

US Executive Branch Update: April 14, 2023

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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*

6:45 a.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT departs Dublin, Ireland, en route to County Mayo, Ireland (11:45 a.m. Local)

8:15 a.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT arrives in County Mayo, Ireland (1:15 p.m. Local)

9:00 a.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT tours The Sanctuary of Our Lady of Knock (2:00 p.m. Local)

10:30 a.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT tours Mayo Roscommon Hospice (3:30 p.m. Local)

11:45 a.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT departs en route to North Mayo Heritage Center Landing Zone (4:15 p.m. Local)

12:15 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT arrives at North Mayo Heritage Center Landing Zone (5:15 p.m. Local)

12:30 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT visits the North Mayo Heritage and Genealogical Centre's Family History Research Unit (5:30 p.m. Local)

3:25 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT departs en route to Saint Muredach's College Landing Zone (8:25 p.m. Local)

3:40 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT arrives at Saint Muredach's College Landing Zone (8:40 p.m. Local)

4:15 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT delivers remarks to the people of County Mayo (9:15 p.m. Local) | Saint Muredach's Cathedral, Ballina, Ireland

5:40 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT departs en route to Ireland West Airport Knock (10:40 p.m. Local)

6:05 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT departs County Mayo, Ireland en route to Dublin, Ireland (11:05 p.m. Local)

7:05 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT departs Dublin, Ireland en route to Dover, Delaware (April 15 at 12:05 a.m. Local)

VPOTUS' Schedule*

9:20 a.m. EDT – THE VICE PRESIDENT will depart Joint Base Andrews en route to LaGuardia International Airport, New York

10:25 a.m. EDT – THE VICE PRESIDENT will arrive at LaGuardia International Airport

12:00 p.m. EDT – THE VICE PRESIDENT will deliver remarks at the National Action Network (NAN) National Convention

2:20 p.m. EDT – THE VICE PRESIDENT will depart from LaGuardia International Airport en route to Los Angeles International Airport, California

5:30 p.m. EDT – THE VICE PRESIDENT will arrive at Los Angeles International Airport

**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, April 13, 2023

Note: All colored text denotes hyperlinks.

The White House

- [Readout](#) of President Joe Biden's Meeting with President Michael Higgins of Ireland
- [Readout](#) of President Joe Biden's Meeting with Leo Varadkar, the Taoiseach of Ireland
- [Remarks](#) by President Biden and Taoiseach Leo Varadkar of the Republic of Ireland Before Bilateral Meeting
- [Remarks](#) by President Biden at Banquet Dinner | Dublin, Republic of Ireland
- [Remarks](#) by President Biden to the Houses of the Oireachtas | Dublin, Republic of Ireland
- [Remarks](#) by President Biden After Tree Planting and Ringing of the Peace Bell | Dublin, Republic of Ireland
- [Remarks](#) by President Biden During Guestbook Signing | Dublin, Republic of Ireland
- [Transcript](#): Press Gaggle by Press Secretary Karine Jean-Pierre and NSC Senior Director for Europe Amanda Sloat on the President's Trip to Ireland

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- [Statement](#) from Press Secretary Karine Jean-Pierre on the March Producer Price Index
 - [Appointments](#): President Biden Announces Key Appointments to Boards and Commissions
 - [Remarks](#) by Vice President Harris Welcoming the Wounded Warrior Project Soldier Ride | The White House
 - [Statement](#) from Vice President Harris on Fifth Circuit's Decision in Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine v. FDA
 - [Statement](#) from Press Secretary Karine Jean-Pierre on the Passage of Florida's Abortion Ban
 - [Readout](#) of White House State Legislative Convening on Maternal Health
 - [Fact Sheet](#): President Biden Announces Plan to Expand Health Coverage to DACA Recipients
 - [Fact Sheet](#): Biden-Harris Administration Announces New Investments Repairing Bridges Across America
 - [Joint Statement](#) from Mexico and the United States on the Implementation of the U.S.-Mexico Bicentennial Framework for Security, Public Health, and Safe Communities

Office of Management & Budget (OMB)

- [Blog](#): Measuring What Matters | Organizational Health and Performance

Department of Defense (DOD)

- [Press Release](#): Secretary of Defense Commends Actions Taken by the Department of Justice and Federal Bureau of Investigation
- [Transcript](#): Pentagon Press Secretary Air Force Brig. Gen. Pat Ryder Holds a Press Briefing
- [Article](#): DOD Calls Document Leak 'a Criminal Act'
- [Publication](#): Department of Defense Guidance on Safeguarding Responsibilities Regarding Classified Information
- [Readout](#) of Secretary of Defense Lloyd J. Austin III's Meeting with Latvia Minister of Defence In?ra M?rniece
- [Remarks](#) by Secretary of Defense Lloyd J. Austin III Welcoming Latvian Defense Minister In?ra M?rniece to the Pentagon
- [Article](#): Austin Says Latvia Is a Valued NATO Partner

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- [Readout](#) of Under Secretary of Defense for Policy Dr. Colin Kahl's Meeting with Zukan Helez, Defense Minister of Bosnia and Herzegovina
 - [Readout](#) of Under Secretary of Defense for Policy Dr. Colin Kahl's Meeting with Israeli Ministry of Defense Director General Eyal Zamir
 - [Readout](#) of 18th Annual U.S.-Colombia Defense Bilateral Working Group
 - [Contracts](#) for April 13, 2023

Department of State

U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken is on travel to Ireland, Vietnam, and Japan, from April 11-18.

[Daily Schedule](#) | Friday, April 14, 2023

Energy Transition Program

- April 13: [Statement](#) | The U.S. Department of State and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Launch a Call for Concept Proposals for the Blended Finance for the Energy Transition Program

Asia-Pacific

- April 13: [Statement](#) | Mark Swidan's Suspended Death Sentence (PRC)
- April 13: [Fact Sheet](#) | U.S.–Vietnam Relationship: Celebrating 10 Years of Comprehensive Partnership and 28 Years of Diplomatic Relations
- April 13: [Advisory](#) | Counselor Chollet's Travel to Singapore and the Republic of Korea
- April 13: [Advisory](#) | Special Presidential Envoy for Climate Kerry's Travel to Japan

Middle East

- April 13: [Statement](#) | Bahrain and Qatar Restore Diplomatic Ties

NATO

- April 13: [Advisory](#) | 18th Annual NATO Conference on Arms Control, Disarmament and Weapons of Mass Destruction Non-Proliferation, April 17-20 in Washington, D.C.

U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)

- [Readout](#) : Administrator Samantha Power Meets with United Kingdom's Minister of State

for Development and Africa in the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office Andrew Mitchell

- [Press Release](#): The United States and Ireland- A Partnership in Combating Global Hunger and Supporting Shared International Development Priorities
- [Press Release](#): USAID and Irish Aid Announce New Funding to Combat Food Insecurity in sub-Saharan Africa
- [Readout](#): Deputy Administrator Isobel Coleman Meets with EU Director-General NEAR Gert-Jan Koopman

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

- [Statement](#) by Ambassador Linda Thomas-Greenfield on the Burma Regime Airstrike
- [Fact Sheet](#): U.S. Successful Negotiation in the UN General Assembly Fifth Committee – First Resumed Session 2023
- [Remarks](#) at a UN Security Council Briefing on Colombia

Department of the Treasury

- [Remarks](#) by Secretary of the Treasury Janet L. Yellen After Meeting with Prime Minister of Ukraine Denys Shmyhal
- [Remarks](#) by Secretary of the Treasury Janet L. Yellen at Millennium Challenge Corporation Indonesia Compact Signing Ceremony
- [Readout](#): Secretary of the Treasury Janet L. Yellen's Meeting with Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Economy and Finance of the Republic of Korea Choo Kyung-ho
- [Remarks](#) by Secretary of the Treasury Janet L. Yellen at Dinner with Latin American and Caribbean Finance Ministers
- [Joint Readout](#): US-EU -UK Sanctions Evasion Meeting with Private Sector Participants
- [Press Release](#): Treasury Department Announces Over \$520 Million to be Reallocated to Prevent Eviction
- [Press Release](#): Treasury Department Announces Approval of Federal Funding to Connect 127,000 California Homes and Businesses to Affordable, High-Speed Internet as Part of President Biden's Investing in America Agenda

Department of Justice

- [Speech](#): Attorney General Merrick B. Garland Delivers Statement on Classified National Defense Information
- [Statement](#) from Attorney General Merrick B. Garland on Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine v. FDA Appeals Decision
- [Readout](#) of Attorney General Merrick B. Garland and Deputy Attorney General Lisa O. Monaco Meeting with Security Cabinet of the Government of Mexico
- [Readout](#) of Director Rachel Rossi of the Office for Access to Justice's Participation in the 2023 American Bar Association Public Defense Summit
- [Press Release](#): Man Pleads Guilty to Making Threats to Maricopa County Election Official and to Official with Office of Arizona Attorney General
- [Press Release](#): Adobe Inc. Agrees to Pay \$3 Million to Settle Kickback Allegations Involving Federal Software Sales
- [Press Release](#): Fort Myers Roofing Contractors Plead Guilty to Tax Evasion

Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/ Customs and Border Protection (CBP)/ Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)

- [Statement](#) from Secretary Mayorkas on President Biden's Plan to Expand Health Coverage for DACA Recipients
- [CBP Press Release](#): Del Rio Sector agents arrest MS-13 gang member, sex offender (Texas)
- [CBP Press Release](#): RGV Border Patrol assists migrant in medical distress (Texas)
- [CISA Press Release](#): U.S. and International Partners Publish Secure-by-Design and -Default Principles and Approaches
- [CISA Blog](#): SAFECOM and NCSWIC Develop Considerations for Cyber Disruptions in an Evolving 911 Environment
- [CISA Blog](#): Celebrating Telecommunicators Series: Collaborating Across Federal, State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Agencies

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

- [Link](#) to daily press releases

Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR)

- [Advisory](#): Ambassador Katherine Tai to Travel to Republic of the Philippines and Japan
- [Remarks](#) by Ambassador Sarah Bianchi at the Center on Inclusive Trade and Development's Rethinking World Trade 2023 Conference

Department of Commerce

- [Readout](#) of Secretary Raimondo's Meeting with OECD Secretary General Mathias Cormann
- [Readout](#) of Secretary Raimondo's Meeting with Dutch Minister for Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation Liesje Schreinemacher
- [Readout](#) of Secretary Raimondo's Meeting with Italian Minister of Economy and Finance Giancarlo Giorgetti
- [Readout](#) of Secretary Raimondo's Meeting with Indonesia's Coordinating Minister for Maritime and Investment Affairs Luhut Pandjaitan

Federal Trade Commission (FTC)

- [Press Release](#): FTC Extends Comment Period for Request for Information Related to Franchise Agreements and Business Practices Until June 8
- [Press Release](#): FTC Warns Almost 700 Marketing Companies That They Could Face Civil Penalties if They Can't Back Up Their Product Claims

Federal Communications Commission (FCC)

- [Press Release](#): FCC To Hold Open Commission Meeting Thursday, April 20, 2023
- [Press Release](#): Erratum for the PN DA 23-296 WAC Recommendations in Appendix A
- [Press Release](#): FCC Extends Intergovernmental Advisory Committee Nominations Deadline

U.S. International Development Finance Corporation (DFC)

- [Press Release](#): Building on the Transatlantic Partnership | DFC and European Investment Bank (EIB) Sign Agreement to Collaborate on Investment for Development

Department of Agriculture (USDA)

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- [Fact Sheet](#): USDA Continues Partner Engagement to Mitigate Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza for 2023 Season | **April 14, 2023**
 - [Press Release](#): USDA Announces Approval of D-SNAP for Mississippi Disaster Areas
 - [Press Release](#): USDA Announces Approval of D-SNAP for California Disaster Areas

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)

- [Press Release](#): FERC Staff issues Agenda and Registration for 2023 New England Winter Gas-Electric Forum
- [Press Release](#): Sunshine Notice | April Commission Meeting

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

- [Press Release](#): EPA Publishes 30th Annual U.S. Greenhouse Gas Inventory
- [Press Release](#): EPA Takes Important Step to Advance PFAS Strategic Roadmap, Requests Public Input and Data to Inform Potential Future Regulations under CERCLA
- [Press Release](#): Biden-Harris Administration Announces \$177 Million for 17 New Technical Assistance Centers Across the Nation to Help Communities Access Historic Investments to Advance Environmental Justice
- [Press Release](#): Biden-Harris Administration Selects WE ACT to Serve as New Technical Assistance Center to Help Communities Across Region 2 Access Historic Investments to Advance Environmental Justice
- [Press Release](#): EPA Awards Nearly \$1.5M in Research Grants to Reduce U.S. Household Food Waste
- [Link](#) to other EPA press releases

Department of Transportation

- [Press Release](#): Biden-Harris Administration Announces Nearly \$300 Million for Nine Bridge Projects as Part of Investing in America Agenda

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)

- [Press Release](#): FAA Refers More Unruly Passenger Cases to FBI in 2023
- [Press Release](#): FAA Takes Steps to Optimize, Provide Equitable Access to In-Demand Airspace Near Launch Sites

Department of Labor

- [Press Release](#): Unemployment Insurance Weekly Claims Report
- [Press Release](#): Federal safety investigators find Alabama paper mill willfully bypassed safety regulations, leading to fatal electrocution of 36-year-old worker
- [Press Release](#): U.S. Department of Labor effort to protect U.S., temporary workers' rights in Midwest under H-2B guest visa program continues
- [Press Release](#): U.S. Department of Labor, industry partners to promote road construction worker safety during 2023 National Work Zone Awareness Week
- [Press Release](#): U.S. Department of Labor awards initial \$7.4M grant to support disaster-related jobs, other assistance to California in wake of severe winter storms
- [Press Release](#): U.S. Department of Labor, WeCount! align to educate vulnerable agricultural, construction, domestic workers in South Florida on workplace safety, health
- [Press Release](#): 'Danger Vu': Federal inspection again finds Dollar General exits, walkways blocked, boxes stacked unsafely, workers at risk in Texas, Wisconsin

Health & Human Services (HHS)

- [Statement](#) from HHS Secretary Xavier Becerra on CMS Submission of Proposed Rule that Would Expand Access to Coverage for DACA Recipients
- [Statement](#) from HHS Secretary Xavier Becerra on Biden-Harris Administration Seeking a Stay in *Braidwood v. Becerra*
- [Press Release](#): HHS Celebrates Black Maternal Health Week 2023

Housing & Urban Development (HUD)

- [Readout](#): Secretary Marcia L. Fudge Convenes First-Ever U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Tribal Intergovernmental Advisory Committee Meeting | **April 14, 2023**
- [Press Release](#): HUD Announces the Availability of \$30.3 Billion for Housing Authorities to Provide Affordable Housing
- [Press Release](#): Federal Housing Administration Seeks Feedback on Proposed Changes to Increase Access to Affordable Financing for Properties with Accessory Dwelling Units

Government Accountability Office (GAO)

- [Report](#): Fraud Risk Management | Key Areas for Federal Agency and Congressional Action
- [Report](#): Electric Vehicle Infrastructure | USPS Should Plan for Potential Workplace Charging
- [Report](#): Disaster Contracting | Action Needed to Improve Agencies' Use of Contracts for Wildfire Response and Recovery
- [Report](#): School Meal Programs | USDA Could Enhance Implementation of the Buy American Provision

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