Gore said after signing the agreements with Russian Prime Minister Sergei Kiriyenko. One deal foresees spending \$1 billion each in the coming five or six years to convert 50 tons of plutonium from nuclear weapons in each country into nuclear power plant fuel, one official said. See <http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555227146-f81>

***** Argentine police arrest Croat camp boss's wife**

Argentine police arrested the wife of suspected Croat war criminal Dinko Sakic Friday after allegations she was responsible for starvation and summary executions in a World War II concentration camp. Police detained Esperanza Sakic near her home in the coastal town of Santa Teresita hours after receiving a formal request from Interpol Yugoslavia, the Argentine police's Interpol operations chief Eduardo Musto told Reuters. Suffering from Parkinson's disease, a judge ordered she be kept under house arrest until the extradition request is processed. See <http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555226423-d61>

*** Mercosur leaders praise stability of their region

Leaders of South America's Mercosur trade bloc said Friday that their region's integration had provided political stability and helped make the area the world's largest recipient of foreign investment. The presidents, meeting in the southernmost city on earth, Ushuaia, Argentina, for a two-day summit, underlined their efforts in riding out Asia's financial crisis and declared a "zone of peace" free of weapons of mass destruction. Argentina's President Carlos Menem told fellow Mercosur presidents from Brazil, Uruguay and Paraguay that in 1997 the region received \$25 billion in investment. See <http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555227553-4bb>

The World Political Scene

*** Cambodia vote campaign ends, observers worry

On the final day of campaigning for Cambodia's general election a U.N.-coordinated observer group said on Friday it had serious concerns about killings, intimidation, racist campaigning and unfair access to the media. The United Nations-coordinated Joint International Observer Group stopped short of saying it expected a free-and-fair poll, but said conditions were in place for a "broadly representative" vote. The campaign has been marred by reports of

violence and intimidation allegedly committed by local officials loyal to strongman Hun Sen's Cambodian People's Party. Hun Sen ousted his senior co-premier Prince Norodom Ranariddh in a bloody takeover in July last year. See

<http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555227572-ca2>

*** Sidebar: Cambodia's general election - some key facts, see

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*** U.S. upbeat on Russia, Lebed warns on missiles

U.S. Vice President Al Gore gave a cautiously upbeat assessment on Friday of Russia's chances of ending a financial crisis but markets remained unconvinced. Providing a potent reminder of why the world watches Russia and bails it out, reserve general and presidential contender Alexander Lebed said he might take over a nuclear missile unit in the Siberian region he runs if Moscow does not pay its troops. Gore, in Moscow for talks with Prime Minister Sergei Kiriyenko, played down Lebed's comments and concentrated on projecting a positive image of Russia's economic prospects. See <http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555227628-8cd>

*** U.S. envoy fails to break Cyprus stalemate

United States envoy Thomas Miller left the divided island of Cyprus Friday with no apparent breakthrough after a day of diplomacy between the Turkish Cypriot and Greek Cypriot sides. "(There were) good discussions. Time will tell if there was anything more than that,"

Miller said. Miller, Cyprus coordinator in the U.S. State Department, had two meetings with President Glafcos Clerides, head of the Greek Cypriot-led government, and Turkish Cypriot leader Rauf Denktash before leaving Friday evening. The two communities have been divided by a wall of barbed wire and U.N. peacekeepers, since Turkey invaded the northern third of Cyprus in 1974 after a Greek Cypriot coup. See <http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555226941-f32>

*** China envoy in Taiwan to prepare high-level visit

A senior Chinese negotiator arrived in Taiwan Friday to lay the final groundwork for the highest-level Taipei-Beijing talks since a breakthrough meeting in 1993. Li Yafei, deputy secretary-general of China's semi-official Association for Relations Across the Taiwan Strait, said he and his hosts would discuss details of a planned visit to the mainland by Taiwan's top political envoy, Koo Chen-fu. Taipei and Beijing have agreed to a plan under which Koo, an insider of the ruling Nationalist Party and chairman of the Straits Exchange Foundation, will visit several mainland cities in September. See <http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555223775-6d3>

Sports

*** Report: Broncos' Davis agrees to nine-year, \$56 mln contract

(AP) - Terrell Davis, the Super Bowl MVP for the Denver Broncos, has agreed to a nine-year, \$56.1 million contract that will make him the NFL's highest paid running back, according to a published report. The Denver Post said Friday that Davis will sign the contract this weekend. The deal includes an \$11 million signing bonus. "The only thing I can do to celebrate this is go out there and have a great 1998," Davis said Thursday. Davis, 25, a sixth-round draft pick out of Georgia in 1995, led the AFC in rushing the last two seasons, gaining 1,538 yards in 1996 and 1,750 last season. He rushed for 157 yards and three touchdowns in the Broncos' 31-24 Super Bowl victory over Green Bay.

*** Bills' Spielman to sit out 1998 season

(AP) - Chris Spielman of the Buffalo Bills will sit out this season so he can be with his wife, who has breast cancer. Spielman, speaking from his home in Upper Arlington, Ohio, said his decision is based on "unconditional love" for his family. The 32-year-old linebacker said it has nothing to do with his neck injury last season. "My wife has supported me for 10 years unconditionally, and the least I can do is go through this with her unconditionally," Spielman said during a conference call. "I told her that I want to be the one to take her to treatments. I want to be the one to hold her hand. I want to be the one to be with my kids when she can't." Stefanie Spielman was diagnosed with cancer 10 days ago, and has since had surgery, Chris Spielman said.

*** Upset riders delay start of Tour de France

(AP) - Riders showed their anger by starting Friday's stage of the Tour de France two hours late, complaining that the use of performance-enhancing drugs was wrecking the sport. Belgium's Tom Steels won the 137-mile stage from Tarascon-sur-Ariege to Cap d'Gde in southern France for his second Tour victory. The pack caught Jacky Durand of France near the finish with Steels capturing the sprint. Laurent Jalabert, the world's No. 1-ranked cyclist, was instrumental in the early protest and acted as a spokesman. "We are fed up with being treated like cattle. So we are going to behave like cattle," he told Radio Tour, the station that follows the race. When the stage was over, Jan Ullrich still had the overall lead, keeping a 71-second margin over American Bobby Julich.

*** Twins sign new 2-year lease at Metrodome

(AP) - The sports commission that runs the Metrodome approved a new lease for the Twins Friday, guaranteeing the team will remain in Minnesota at least two more years. The new deal will replace a lease that was set to expire in 2012 and ends a legal fight over whether the Twins can legally break the old lease because of poor attendance. "This takes care of the gnat on the elephant," said Bill Lester, the commission's executive director. "Now we have to deal with the elephant." The Twins had said they could not be profitable in the Metrodome under the old lease. Owner Carl Pohlad has been negotiating to sell the team to North Carolina interests. Not all details were

final, but the new lease was expected to be complete by July 31.

*** Rios routs Becker to close in on No. 1 Sampras

(AP) - Marcelo Rios, moving to within one victory of regaining the No. 1 spot in the rankings, routed Boris Becker 6-2, 6-0 Friday to reach the semifinals of the Mercedes Cup in Stuttgart, Germany. Rios, the top seed, dominated the German with his pinpoint passing shots, twice rattling off 10 straight points. Just two weeks ago, Becker beat Rios in straight sets to reach the Swiss Open final, but this time the Chilean played almost flawlessly. Rios would regain the top ranking on the ATP computer from Pete Sampras if he beats world No. 11 Karol Kucera of Slovakia Saturday. Rios held the No. 1 ranking for four weeks starting March 30, breaking the American's 102-week hold on the top, before an elbow injured sidelined him.

*** Swimmer's 2nd sample also tests positive for marijuana

(AP) - Suspended Olympic swimmer Gary Hall Jr.'s backup urine sample also tested positive for marijuana, his attorney told The Arizona Republic. Hall, 23, was suspended temporarily earlier this month by the international swimming federation FINA, which said he tested positive for marijuana during a May 15 competition in Phoenix. Hall tested positive for marijuana during the 1996 Olympics. FINA added marijuana to its banned list just before the Atlanta Games, but the rule did not take effect until after the competition. Hall won gold medals as part of the U.S. 400-meter freestyle and 400 medley relay

teams in the Atlanta Games.

Entertainment

*** 'Ally,' 'Moon' nominations draw Emmy grumbles

Grumbling and charges of foul play erupted Thursday over two of the leading contenders in this year's Primetime Emmy sweepstakes. Rivals complained about producer David E. Kelley's ability to enter the Fox series "Ally McBeal" as a comedy rather than a drama, allowing the series to avoid competition from his two other shows - "Chicago Hope" and "The Practice." And broadcasters said it was unfair for HBO's 12-part docudrama "From the Earth to the Moon" to compete as a miniseries, resulting in a chart-topping 17 nominations. See

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*** Murdoch's minority investment plan stalls

Never mind the moral implications of media tycoon Rupert Murdoch's plan to buy his way around federal broadcast ownership caps with a \$150 million investment in minority-controlled stations. Civil rights leader Jesse Jackson said Thursday it's not enough money. And now it appears that the News Corp. chairman is having some second thoughts

of his own about the plan, which would set up a trust fund for minorities in return for their support behind a waiver on the current national ownership restriction. That cap limits each broadcaster to a 35% audience reach among its owned stations. See

<http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555224009-82f>

*** Norm Macdonald inks Warner Bros. sitcom deal

Former "Saturday Night Live" cast member Norm Macdonald has inked a deal with Warner Bros. TV to star in his own sitcom co-created by Bruce Helford, executive producer of "The Drew Carey Show." While a Macdonald show was pitched to a couple of other studios, Warner Bros. always was the leading contender because Macdonald and Helford have been friends since the two worked together writing on "Roseanne."

"The Drew Carey Show" came together in much the same way: Carey and Helford had worked together as writers on "Someone Like Me." See

<http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555224019-276>

*** Springer tops syndicated talk show ratings

Violence is golden for the "Jerry Springer Show," which rebounded to the No. 1 spot among syndicated talk shows in the week that coincided with the return of brawling among Springer's pugnacious guests.

According to the Nielsen national syndie ratings report for the week ended July 12, "Springer" climbed 13% from the previous week to a 7.0 national household rating. After 15 weeks in sole possession of first place, "Springer" tied with "Oprah Winfrey" for the top spot in the

previous Nielsen report for the week ended July 5. See

<http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555223872-cf3>

*** CBS finally ready for 'Philadelphia'

Tom Hanks' Oscar-winning performance in "Philadelphia" is finally ready for prime time. The emotionally grueling AIDS drama, which also starred Antonio Banderas, has been sitting on the shelf at CBS for a few years, available to the network for airing anytime it wanted. The problem: Because of the film's sensitive subject matter and many harrowing scenes, programmers weren't sure how viewers would respond to the movie. But now, with Hanks once again generating Oscar buzz for "Saving Private Ryan" and Banderas starring in the hit "The Mask of Zorro," CBS has decided to give "Philadelphia" its broadcast premiere on Sunday, Aug. 9. See

<http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555223874-8d8>

*** CBS TV president talks demographics

CBS TV president Leslie Moonves told an audience gathered at the Television Critics Assn. press tour Thursday that the "relentless pursuit of demographics" will lead networks to render "indistinguishable programming." Moonves encouraged viewers who don't fall into the coveted adults 18-49 category to rise up and let advertisers know "they have purchasing power and they respond to advertising." CBS has the oldest audience composition of the all the broadcast networks, and Moonves has campaigned for some time to

squeeze more value from those viewers in the eyes of advertisers. See

<http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555223873-9e8>

Science and Medicine

*** Zimbabweans urge political support for AIDS fight

AIDS support groups appealed to President Robert Mugabe Friday to lead the fight against the spread of AIDS by appointing a minister to coordinate the effort. Representatives of non-governmental organizations petitioned Oppah Muchinguri, the minister for gender issues, to accept the challenge to coordinate their efforts and the state's to curb HIV infection. Zimbabwe has the highest rate of HIV infections in Africa and more than 700 Zimbabweans die of the disease each week. Government statistics show a quarter of Zimbabwe's 12.5 million people have HIV, the virus that causes AIDS. See <http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555224268-e6c>

*** Pfizer seeks OK for Viagra in Japan

Pharmaceutical giant Pfizer has applied for permission to sell the popular anti-impotence drug Viagra in Japan. Japan's Kyodo News says Pfizer Pharmaceuticals, the Japanese affiliate of New York-based Pfizer, has submitted the application and clinical test results from the United States to Japan's Health Ministry. Viagra has been

reported on widely in Japan, especially in the tabloid press. One weekly magazine even printed an article advising Japanese readers how to obtain the drug by mail order. (USA Today)

Technology

*** Microsoft sees Windows 98 tracking Win 95

Microsoft Corp.'s new Windows 98 upgrade is on track to match sales of the blockbuster Windows 95 over its first three months on the market, a top executive said. While Windows 98 is selling into a far bigger installed base of users, the sales rate for what is considered a relatively modest upgrade is exceeding expectations of many people, even inside the software giant, said Jeff Raikes, group vice president for sales and support. Windows 98 already has sold more than one million upgrade units since its June 25 launch, according to Microsoft. See

<http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555210447-920>

*** Intel Xeon chip to ship at end of July

Intel Corp. said that it will delay shipment of its Pentium II Xeon chip for servers running four processors until the end of July, as it repairs a second bug with a software fix in the complex processor. Intel had expected to ship Xeon for use in these so-called four-way

systems in the middle of July, as it fixed and tested an earlier bug, or an errata, found when the chip runs in conjunction with a chipset called the 450-NX. The second errata was identified by Intel at the time of the Xeon launch at the end of June. Intel said it already has a software fix, or a workaround, for this second errata. See <http://www.infobeat.com/stories/cgi/story.cgi?id=2555210101-239>

*** AOL deploys v.90 modem standard on network

America Online Inc. said Thursday it has fully deployed across its network the hardware incorporating the industry standard for 56 kilobit modems. AOL's AOLnet dial-up network has been fit for the International Telecommunications Union standard V.90 modem protocol for high-speed 56-Kilobits-per-second access, the leading online service said. Under V.90, users with 56K modems using x2 or K56flex technology - heretofore incompatible systems - will be able to dial into AOL with any V.90 telephone number. In the past, AOL members had to select an AOL access number based on the type of high-speed modem they were using. x2 and K56flex will still be supported. (Reuters)

*** U.S. presses EU on new mobile phone standard

Senior U.S. officials said on Thursday they had won assurances from the European Commission that Europe's market would be opened to a variety of standards for the third generation of mobile telephone technology. "That is a very, very important issue for American wireless companies that very much want to participate in what is a

fast growing sector of the telecommunications marketplace," Federal Communications Chairman William Kennard told reporters. The officials, in Brussels for regular talks with the EU executive on telecoms and Internet issues, said the United States had proposed four possible standards, including the European one, and believed competition was good for consumers. See

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CPP THIS WEEK

A weekly electronic summary of selected issues from the
B'nai B'rith Center for Public Policy.

Daniel S. Mariaschin, Director (cpp@bnaibrith.org)

^^ CENTER FOR PUBLIC POLICY ^^

*** Richard D. Heideman was elected international president of B'nai
B'rith at its biennial convention in Jerusalem. In his acceptance
speech, Heideman told the assembled members and staff: "As a product of
and participant in B'nai B'rith for 35 years, I have witnessed the highs
and lows. Together, we can face the future as world leader for which
history has prepared us. Together, let us make our voices heard."
Immediately after the convention, Heideman met with a number of leading
Israeli political figures. He succeeds Tommy P. Baer, who stepped down

after completing consecutive two-year terms.

(For a copy of the 26 August press release, please call (202) 857-6545 or e-mail us at cpp@bnaibrith.org.)

^^^ INTERNATIONAL ^^^

*** Argentine President Carlos Menem has okayed the extradition of Esperanza Sakic, the wife of Jasenovac concentration camp commander Dinko Sakic, who is expected to go on trial in Croatia later this year. Ms. Sakic is charged with committing atrocities at the women's section of Jasenovac. During a recent fact-finding trip to Croatia, then-B'nai B'rith international president Tommy P. Baer urged Croatian prosecutors to allow the use of video testimony in order for the mostly elderly survivors to avoid the trauma of testifying against Mr. Sakic.

*** Tajik opposition forces have announced the detainings of three suspects in the killings of four UN workers last month. A fourth suspect is still at large. The bullet-ridden bodies were found in Tavildara, a town nearly 125 miles east of Dushanbe, the capital of Tajikistan.

*** Less than a week after Italian insurance company Generali signed an agreement to pay \$100 million to settle Holocaust-era claims, four other European insurance firms have followed suit. Allianz Holding of Germany, AXA Group of France, and Swiss companies Winterthur and Basel

have signed similar memorandums of understanding.

*** Convicted Nazi collaborator Maurice Papon's demand that the French government pay his legal bills was dismissed by the Interior Ministry. Papon had argued that his working for the state when he committed the crimes meant he was entitled to reimbursement.

*** A former employee of the Anne Frank Foundation has indicated that he will return five missing pages of her diary, but only if scholars promote his research on the Holocaust.

^^ ISRAEL ^^

*** A bomb exploded in a garbage can at the busy Tel Aviv intersection of Allenby Street and Rothschild Boulevard, injuring 21 and damaging several stores. One of the wounded, Ora Kaufman, was also injured in a suicide bomb attack in Jerusalem last September. Palestinian militants are thought to be responsible for the latest blast.

*** In the wake of the Russian economic collapse, the Israeli shekel fell a full percentage point against the American dollar. A head trader for Bank Leumi opined, "Nothing fundamental has changed here. Our situation reflects what happens in world markets, and all the emerging markets are facing a problem now." Israeli officials are also considering the possibility that the Russian financial crisis will trigger a new wave of Jewish immigrants from the former Soviet Union.

^^^ UNITED NATIONS ^^^

*** The United Nations unanimously agreed to suspend sanctions against Libya upon its turning over of two nationals suspected of being the masterminds behind the Pan Am Flight 103 tragedy. The resolution, adopted 15-0, threatens additional sanctions should Libya refuse to comply.

^^^ UNITED STATES ^^^

*** Two suspects who participated in the bombing of the U.S. Embassy in Nairobi earlier this month will be tried in federal court in New York. One of the suspects, Yemeni national Mohamed Rashed Daoud al Owhali has already been arraigned on 12 counts of murder, one count of conspiracy, and one count of using weapons of mass destruction. Mohammed Saddiq Odeh, a Palestinian, is expected to be arraigned upon his arrival in the U.S. from Kenya.

*** A federal judge in Washington ordered the Iranian government to pay \$65 million in civil damages to three American citizens who were held hostage in Lebanon during the late 1980s. The Iranian government did not take part in the judicial proceedings, making it unclear whether Joseph Cicippio, Frank Reed, and David Jacobsen will ever receive compensation for their kidnapping and imprisonment.

*** Rep. Bob Menendez (D-NJ), a strong protector of gum arabic, an imported substance from Sudan that is widely used by candy, cosmetics,

and medical companies, has agreed to withdraw his support from legislation that would protect it from trade prohibitions should evidence be found that links terrorist Osama bin Laden with the industry.

*** A federal judge rebuked New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani and other city officials for denying a permit to an African-American youth march scheduled to be held in Harlem on 5 September. The city had argued that safety concerns were behind the permit denial; Judge Lewis Kaplan disagreed, calling the case a classic free speech issue. The march organizers are headed by virulent anti-Semite Khalid Muhammad, who recently referred to the mayor as a "cracker" and a "racist".

QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

"The illusion of arms control is more dangerous than no arms control at all. What is being propagated by the Security Council today is such an illusion, one which in all good faith I cannot, and will not, be a party to."

--- UN weapons inspector Scott Ritter, as quoted in the New York Times
(27 August 1998)

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PRESS OFFICE CHECKLIST FOR EVENT MEETINGS

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Event: Address Opening Ceremony of World Bank/IMF Annual Meeting

(Draft 1, 10/02/98)

Date: October 6, 1998

Time: 10:30 pm

Date for Announcing

/Advisory: October 2, 1998 (President announced upon departure to PA,

OH)

Press: Open

Site: Washington Marriott Wardman Park Hotel -- Ballroom

Program: The President addresses the opening ceremony of the 1998

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Stakeout

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Participants:

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Policy Paper/Q&A

Originating Office: NEC

Contact and phone number: Jake Siewert, 456-5316

Date Press Paper Expected: October 5

Date Q&A Expected: October 5

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MEMORANDUM FOR JOE LOCKHART

SUBJECT: PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS TO WORLD BANK/IMF OPENING SESSION

DATE: OCTOBER 5, 1998

Tomorrow morning (10/6), President Clinton will address the opening session of the 1998 World Bank/International Monetary Fund Annual Meetings at the Washington Marriott Wardman Park Hotel. The President's portion of the program is scheduled to begin at 10:30 am. This event is open press. The IMF and World Bank have been credentialing the media on-site.

Secretary Rubin will make brief remarks and introduce the President. The President will make remarks and return to his seat. He will stay as Rogue Fernandez, Minister of Economy of Argentina and President Carlos Menem or Argentina make remarks. The four will depart together and have a brief,

private, meeting. The President then comes back to the White House.

The purpose of the President's speech: To underscore to an influential group of

finance ministers and financial authorities from around the world the urgency

of moving quickly to address the global financial crisis. To reiterate challenges the President laid out in the Council on Foreign Relations: the short-term challenge of strengthening our response to the financial crisis and

the long-term challenge of building a stronger global financial architecture to

better prevent financial instability. (Siewert/NEC)

Treasury will be releasing a state-by-state breakdown of how the international

financial crisis has affected U.S. states. To amplify this information, the

regional asst. press secretaries will send these statistics, along with paper

developed by NEC, out to the top papers in their respective regions.

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and radio will also amplify these numbers.

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9:15 am OVAL OFFICE

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9:15 am- BRIEFING

9:30 am OVAL OFFICE

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10:10 am OVAL OFFICE

Staff Contact: Thurgood Marshall, Jr. , Gene Sperling

10:15 am THE PRESIDENT departs The White House via motorcade en route

Washington Marriott Wardman Park Hotel

[drive time: 10 minutes]

10:25am THE PRESIDENT arrives Washington Marriott Wardman Park Hotel

Greeters: President Carlos Menem, Argentina

Roque Fernandez, Minister of Economy and Public Services

Dr. Wolfgang Ruttensstorfer, Chairman of the Board of

Governors and Secretary of State Federal Ministry of Finance

Michael Camdessus, Managing Director, International Monetary Fund

James D. Wolfensohn, President, World Bank Group

Reinhard Munzberg, Secretary, International Monetary Fund

Zhang Shengman, Managing Director and Corporate Secretary, World Bank Group

Edward Rudzinski, General Manager, Washington Marriott Wardman Park Hotel

10:30am- ADDRESS OPENING CEREMONY OF THE 1998 WORLD

11:20 am BANK/INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND ANNUAL MEETINGS

BALLROOM

Washington Marriott Wardman Park Hotel

Remarks: Michael Waldman

Staff Contact: Thurgood Marshall, Jr., Gene Sperling

Event Coordinator: Clyde Williams

OPEN PRESS

-- Off-stage announcement of the President accompanied by President Carlos
S.

Menem of Argentina, Secretary Robert Rubin, Rogue Fernandez, Minister of
Economy of Argentina.

-- Dr. Wolfgang Ruttensstorfer, Chairman of the Board of Governors and
Secretary

of State Federal Ministry of Finance, introduces Secretary Robert Rubin.

-- Secretary Robert Rubin makes brief remarks and introduces the President.

-- The President makes remarks and returns to his seat.

-- Dr. Wolfgang Rutenstorfer introduces Rogue Fernandez.

-- Rogue Fernandez, Minister of Economy of Argentina, introduces President Carlos S. Menem of Argentina.

-- President Carlos S. Menem of Argentina makes remarks.

-- The President and President Carlos S. Menem, accompanied by Secretary Robert

Rubin and Rogue Fernandez depart.

11:25 am- PULL-ASIDE MEETING WITH PRESIDENT CARLOS S. MENEM OF

11:40 am ARGENTINA

VIRGINIA ROOM

Washington Marriott Wardman Park Hotel

Staff Contact: Samuel Berger

Event Coordinator: Clyde Williams

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The President

Secretary Robert Rubin

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Patricia Arizu, interpreter

Others TBD President Carlos Saul Menem

Jorge Albert Rodriguez, Cabinet President

Guido Di Tella, Minister of Foreign Affairs

Ambassador Diego Ramiro Guelar

Roque Benjamin Fernandez, Minister of

Economy and Public Services

Alberto Kohan, General Secretary

Ana Braun, Interpreter

11:45 am THE PRESIDENT departs Washington Marriott Wardman Park Hotel via
motorcade en route The White House
[drive time: 10 minutes]

11:55 am THE PRESIDENT arrives The White House

12:00 pm (T) HOLD FOR POSSIBLE BRIEFING AND FOREIGN POLICY PHONE

12:30 pm CALL

OVAL OFFICE

Staff Contact: Samuel Berger

12:30 pm- PHONE AND OFFICE TIME

3:30 pm OVAL OFFICE

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3:30 pm- MEETING

4:00 pm OVAL OFFICE

Staff Contact: Jack Lew

4:00 pm- MEETING

4:05 pm OVAL OFFICE

Staff Contact: Stephanie Streett

4:15 pm- BRIEFING

4:30 pm OVAL OFFICE

Staff Contact: Larry Stein

4:30 pm- BILL SIGNING CEREMONY FOR S. 1695, SAND CREEK MASSACRE

4:45 pm NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE PRESERVATION ACT OF 1998

OVAL OFFICE

Staff Contact: Larry Stein

Event Coordinator: Karin Kullman

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4:50 pm- BRIEFING FOR VIDEO TAPINGS

5:00 pm CABINET ROOM

Staff Contact: Joe Lockhart, Brenda Anders

5:00 pm- VIDEO TAPINGS

5:30 pm CABINET ROOM

Remarks: Jordan Tamagni

Staff Contact: Joe Lockhart, Brenda Anders

Note: The first three videos will be taped with the First Lady.

-- Video Honoring Carol Rasco as the University of Central Arkansas'

Distinguished Alumnus of 1998

Staff Contact: Craig Smith

-- Message for Americans for Peace Now Annual Shimon Peres Peace Award

Dinner

Staff Contact: Minyon Moore

-- Video for Naming Ceremony of the "Wasserman Campus" of the Motion

Picture &

Television Fund

Staff Contact: Craig Smith

Note: The following video will be taped with Erskine Bowles, Chief of Staff.

-- Message for 100th Anniversary of North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company

Staff Contact: Minyon Moore

Note: The remaining videos will be taped by the President alone.

-- Message for United Union of Roofers 25th Convention

Staff Contact: Karen Tramontano

-- Message for Professor and Ambassador John Kenneth Galbraith's Birthday Celebration

Staff Contact: Ann Lewis

-- Message for Conference of Great City Schools

Staff Contact: Bruce Reed

-- Message for Treasures from Mount Vernon: George Washington Revealed

Staff Contact: Ellen Lovell

-- Message for Nickelodeon's Big Help-a-thon 5

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BALKAN CRISIS

+ NATO went on bombing SERBIAN military targets, oil supplies and infrastructure. At least ten Serb civilians died when a missile hit a train on a bridge. As many as 70 fleeing Kosovars died after what was thought to be a military convoy was bombed in Kosovo. The Pentagon admitted that NATO might be responsible. Serb militias continued to attack ethnic Albanians in Kosovo. Hundreds of thousands remained homeless, both within and outside the province.

- + Meanwhile RUSSIA sounded ever more friendly to the Serbs, sending humanitarian aid by land as government officials spoke of sending warships to the Mediterranean. President Boris Yeltsin, condemning NATO's actions, even raised the spectre of a world war. He named ex-prime minister Viktor Chernomyrdin, a moderate, as envoy on Kosovo.

- + Some European Union leaders welcomed a UN INITIATIVE calling for a suspension of NATO air strikes if Serbia halted the violence in Kosovo, withdrew all its forces, allowed an international force to police the province and let Kosovo's refugees get home.

- + SWEDEN's finance minister, Erik Asbrink, resigned two days before he was to present a budget. The British government said Chilean former dictator, AUGUSTO PINOCHET, must face extradition proceedings for crimes including torture.

- + Turkey's top court refused to ban the only KURDISH PARTY running in a general election.

JUDGMENT DAY

- + ANWAR IBRAHIM, Malaysia's former deputy prime minister, was sentenced

to six years in jail on corruption charges. The United States said there were serious flaws in the judicial process. Australia said Malaysia was "lurching towards authoritarianism."

+ India and Pakistan test-fired upgraded MISSILES capable of carrying nuclear warheads.

+ Shintaro Ishihara, a writer opposed to America's military presence in Japan, was elected GOVERNOR OF TOKYO.

+ A Pakistani court found opposition leader BENAZIR BHUTTO and her husband, Asif Zardari, guilty of corruption and sentenced them to five years in jail. Miss Bhutto was also disqualified from holding any public office. They were both fined a total of \$8.6 million by the court.

THE LAW'S REACH

+ A federal judge in Arkansas declared Bill Clinton in CONTEMPT OF COURT because he had given "intentionally false" evidence in testimony about Monica Lewinsky.

+ Having said he wished to be "prosecuted for euthanasia", Jack Kevorkian was found guilty of SECOND-DEGREE MURDER and got 10-25 years in prison for giving a lethal injection to a man suffering from Lou Gehrig's disease.

+ It was senior officials at the Department of Energy, not the Clinton White House, who opposed a tougher search for CHINESE SPIES in America's nuclear laboratories, said a top departmental intelligence officer.

+ The last of the beavers accused of EATING THE CHERRY TREES in the Tidal Basin in Washington, DC, was arrested.

+ In ARGENTINA, one poll put the ruling Justicialist party ahead of the opposition Alliance, for the first time in two years. The Supreme Court confirmed a Justicialist decision that President Carlos Menem could lead his party until 2003.

+ Guerrillas hijacked a COLOMBIAN airliner and kidnapped nearly all its passengers.

+ VENEZUELA slid toward constitutional chaos, as President Hugo Chavez threatened to declare a state of emergency if Congress did not give him all the economic powers that he wants. A planned constituent assembly could dissolve Congress and do its work anyway, he said. Not so, said the Supreme Court. Let the new body dissolve the court too, said Mr Chavez.

+ MEXICAN trade unionists and academics pursued their campaign against government plans to amend the constitution to let private companies own electric-power plants and distribute their output.

LAST MAN STANDING

+ The day before ALGERIA's ground-breaking election of a civilian president, all the candidates but one withdrew. They said the army was manipulating the result in favour of Abdelaziz Bouteflika, the one remaining candidate, by rigging the pre-election army and police ballots.

+ A senior Iranian general, Ali Sayyad Shirazi, was ASSASSINATED in Tehran. The mujahideen opposition, based in Iraq, claimed to have "punished" him for his suppression of Iranian Kurds.

+ NIGER's unpopular military ruler, Ibrahim Bare Mainassara, was killed in a hail of bullets by his own guard. Nobody took the official explanation of "an unfortunate accident" seriously. The head of the presidential guard, Major Daouda Malam Wanke, took over, ousting some of the old regime and talking of "reconciliation".

+ South Africa's NELSON MANDELA formally set June 2nd as the date of the election that will end his presidency.

+ A Rwandan bishop was arrested to face GENOCIDE CHARGES for killings in 1994.

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