

US Executive Branch Update – September 23, 2022

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This report provides a snapshot of the U.S. Executive Branch priorities via daily schedules and the prior day's press releases.

POTUS' Schedule*

8:00 a.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT receives the President's Daily Briefing

1:00 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT delivers remarks at a Democratic National Committee event

1:50 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT arrives at the White House

8:00 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT and The First Lady host and deliver remarks at a musical performance by music legend and global humanitarian, Sir Elton John | South Lawn

VPOTUS' Schedule*

12:50 p.m. EDT – THE VICE PRESIDENT will meet with NAACP young leaders for a conversation about a number of topics critical to young people | Vice President's Ceremonial Office

Looking ahead: The Vice President will travel to Tokyo, Japan, and Seoul, Republic of Korea, from September 25-29. The Vice President will lead the U.S. delegation to the State Funeral of former Prime Minister Abe Shinzo of Japan. In Tokyo and Seoul, the Vice President will meet with senior government officials and civil society representatives to reinforce the United States' alliances with Japan and the Republic of Korea.

White House Press Briefing Schedule*

2:30 p.m. EDT – Press Briefing by Press Secretary Karine Jean-Pierre | James S. Brady Press Briefing Room

**The U.S. President (POTUS) and Vice President's (VPOTUS) daily schedules are subject to change, as is the White House press briefing schedule.*

Recap of Thursday, September 22, 2022

Note: All colored text denotes hyperlinks.

The White House

- [Readout](#) of President Biden's Meeting with Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos, Jr.
- [Remarks](#) by President Biden and President Marcos of the Republic of the Philippines Before Bilateral Meeting
- [Remarks](#) by President Biden on Hurricane Fiona Recovery Efforts
- [Remarks](#) by President Biden at a Democratic National Committee Reception
- [Remarks](#) by Vice President Harris to Political Science Students at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
- [Remarks](#) by Vice President Harris at the Democratic Attorneys General Association Conference
- [Readout](#) of National Security Advisor Jake Sullivan's Meeting with President Aleksandar Vucic of Serbia
- [Readout](#) from Communities in Action: Building a Better North Carolina
- [Nominations](#) Sent to the Senate

Department of Defense (DOD)

- [Transcript](#): Air Force Brig. Gen. Pat Ryder, Pentagon Press Secretary, Holds a Press Briefing
- [Article](#): Russian Mobilization May Be Reinforcing Failure in Ukraine
- [Press Release](#): DOD Announces Immediate and Long-Term Actions to Help Strengthen the Economic Security and Stability of Service Members and Their Families
- [Memorandum](#): Taking Care of Our Service Members and Families
- [Transcript](#): Press Briefing on the Immediate and Long-Term Actions to Help Strengthen the Economic Security and Stability of Service Members and Their Families
- [Article](#): Austin Pledges to 'Ease the Load' for Service Members
- [Article](#): DOD, Services Moving Ahead on Recommendations to Combat Sexual Assault
- [Article](#): 'Hurricane Hunters' Fly Fiona Mission

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- [Contracts](#) for September 22, 2022

Department of State

[Daily Schedule](#) | Friday, September 23

Russia/Ukraine

- September 22: [Statement](#) | The Moscow Mechanism Report on Russia's Failure to Fulfill its Human Dimension Commitments
- September 22: [Statement](#) | Secretary Antony J. Blinken at the United Nations Security Council Ministerial Meeting on Ukrainian Sovereignty and Russian Accountability

UNGA

- September 22: [Statement](#) | Statement by Foreign Minister Baerbock in her capacity as Chair of the G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting at the High-Level Week of the UN General Assembly
- September 22: [Statement](#) | High-level FSO Safer Side Event Co-hosted by the Netherlands, the United States and Germany: Funding Gap Closed for First Stage of Salvage Operation

International Partnership for Information & Democracy

- September 22: [Statement](#) | Signing Statement for the International Partnership for Information and Democracy
- September 22: [Statement](#) | Senior Official for Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs Liz Allen Announces the United States Joins International Partnership for Information and Democracy

Minerals Security Partnership/Clean Technology

- September 22: [Statement](#) | Minerals Security Partnership Convening Supports Robust Supply Chains for Clean Energy Technologies
- September 22: [Remarks](#) | Secretary Antony J. Blinken at the Ministerial Meeting of the Minerals Security Partnership

Clean Energy

- September 22: [Statement](#) | Australia Commits to the Clean Energy Demand Initiative's Goals with Corporate Partners

Nature Crime Roundtable

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- September 22: [Statement](#) | Joint Statement on Nature Crime

Asia-Pacific

- September 22: [Readout](#) | Secretary Blinken's Meeting with People's Republic of China (PRC) State Councilor and Foreign Minister Wang Yi
- September 22: [Statement](#) | Joint Statement on Partners in the Blue Pacific Foreign Ministers Meeting
- September 22: [Remarks](#) | Secretary Antony J. Blinken at the Ministerial Meeting of the Partners in the Blue Pacific
- September 22: [Statement](#) | Joint Statement on the U.S.-Japan-Republic of Korea Trilateral Foreign Ministerial Meeting
- September 22: [Remarks](#) | Secretary Antony J. Blinken and Japanese Foreign Minister Yoshimasa Hayashi and Republic of Korea Foreign Minister Park Jin Before Their Meeting
- September 22: [Readout](#) | Special Representative for the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) Sung Kim's Travel to Seoul, Republic of Korea (ROK)
- September 22: [Statement](#) | United States Announces More Than \$170 Million in Humanitarian Assistance for the Rakhine State/Rohingya Refugee Crisis

Afghanistan

- September 22: [Statement](#) | Communiqué of the U.S.-Europe Group on Afghanistan

Venezuela

- September 22: [Statement](#) | Humanitarian Assistance to Respond to the Venezuela Regional Crisis

Iran

- September 22: [Sanctions](#) | Designating Iran's Morality Police and Seven Officials for Human Rights Abuses in Iran

Africa

- September 22: [Statement](#) | Mali National Day

ITU Plenipotentiary Conference

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- September 22: [Statement](#) | U.S. Delegation to the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) Plenipotentiary Conference (Sept. 26)

U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)

- [Press Release](#): The United States Announces Nearly \$376 Million in Additional Humanitarian Assistance for People Affected by the Ongoing Crisis in Venezuela and the Region
- [Press Release](#): The United States Announces More Than \$170 Million in Additional Humanitarian Assistance for Vulnerable People in Burma and Bangladesh

U.S. Mission to the United Nations (UN)

- [Readout](#): Ambassador Thomas-Greenfield's Meeting with Foreign Minister Juan Carlos Holguín of Ecuador
- [Remarks](#) by Ambassador Linda Thomas-Greenfield at a UN Ministerial on Least Developed Countries
- [Transcript](#): Ambassador Linda Thomas-Greenfield's Interview on MSNBC's "Morning Joe"

Department of the Treasury

- [Readout](#): Assistant Secretary Elizabeth Rosenberg's Visit to the Republic of Korea
- [Remarks](#) by Under Secretary for Domestic Finance Nellie Liang at the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association's Prudential and Capital Board Subcommittee
- [Sanctions](#): Treasury Sanctions Iran's Morality Police and Senior Security Officials for Violence Against Protesters and the Death of Mahsa Amini
- [Sanctions List Updates](#): Iran-related Designations and Designation Update; Cyber-related Designation Update

Securities & Exchange Commission (SEC)

- [Press Release](#): Boeing to Pay \$200 Million to Settle SEC Charges that it Misled Investors about the 737 MAX

Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) | [Daily Press Releases](#)

- [Press Release](#): South Carolina Man Convicted of COVID-19 Relief Fraud

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- [Press Release](#): Former Executive Director of Mississippi Department of Human Services Pleads Guilty for Conspiring to Defraud the State of Mississippi
 - [Press Release](#): Justice Department Announces \$21.72 Million to Reduce Sexual and Domestic Violence on Campus, Support Children and Youth and Engage Men and Boys as Allies
 - [Press Release](#): Former New Orleans Police Officer Charged with Civil Rights Violation for Sexual Assault
 - [Press Release](#): West Virginia Man Charged with Federal Civil Rights Offenses for Sexual Assault of Two Victims
 - [Press Release](#): Former Teacher Sentenced for Producing Child Sexual Abuse Material
 - [Press Release](#): Petrochemical Producer Altivia Agrees to Comprehensive Program to Reduce Harmful Air Pollution from Leaking Equipment to Resolve Clean Air Act Violations in Ohio
 - [Speech](#): Director Rachel Rossi of the Office for Access to Justice Delivers Keynote Remarks During the National Association of Public Defense Women's Conference
 - [Press Release](#): Mississippi Tax Preparer Sentenced to Prison for Filing False Client Returns

Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/Customs and Border Protection (CBP)

- [Press Release](#): CBP Notes Significant Amount of Immigration Violations at Laredo Field Office Ports, Warns of Legal Consequences for Immigration Law Violations (Texas)
- [Press Release](#): Del Rio Border Patrol Agents Respond to Vehicle Accident (Texas)
- [Press Release](#): Blaine Sector Border Patrol agents seize more than 2 pounds of ketamine (Washington State)

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

- [Link](#) to daily press releases

General Services Administration (GSA)

- [Press Release](#): GSA Announces Inaugural Acquisition Policy Advisory Committee Members

Department of Commerce/National Telecommunications & Information Administration (NTIA)

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- [NTIA Press Release](#): Biden-Harris Administration Awards \$29.3 Million “Internet for All” Grant to Expand High-Speed Internet Access to the Native Village of Port Lions, AK

Federal Communications Commission (FCC)

- [Press Release](#): FCC Waives USF, Broadband Program Rules in Response to Hurricane Fiona
- [Press Release](#): Hurricane Fiona Communications Status Report – September 22, 2022
- [Press Release](#): FCC To Hold Open Commission Meeting Thursday, September 29, 2022
- [Remarks](#) by Chairwoman Rosenworcel at the Grace Hopper Celebration

Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB)

- [Press Release](#): CFPB Launches Effort to Spur New Opportunities for Homeowners in the Mortgage Market

U.S. International Development Finance Corporation (DFC)

- [Press Release](#): DFC CEO Nathan Discusses Ukraine Reconstruction, Renewable Energy Investment, and Bilateral Partnerships at UN General Assembly

U.S. Export-Import Bank (EXIM)

- [Press Release](#): U.S. EXIM Bank Signs Co-Financing Agreement with Korea Trade Insurance Corporation During United Nations General Assembly Meetings

Department of Agriculture (USDA)

- [Press Release](#): Biden-Harris Administration Announces \$502 Million for High-Speed Internet in Rural Communities
- [Press Release](#): Historic Investment in Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities and Rural Projects | Hear What They’re Saying

Department of Energy (DOE)

- [Press Release](#): Clean Hydrogen Production Standard Draft Guidance Released
- [Press Release](#): DOE Announces \$42 Million To Develop High Performance Cooling Systems For Data Centers

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- [Press Release](#): Better Plants Partners Save \$10.6 Billion in Energy Costs

Department of Interior (DOI)

- [Press Release](#): Interior Department Announces Next Steps to Address Drought Crisis Gripping the Colorado River Basin
- [Press Release](#): Interior Department Invests Over \$5.1 Million from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to Advance Wildfire Resilience in Colorado

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

- [Press Release](#): EPA Honors 17 Home Builders and Raters for Providing Healthier Indoor Air
- [Link](#) to other EPA press releases

Department of Transportation

- [Press Release](#): Air Travel Consumer Report: July Consumer Complaints Up from June, More Than 260 Percent Above Pre-Pandemic Levels

Department of Labor/Office of the Inspector General (OIG)

- [OIG Alert Memorandum](#): Potentially Fraudulent Unemployment Insurance Payments in High-Risk Areas Increased to \$45.6 Billion (Report Number: 19-22-005-03-315)
- [Press Release](#): Unemployment Insurance Weekly Claims Report
- [Press Release](#): U.S. Department of Labor investigation finds Houston area drywall contractor violated federal law, misclassified workers as independent contractors
- [Press Release](#): U.S. Department of Labor recovers \$100K in wages for Oklahoma City rehabilitation program residents denied minimum wage, overtime

Health & Human Services (HHS)

- [Press Release](#): HHS Approves 12-month Extension of Postpartum Medicaid and CHIP Coverage in North Carolina

Housing & Urban Development (HUD)

- [Press Release](#): HUD Announces \$180 Million Choice Neighborhood Implementation Grants

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