

**Memorandum on Assistance to the
Korean Peninsula Energy
Development Organization**

June 19, 1998

Presidential Determination No. 98-31

Memorandum for the Secretary of State

Subject: Presidential Determination on U.S. Assistance to the Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization (KEDO)

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by section 614(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, 22 U.S.C. 2364(a)(1) (the "Act"), I hereby determine that it is important to the security interests of the United States to furnish up to \$5 million in funds made available under Chapter IV, Part II of the Act for a U.S. contribution to KEDO without regard to any provision of law within the scope of section 614(a)(1). I hereby authorize this contribution.

You are hereby authorized and directed to transmit this determination to the Congress and to arrange for its publication in the *Federal Register*.

William J. Clinton

**Message to the Senate Transmitting
the Estonia-United States Legal
Assistance Treaty With
Documentation**

June 19, 1998

To the Senate of the United States:

With a view to receiving the advice and consent of the Senate to ratification, I transmit herewith the Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Estonia on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, signed at Washington on April 2, 1998. I transmit also, for the information of the Senate, the report of the Department of State with respect to the Treaty.

The Treaty is one of a series of modern mutual legal assistance treaties being negotiated by the United States in order to counter criminal activity more effectively. The Treaty should be an effective tool to assist in the prosecution of a wide variety of

crimes, including "white-collar" crime and drug-trafficking offenses. The Treaty is self-executing.

The Treaty provides for a broad range of cooperation in criminal matters. Mutual assistance available under the Treaty includes: taking the testimony or statements of persons; providing documents, records, and articles of evidence; locating or identifying persons or items; serving documents; transferring persons in custody for testimony or other purposes; executing requests for searches and seizures; assisting in proceedings related to immobilization and forfeiture of assets, restitution, and collection of fines; and rendering any other form of assistance not prohibited by the laws of the Requested State.

I recommend that the Senate give early and favorable consideration to the Treaty and give its advice and consent to ratification.

William J. Clinton

The White House,
June 19, 1998.

**Digest of Other
White House Announcements**

The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

June 13

In the morning, the President attended a reception in the Rose Garden Arena at Portland State University in Portland, OR.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Springfield, OR. Later, he traveled to Los Angeles, CA, arriving in the evening.

June 14

In the morning, the President and Hillary Clinton departed for Washington, DC, arriving in the early evening.

June 15

In the afternoon, the President had a telephone conversation with President Boris Yeltsin of Russia concerning the situation in Kosovo.