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Nation readies to meet new president-elect

WASHINGTON - America, meet your new president.

Bill Clinton wants to ban assault weapons. He wants to guarantee family leave from jobs. He will push for a national examination system to measure the progress of students and schools. He wants to guarantee a woman's right to abortion.



Washington's power.

ment is stirring after 12 years of Re-

a \$20-billion-a-year spending plan for highways and bridges to create jobs. Longer term, he'll seek investment tax credits for new plants and equipment, and a capital gains tax cut for new business. He wants to raise taxes on Ameri-

cans with household incomes over \$200,000, and cut taxes for middleand lower-income workers. Beyond Clinton's highly publicized

the centerpiece of Clinton's campaign

was a stimulus program built around

promises on the economy and health insurance are numerous other unequivocal positions that lay a bluepublican attempts to restrain print for his administration. He is pledged to sign the Brady Bill

The economy was issue No. 1, and requiring a waiting period for handgun purchases. He wants to ban offshore oil drilling where rigs are not already in place. He wants a law to prohibit companies from hiring permanent replacements for strikers.

> Clinton says homosexuals should not be excluded from the military. The number of American troops in Europe would be cut to 75,000 to 100,000 under Clinton, rather than the 150,000 ceiling set by President Bush. Clinton says allies should shoulder more of the burden.

He wants a system under which states would automatically register people to vote when they apply for drivers' licenses. He is willing to spend

\$8.25 billion on the atom-smashing superconducting super collider projects. He says he'll repeal most Bush policies on abortion.

Clinton wants to put 100,000 new police officers on the streets through a national police corps and other means. He supports the death penalty.

He wants to limit carbon dioxide emissions to 1990 levels by the year 2000 to reverse global warming. For cars, he wants to phase in a 40-mpg auto fuel efficiency standard by the turn of the century. He would set national water-pollution runoff standards. He is committed to eliminating the production and use of all ozonedepleting chemicals as soon as possible





Perot backers pick up pieces, plan

DALLAS - Some of Ross Perot's campaign aides said Wednesday that the 19 million Americans who voted for him could form



a third political party if Presidentelect Clinton fails to revive the cconomy and cut the deficit.

party is there if the group wishes

director of Perot's volunteer organization, United We Stand, America. Experts on third parties and even

some Perot associates said the success of Clinton's presidency would deter-mine whether United We Stand would be a potent political force.

The organization will remain active to promote the Texas billionaire's proposals for deficit reduction and "The basis for a economic revival, Swindle said.

denounced these committees during the campaign as the tool of special interests

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Neither Swindle nor other aides could specify how Perot would work to keep his issues before the American public or whether he would consider running again in 1996.

We've got so many bridges to cross before we get there," Swindle told the campaign's final briefing for reporters. Still, "Ross Perot has got a to pursue that as an ultimate end. I litical action committee to contribute great following. Somebody believes think it's worth a lot of consider- to congressional candidates, aides in him enough to invest in a few

Clinton happy, tired after hard-won battle

Wednesday to "spare no effort to re- shared goals," he cabled. store jobs, growth and incomes" as he contemplated the first Democratic ers, Clinton reaffirmed the "essential administration in a dozen years. The continuity" of American foreign party's top leaders in Congress offered cooperation and a fast start on setting the economy right.

President Bush flew home to a heroes' welcome at the White House and said he would 'cooperate fully"

with the man who defeated him. "It's been a wonderful four years and nobody can take that away from us," the president told supporters.

On the morning after his victory, Clinton took a brief hand-in-hand sidewalk stroll with his wife, Hillary.

"I am happy, exhausted, thinking of all the work to be done," the president-to-be said. Asked his plans for the day, he replied, laughing, "I am going to be taking a nap.

He also arranged a meeting with the leaders of a pre-election transition team

In remarks aimed at business and financial leaders, Clinton said later that "although change is on the horizon, we understand the need to pursue stability even as we pursue new growth.

To the voters, he said he would "get up every morning and work hard" on tackling the nation's economic difficulties.

'It will not be easy, but we will spare no effort to restore growth, jobs and income to the American people," he said

British Prime Minister John Major announced he had sent the 46-yearold Clinton a message

President-elect Clinton pledged the United States in pursuit of our

In the statement he read to reportpolicy, and reminded allies and potential adversaries alike that the nation's affairs of state remained in Bush's hands as long as he was president.

In a government building a few blocks from the White House, work crews installed telephones, spackled walls and worked on a security system in preparation for the arrival of the Democratic planners who will build the nation's new government.

The newly elected members of the Democratic-controlled Congress, including 22 more women in the House, 16 more blacks and six more Hispanics, looked ahead to their terms in office.

Four new Democratic women were elected to the Senate, including two from California. One of them, Dianne Feinstein of California, said voters wanted to see "steady progress being made, that the gridlock is gone" in Washington.

Carol Moseley Braun, D-Ill., the first black woman elected to the Senate, was asked what she thought when she found out she had won. "Praise the Lord," she said.

"I think there will be a very positive and cooperative spirit and attitude," Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell said in an interview on ABC's Good Morning America." The Maine Democrat noted Clinton had laid out several priorities during his successful campaign for the White House.

"And they are, of course: economic growth and job creation, health care reform, dealing with the deficit. And "We live in a troubled and often we look forward to acting promptly when he proposes legislation early

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The group might even form a ation," said Orson Swindle, executive said, even though Perot constantly bumper stickers.

disorderly world and I look forward to working closely with you as you lead next year.

orld listens when American voters talk

They stopped doing deals on the Manila exchange. They quit arguing at a political congress in Zaire and listened to bulletins from America. In the new Ukraine, they tuned in to see how an old democracy works.

The world's millions watched the United States remake its political face overnight



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and

value was mixed.

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can economy is important not only for

the United States alone but also for

Japan and for the whole world," Japa-

nese foreign minister Michio

Watanabe said. German Chancellor Helmut Kohl's

congratulatory message struck a more

down-to-carth tone, reminding

Clinton of major tasks ahead: "Our

hopes for a more peaceful world and

for the carrying out of human rights,

cluded Ukraine's prime minister, Leonid Kuchma.

Bill Clinton, 46, could have gotten a morning-after preview of the kind of global headaches that await him: While worn-out Democrats slept late in Little Rock, U.S. envoys were taking steps in Geneva to slap punitive tariffs on European farm goods.

In Asia, where traders on the Philippine exchange put down their order democracy and a market economy

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Watanabe Japanese foreign minister

sheets to watch U.S. returns on televi- everywhere in Europe still have not been fulfilled." sion, stocks rose. In Europe, stock indexes held steady and the dollar's

Russia's President Boris Yeltsin vowed to work toward "strengthening the relations of friendship and partnership between our countries.

European Community and U.S. negotiators deadlocked in talks to liberalize world trade. The result: Wednesday's moves by the Bush administration to impose tariffs on selected European farm products. The friend in the Arkansan. Europeans would be sure to strike back

Jacques Delors, the Community's top communism. We in Hungary will not executive, sent to Clinton had the forget him."

sound of an appeal. "Together we can bear more fruit than separately," he told the president-elect.

China also is concerned about Clinton trade policies. He favors withdrawing favorable trade status from Beijing's "free-market Communists" to pressure them to liberalize their politics. A Hong Kong newspaper that often speaks for Beijing said such interference" would "elicit a strong

Chinese response." In the African nation of Zaire, delegates at the "national conference," an opposition-led gathering trying to strip President Mobutu Sese Seko of his autocratic powers, interrupted the proceedings to listen to reports of Clinton's victory. Opposition newspapers predicted they would find a

Hungarian foreign minister Geza Jeszenszky offered congratulations to The congratulatory message Bush, "an active player in the fall of Editor Chris Hopfensperger 472-1766 Managing Editor, Kris Karnopp Assoc. News Editors Adeana Lettin Assoc. News Editors Adeana Lettin Assoc. News Editor Wiring Coach Editorial Page Editor Wire Editor Copy Desk Editor Copy Desk Editor Copy Desk Editor Copy Desk Editor Senior Acct. Exec. Jassified Ad Manager Publications Board Chairman Forfessional Adviser Professional Adviser FAX NUMBER 472:1761

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