

U.S. Executive Branch Update – May 31, 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*

10:00 a.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT receives the Presidential Daily Briefing

12:00 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT meets with leaders of his federal emergency preparedness and response team to receive the annual briefing on extreme weather preparedness | Roosevelt Room

4:15 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT departs the White House en route to Joint Base Andrews

4:35 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT departs Joint Base Andrews en route to Colorado Springs, Colorado

7:40 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT arrives in Colorado Springs, Colorado (5:40 PM Local) | Peterson Space Force Base, Colorado Springs, CO

VPOTUS' Schedule*

The Vice President is in Washington, D.C., and has no public events scheduled.

White House Press Briefing*

1:30 p.m. EDT – Press Briefing by Press Secretary Karine Jean-Pierre and NSC Coordinator for Strategic Communications John Kirby | 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 Tuesday, May 30, 2023

Note: All colored text denotes hyperlinks.

The White House

- [Statement](#) by NSC Spokesperson Adam Hodge on the Democratic People's Republic of Korea's Space Launch
- [Transcript](#): Press Briefing by Press Secretary Karine Jean-Pierre and Office of Management and Budget Director Shalanda Young
- [Nominations and Withdrawals](#) Sent to the Senate
- [Press Release](#): February 2023 Visitor Log Records Posted
- [Statement](#) from White House Press Secretary Karine Jean-Pierre on the Visit of Prime Minister Rishi Sunak of the United Kingdom (June 8)

Office of Management & Budget (OMB)

- [Statement of Administration Policy](#): H.R. 3746 – Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2023 (May 30, 2023) (1 Page(s), 180 KB)

Department of Defense (DOD)

- [Advisory](#): Secretary of Defense Lloyd J. Austin III's Seventh Visit to the Indo-Pacific Region
- [Fact Sheet](#): Secretary Austin's Seventh Trip to the Indo-Pacific Region
- [Publication](#): Message to the Force – Commitment to a Safe Summer
- [Contracts](#) for May 30, 2023

Department of State

[Daily Schedule](#) | Wednesday, May 31, 2023

Europe

- May 30: [Remarks](#) | Secretary Antony J. Blinken and Swedish Prime Minister Ulf Kristersson at a Joint Press Availability
- May 30: [Remarks](#) | Secretary Antony J. Blinken Following Tour of HYBRIT Steel Plant | Sweden
- May 30: [Advisory](#) | Secretary Blinken to Deliver Speech at Helsinki City Hall
- May 30: [Statement](#) | Condemning Violence Against KFOR and Escalatory Actions in Northern Kosovo

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- May 30: [Statement](#) | Croatia Statehood Day

Western Asia

- May 30: [Readout](#) | Secretary Blinken's Call with Turkish Foreign Minister Cavusoglu

Caucasus

- May 30: [Statement](#) | Continued Peace Talks Between Armenia and Azerbaijan
- May 30: [Advisory](#) | Assistant Secretary Pyatt's Travel to Azerbaijan

Africa

- May 30: [Readout](#) | Deputy Secretary Verma's Meeting with Mauritian President Roopun
- May 30: [Readout](#) | Deputy Secretary Verma's Meeting with Mauritian Prime Minister Jugnauth
- May 30: [Readout](#) | Deputy Secretary Verma's Meeting with Mauritian Leader of the Opposition Duval
- May 30: [Statement](#) | Department of State Celebrates Groundbreaking of New U.S. Embassy in Port Louis, Mauritius
- May 30: [Advisory](#) | Special Envoy for the Horn of Africa Hammer Travels to Djibouti and Ethiopia

Asia-Pacific

- May 30: [Fact Sheet](#) | U.S. Relationship with the Indian Ocean Rim Association and Commitment to the Indian Ocean Region
- May 30: [Readout](#) | Deputy Secretary Verma's Meeting with IORA Secretary General Al Farisi

Middle East

- May 30: [Statement](#) | Imposing Sanctions on Syrian Financial Facilitators

Space

- May 30: [Statement](#) | Kingdom of Spain Signs the Artemis Accords

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- May 30: [Statement](#) | United States Leads in Space with Diplomacy

Fentanyl

- May 30: [Statement](#) | Sanctioning PRC and Mexico Based Individuals and Entities for Enabling Illicit Drug Production

U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)

- [Press Release](#): U.S. Urges Uganda to Reconsider Dangerous Law Targeting LGBTQI+ that Jeopardizes Assistance

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

- [Remarks](#) by Ambassador Linda Thomas-Greenfield at a UN Security Council Briefing on Nuclear Safety and Security at the Zaporizhzhya Nuclear Power Plant
- [Readout](#) of Ambassador Linda Thomas-Greenfield's Meeting with IAEA Director-General Rafael Grossi
- [Remarks](#) by Ambassador Linda Thomas-Greenfield at the 2nd Session of the UN Permanent Forum on People of African Descent
- [Remarks](#) by Ambassador Linda Thomas-Greenfield at a UN Security Council Briefing on the Political and Humanitarian Situations in Syria

Department of the Treasury

- [Press Release](#): U.S. Departments of Treasury and Energy Release Additional Guidance on Inflation Reduction Act Programs to Incentivize Manufacturing and Clean Energy Investments in Hard-Hit Coal Communities
- [Press Release](#): Treasury Department Announces Approval of Federal Funds to Connect Over 47,300 Mississippi Homes and Businesses to Affordable, High-Speed Internet as Part of President Biden's Investing in America Agenda
- [Sanctions](#): Treasury Sanctions China- and Mexico-Based Enablers of Counterfeit, Fentanyl-Laced Pill Production
- [Sanctions](#): Treasury Sanctions Syrian Financial Facilitators Under the Caesar Syrian Civilian Protection Act

Securities & Exchange Commission (SEC)

- [Press Release](#): Former Wells Fargo Senior Executive Carrie Tolstedt Agrees to Settle SEC

Fraud Charges for Misleading Investors About Abusive Sales Practices to Inflate a Key Performance Metric

- [Press Release](#): Former Coinbase Manager and His Brother Agree to Settle Insider Trading Charges Relating to Crypto Asset Securities

Department of Justice (DOJ)

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

- [Press Release](#): Justice Department Highlights Initiatives to Prevent and Address Gender-Based Violence
- [Speech](#): Director Allison Randall of the Office on Violence Against Women Delivers Remarks at the Launch of the National Plan to End Gender-Based Violence Federal Interagency Roundtable
- [Press Release](#): Bodybuilding Coach Arrested for Child Exploitation
- [Press Release](#): Kansas Man Indicted for Using Guns, Death Threats and Racial Slurs to Intimidate Black People

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

- [Statement](#) from Secretary Mayorkas on the Retirement of U.S. Border Patrol Chief Raul L. Ortiz
- [DHS Press Release](#): DHS Improves Customer Experience by Simplifying Services Used by the Public
- [CBP Press Release](#): CBP officers seize \$1.7 million in cocaine at Hidalgo International Bridge (Texas)
- [CBP Press Release](#): CBP, IBWC set to temporarily close the Amistad Dam Port of Entry (Texas)
- [CBP Press Release](#): Emily Loreda named Laredo Sector Border Patrol Youth of the Year for 2022 – 2023 (Texas)
- [CBP Press Release](#): San Diego Field Office seizes \$7.8 million worth of narcotics (California)

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

- [Link](#) to daily press releases

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

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- [Readout](#) of Ambassador Katherine Tai's Meeting with Sweden's Minister for International Development Cooperation and Foreign Trade Johan Forssell
 - [Press Release](#): Week Ahead Guidance for the Week of May 30, 2023 – June 2, 2023

Department of Commerce (DOC)

- [Blog](#): Three Takeaways from Version 2 of the FCC's National Broadband Map

Federal Trade Commission (FTC)

- [Press Release](#): FTC Approves Final Order Requiring Mastercard to Stop Blocking the Use of Competing Debit Payment Networks

Federal Communications Commission (FCC)

- [Press Release](#): FCC Proposes \$1.4 Million Fine for Apparent USF Fee Violations
- [Press Release](#): FCC Seeks Nominations for Rechartered Diversity Advisory Committee

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

- [Press Release](#): EPA Awards Tetra Tech \$65 Million Contract to Support Cleanups of Navajo Abandoned Uranium Mines
- [Press Release](#): Biden-Harris Administration Announces Availability of \$12 Million Through Investing in America Agenda for Brownfields Job Training Grants
- [Link](#) to other EPA press releases

Department of Transportation (DOT)

- [Joint Communiqué](#) by the U.S. Department of Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg and the European Commissioner for Transport, Adina Vălean on transatlantic cooperation

Department of Labor (DOL)

- [Press Release](#): U.S. Department of Labor identifies more than 170 child labor violations by operators of six Reno-area Sonic Drive-In franchise locations
- [Press Release](#): U.S. Department of Labor finds fire, electrical, other hazards in inspections at two southeast Oklahoma Dollar General stores putting workers at risk

Health & Human Services (HHS)

- [Press Release](#): Biden-Harris Administration Hosts Historic Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Federal Employee Leadership Development Conference

Food & Drug Administration (FDA)

- [Press Release](#): FDA Proposes New, Easy-to-Read Medication Guide for Patients, Patient Medication Information

General Services Administration (GSA)

- [Press Release](#): GSA Launches Podcast

Government Accountability Office (GAO)

- [Report](#): F-35 Joint Strike Fighter | More Actions Needed to Explain Cost Growth and Support Engine Modernization Decision
- [Report](#): Priority Open Recommendations | Department of Veterans Affairs
- [Report](#): Priority Open Recommendations | Office of Management and Budget

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