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<b>Africa</b>										
Algeria	5,855	6,897	6,176	6,081	6,878	6,597	6,454	6,685	7,069	3,694
Angola	927	1,148	1,292	2,119	2,401	2,222	2,843	3,529	3,565	2,545
Benin	960	1,003	1,104	1,046	1,115	1,100	1,433	1,481	1,336	855
Botswana	844	955	828	887	850	1,238	1,153	1,387	1,322	1,191
Burkina Faso	736	789	868	1,185	1,196	1,379	1,353	1,355	1,952	1,507
Burundi	528	592	540	498	461	431	506	671	901	832
Cameroon	2,950	3,278	2,408	2,876	2,970	3,303	5,106	5,403	6,891	7,476
Cape Verde	1,563	2,423	2,131	2,084	4,262	2,885	2,909	3,321	5,986	3,295
Central African Republic	256	266	265	266	210	210	232	344	468	434
Chad	403	414	292	327	499	716	591	596	620	628
Comoros	88	40	74	74	51	47	43	71	112	67
Congo, Republic of the	720	725	908	1,222	611	652	791	866	1,093	736
Congo, Democratic Republic of the	2,330	2,700	2,970	4,124	3,175	2,804	2,566	3,229	4,312	2,783
Cote d'Ivoire	3,957	4,619	5,109	4,831	4,756	4,627	4,393	3,991	4,702	3,661
Djibouti	339	512	325	434	398	908	569	715	510	184
Egypt	32,759	33,271	33,850	37,898	40,696	41,717	43,486	48,883	50,138	20,397
Equatorial Guinea	86	93	74	162	164	160	234	316	362	428
Eritrea <sup>1</sup>	113	697	1,202	1,354	1,343	1,227	1,963	1,694	1,704	1,693
Ethiopia	8,000	6,026	7,841	5,979	5,297	5,912	6,702	7,185	7,132	5,859
Gabon	1,006	913	1,174	1,231	1,161	1,155	1,282	1,323	1,308	1,128
Gambia	2,117	2,018	2,790	2,055	1,586	1,646	2,012	2,835	2,934	4,119
Ghana	6,840	7,713	9,166	13,680	11,593	13,291	18,690	18,482	19,995	19,061
Guinea	2,533	2,521	3,194	3,170	3,834	5,992	3,456	3,885	5,058	4,362
Guinea-Bissau	200	222	228	288	251	185	153	266	260	157
Kenya	5,609	6,429	7,957	8,753	9,628	10,646	11,483	12,971	20,971	14,204
Lesotho	323	258	312	294	210	309	248	323	221	266
Liberia	1,651	2,349	1,866	1,332	2,056	2,892	2,692	4,885	3,015	1,896
Libya	424	499	461	450	411	370	436	445	500	289
Madagascar	693	991	759	812	796	914	1,097	1,156	1,136	944
Malawi	516	672	707	889	891	948	1,101	1,396	1,290	1,142
Mali	1,734	1,964	2,010	2,482	2,999	3,329	3,098	5,433	6,048	4,377
Mauritania	463	462	569	670	687	775	1,051	1,436	1,588	831
Mauritius	1,717	2,203	1,998	1,697	1,777	1,756	1,818	1,898	1,818	1,369

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<b>Africa—Continued</b>										
Morocco	11,748	14,221	14,059	16,713	16,443	18,965	20,991	19,813	18,958	11,484
Mozambique	564	555	629	694	743	854	921	1,116	1,084	1,063
Namibia	489	692	708	802	693	764	902	957	875	747
Niger	511	512	615	695	706	847	1,240	1,510	1,600	1,117
Nigeria	20,160	20,074	18,834	21,896	25,077	26,966	28,208	27,294	42,222	42,575
Rwanda	442	243	237	515	705	1,192	1,237	1,424	980	800
Sao Tome and Principe	80	41	58	73	47	102	85	97	82	92
Senegal	5,609	6,015	5,785	6,862	7,134	8,441	9,028	12,156	10,265	5,301
Seychelles	219	245	227	393	209	247	266	279	256	229
Sierra Leone	1,572	1,636	1,703	2,418	2,056	1,462	1,301	1,750	1,910	1,415
Somalia	1,706	1,011	861	586	619	783	892	995	989	284
South Africa	60,200	57,288	60,536	65,159	72,221	73,354	68,685	71,605	66,541	49,805
Sudan	3,527	3,214	3,691	3,219	3,362	3,207	3,778	4,598	4,930	2,188
Swaziland	413	359	342	416	311	289	298	455	367	304
Tanzania	2,982	2,891	2,842	2,907	3,391	3,564	5,265	5,719	6,414	4,245
Togo	856	1,108	1,395	1,270	1,063	1,228	1,140	1,559	2,773	1,955
Tunisia	4,250	4,096	4,459	5,550	7,630	8,080	9,830	11,905	6,759	2,096
Uganda	1,876	2,165	1,811	2,372	2,510	3,188	4,333	4,627	4,239	3,422
Zambia	1,892	1,877	1,868	1,986	2,045	2,261	2,864	3,312	5,012	3,149
Zimbabwe	3,159	3,849	4,015	4,273	5,032	5,934	6,518	7,941	6,362	4,660
<b>Africa Total</b>	<b>211,495</b>	<b>217,754</b>	<b>226,123</b>	<b>250,049</b>	<b>267,210</b>	<b>284,071</b>	<b>299,726</b>	<b>327,568</b>	<b>348,935</b>	<b>249,341</b>
<b>Asia</b>										
Afghanistan	2,541	2,561	2,472	2,564	2,285	2,164	2,217	1,991	1,988	1,121
Bahrain	3,222	3,944	4,005	3,831	2,948	2,694	2,502	2,815	2,826	1,193
Bangladesh	16,889	17,582	17,860	18,366	12,688	14,154	16,119	17,013	18,731	10,407
Bhutan	125	101	120	191	224	242	329	335	407	369
Brunei	585	341	346	339	397	205	142	210	154	178
Burma	2,309	2,873	3,168	3,364	3,452	4,083	4,386	5,431	4,505	2,994
Cambodia	833	1,099	2,020	1,838	3,050	676	895	2,550	4,439	3,371
China (mainland)	176,859	160,070	202,242	229,879	250,503	255,114	252,673	315,536	345,748	288,100

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<b>Asia—Continued</b>										
(Taiwan)	269,345	293,681	359,501	379,355	344,901	263,967	269,802	279,153	242,547	184,827
East Timor <sup>2</sup>								16	29	46
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region <sup>3</sup>					5,194	35,766	24,374	25,857	30,764	22,676
India	121,869	127,780	152,904	198,831	249,715	295,220	331,784	396,853	416,559	332,546
Indonesia	55,765	68,768	80,748	76,282	78,213	38,837	50,835	70,299	68,736	36,395
Iran	34,680	30,956	29,039	25,631	21,164	23,296	23,362	24,932	22,749	13,071
Iraq	3,173	2,972	2,785	2,462	2,467	2,378	2,395	2,993	3,546	2,086
Israel	92,281	101,215	113,687	124,010	129,580	128,338	129,303	143,297	147,745	108,892
Japan	119,102	113,655	106,050	109,045	116,093	117,712	112,944	111,140	112,062	101,433
Jordan	18,548	19,926	20,735	20,736	15,423	16,320	19,403	21,811	25,472	13,174
Korea, North	244	967	1,583	1,856	1,745	1,531	1,643	1,634	1,489	761
Korea, South	266,854	320,747	394,044	545,867	619,011	380,645	402,418	479,205	430,855	353,457
Kuwait	17,761	17,414	18,273	16,722	13,038	16,240	13,923	10,443	9,537	3,776
Laos	872	665	663	885	1,019	1,168	1,135	1,454	2,415	2,282
Lebanon	20,676	24,322	16,064	14,183	16,144	16,265	20,523	24,697	28,440	12,169
Macau Special Administrative Region <sup>4</sup>								1,341	1,611	930
Malaysia	42,297	47,808	58,126	67,770	67,941	37,147	42,892	52,173	53,191	27,452
Maldives	153	403	107	146	81	113	180	239	203	145
Mongolia	430	229	897	1,290	1,909	2,282	2,922	2,792	3,498	6,371
Nepal	2,615	2,632	3,288	4,755	5,709	7,008	5,969	6,652	7,539	7,708
Oman	2,278	2,617	2,937	2,848	2,442	2,760	2,996	2,949	2,968	1,522
Pakistan	43,971	45,372	50,873	39,753	48,695	44,574	49,769	88,791	75,512	29,613
Palestinian Authority Travel Document			156	2,470	3,159	3,172	3,398	3,734	4,700	1,737
Philippines	156,228	157,161	173,592	163,287	145,043	151,182	146,603	169,408	195,328	180,844
Qatar	2,797	2,889	3,033	2,558	2,784	2,866	2,550	2,917	2,625	860
Saudi Arabia	53,430	54,345	50,129	48,255	51,443	51,067	56,495	60,508	46,636	14,126
Singapore	37,629	42,250	55,289	61,397	63,159	50,379	35,423	7,475	7,991	7,423
Sri Lanka	8,669	8,655	9,427	9,038	8,778	10,707	11,687	12,756	10,499	6,304
Syria	11,664	12,107	10,847	10,886	9,914	10,423	12,416	14,344	13,502	6,679
Thailand	53,932	63,180	72,939	74,287	66,674	33,371	47,041	61,300	59,127	43,415
United Arab Emirates	8,367	9,880	10,997	12,754	10,741	11,310	11,365	12,000	11,505	1,906

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<b>Asia—Continued</b>										
Vietnam	5,199	4,984	7,295	8,456	8,539	8,963	8,839	13,339	20,446	21,409
Yemen	3,154	2,624	3,843	3,403	3,419	3,287	3,665	4,076	3,083	1,177
<b>Asia Total</b>	<b>1,657,346</b>	<b>1,768,775</b>	<b>2,042,084</b>	<b>2,289,590</b>	<b>2,389,684</b>	<b>2,047,626</b>	<b>2,127,317</b>	<b>2,456,459</b>	<b>2,441,707</b>	<b>1,854,945</b>
<b>Europe</b>										
Albania	2,484	2,415	3,683	4,462	2,616	3,933	4,912	7,245	7,661	6,194
Andorra	29	29	40	46	21	24	25	24	11	32
Armenia	3,040	4,503	6,658	4,534	5,397	5,673	12,271	12,488	11,125	7,144
Austria	6,906	6,948	9,130	8,793	8,203	7,832	8,205	7,772	7,333	6,343
Azerbaijan	452	1,145	1,825	1,498	1,482	1,776	2,330	2,582	2,469	2,069
Belarus	971	4,038	5,544	5,069	5,643	6,167	8,583	8,867	8,166	8,676
Belgium	8,007	6,499	6,531	6,657	6,236	6,730	6,443	6,958	6,059	6,128
Bosnia-Herzegovina	529	914	1,160	2,190	2,893	3,505	6,005	8,414	8,805	6,248
Bulgaria	12,385	13,702	12,510	13,967	12,957	16,262	18,558	19,401	22,763	21,730
Croatia	12,328	15,479	17,514	17,914	17,303	18,662	20,165	21,197	20,340	15,359
Cyprus	4,798	5,255	6,104	6,616	6,872	6,920	7,180	7,307	6,383	4,557
Czechoslovakia <sup>5</sup>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Czech Republic <sup>5</sup>	33,112	32,183	41,155	45,021	46,676	49,031	44,457	42,932	40,541	30,252
Denmark	17,124	18,862	21,221	15,022	10,830	10,316	10,111	9,569	8,667	7,468
Estonia	2,687	3,213	4,244	4,569	5,214	5,206	6,278	6,444	6,150	5,653
Finland	6,285	6,324	6,538	6,738	5,585	5,977	6,141	5,776	5,648	5,226
France	36,243	34,767	36,966	42,865	37,730	39,931	41,872	45,188	47,323	38,105
Georgia	522	2,279	2,649	3,398	3,615	5,815	7,587	4,149	4,062	4,288
Germany	78,937	64,855	77,102	76,303	72,868	72,488	74,756	74,915	72,567	62,632
Great Britain and Northern Ireland	203,334	200,164	218,664	221,628	243,921	175,882	155,011	163,150	158,112	114,976
Greece	47,452	49,460	48,723	47,056	45,609	41,622	42,281	43,567	40,183	28,851
Hungary	35,536	37,039	40,389	46,660	44,051	40,435	40,975	42,908	32,982	20,378
Iceland	3,103	2,834	2,800	2,972	2,111	2,485	1,944	1,833	1,899	1,506
Ireland	82,606	92,337	45,932	14,514	14,573	16,846	18,811	20,407	21,074	16,561
Italy	21,638	22,432	25,436	24,086	21,665	22,036	22,946	22,648	20,606	18,949
Kazakhstan	2,244	4,493	5,351	5,913	3,805	4,686	4,515	5,161	5,368	5,193

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<b>Europe—Continued</b>										
Kyrgyzstan	370	906	1,110	1,290	1,446	1,683	1,605	1,825	1,704	1,808
Latvia	2,424	3,360	4,143	4,816	4,848	5,399	6,090	7,144	7,556	6,995
Liechtenstein	72	83	59	75	88	82	79	88	71	60
Lithuania	3,578	5,196	6,637	7,765	6,954	6,987	6,924	14,193	20,466	12,968
Luxembourg	699	776	631	506	413	381	429	393	363	278
Macedonia, The Former Yugoslav Republic of <sup>6</sup>		905	2,982	4,786	4,482	4,961	5,287	4,966	6,340	5,659
Malta	3,394	3,473	3,813	5,115	5,184	4,885	5,114	5,156	4,348	2,617
Moldova	381	1,010	1,698	1,900	1,586	1,815	2,159	2,885	2,365	2,518
Monaco	21	17	32	24	26	27	15	35	20	23
Netherlands	35,066	23,331	25,079	23,020	16,773	17,576	16,829	17,682	16,452	15,389
Norway	9,101	10,033	11,212	10,281	8,546	8,581	8,135	8,311	7,721	7,917
Poland	67,590	62,906	67,543	85,828	88,277	89,748	103,177	110,471	105,365	103,161
Portugal	53,839	48,127	47,539	48,134	47,711	45,619	42,872	5,576	4,685	4,758
Romania	16,873	20,570	21,969	28,984	24,744	26,193	25,298	27,213	33,662	30,033
Russia	109,486	118,094	135,226	141,627	126,222	137,960	106,126	99,051	97,638	91,390
San Marino	8	20	15	27	20	20	30	25	10	24
Slovakia <sup>5</sup>	10,493	14,683	14,628	16,920	15,157	14,851	14,604	16,746	19,662	19,314
Slovenia	5,916	7,352	9,559	9,883	10,792	1,609	1,227	1,212	1,270	1,358
Spain	28,692	25,447	26,389	23,303	19,721	19,507	21,326	21,961	21,594	18,619
Sweden	26,230	20,928	20,937	19,794	18,652	18,779	17,607	17,679	15,637	12,701
Switzerland	18,135	18,774	19,531	18,154	16,644	17,883	17,896	16,341	14,707	14,714
Tajikistan	31	491	517	587	409	241	456	469	511	534
Turkey	34,113	34,559	35,956	42,869	52,118	57,494	65,574	76,539	64,139	46,965
Turkmenistan	218	470	570	792	565	496	457	548	718	504
Ukraine	21,027	24,980	29,495	32,455	23,427	25,270	22,248	27,185	28,776	21,560
Uzbekistan	909	1,796	2,575	3,413	3,576	3,766	5,004	6,471	6,097	3,956
Vatican City	50	51	56	79	75	77	76	62	58	63
Yugoslavia <sup>7</sup>	21,209	17,750	17,789	18,747	18,832	16,984	12,898	14,167	16,807	17,674
<b>Europe Total</b>	<b>1,092,677</b>	<b>1,098,257</b>	<b>1,155,559</b>	<b>1,179,665</b>	<b>1,145,164</b>	<b>1,099,114</b>	<b>1,081,904</b>	<b>1,095,296</b>	<b>1,065,039</b>	<b>888,078</b>

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<b>North America</b>										
Antigua and Barbuda	3,654	2,520	2,195	2,177	3,304	3,144	4,150	3,462	2,813	2,962
Bahamas	13,874	14,914	33,270	15,796	16,168	17,782	24,987	18,010	17,354	14,317
Barbados	18,687	12,151	10,440	8,854	9,957	11,649	12,447	11,099	10,258	8,979
Belize	8,021	8,935	9,678	8,318	7,106	7,055	9,499	11,125	10,198	6,890
Canada	3,668	3,914	3,642	4,938	4,062	4,344	4,935	5,237	5,475	6,887
Costa Rica	52,348	56,826	55,624	49,632	50,732	56,032	54,387	57,594	47,076	38,530
Cuba	28,362	19,850	10,393	7,774	7,215	10,473	9,197	44,283	27,800	21,822
Dominica	2,810	1,804	1,876	1,761	2,472	3,062	4,226	2,817	2,002	1,419
Dominican Republic	62,529	82,580	85,138	72,054	58,919	61,940	69,371	50,171	52,738	49,038
El Salvador	52,406	33,573	34,696	35,349	39,112	56,644	67,590	73,054	96,748	58,012
Grenada	3,771	2,488	2,717	2,482	3,000	4,512	5,918	4,506	2,954	1,905
Guatemala	47,104	52,794	40,833	42,088	46,396	55,387	64,388	64,733	71,352	41,899
Haiti	16,970	26,125	36,916	22,488	16,355	20,551	26,565	27,609	25,623	22,297
Honduras	22,356	25,491	20,730	23,954	24,875	32,672	31,209	36,776	35,202	30,434
Jamaica	33,600	47,143	75,972	49,644	37,409	48,904	71,331	82,190	71,271	44,991
Mexico	591,836	659,843	664,049	508,431	548,716	741,501	1,108,588	1,762,402	2,220,330	1,582,674
Nicaragua	27,461	23,039	16,985	13,421	19,468	18,960	15,606	13,017	13,593	12,548
Panama	23,727	23,228	21,015	21,608	19,583	18,284	21,715	23,316	20,719	16,818
Saint Kitts and Nevis	2,713	1,633	1,631	1,496	1,586	1,742	2,770	2,135	1,779	1,344
Saint Lucia	4,513	3,056	2,850	3,395	4,801	5,746	7,919	6,827	3,570	2,856
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	3,486	3,293	3,631	2,740	2,817	3,337	4,695	3,721	2,850	2,415
Trinidad and Tobago	25,849	51,290	60,390	48,841	43,422	43,930	44,863	57,889	53,143	32,353
<b>North America Total</b>	<b>1,049,745</b>	<b>1,156,490</b>	<b>1,194,671</b>	<b>947,241</b>	<b>967,475</b>	<b>1,227,651</b>	<b>1,666,356</b>	<b>2,361,973</b>	<b>2,794,848</b>	<b>2,001,390</b>
<b>Oceania</b>										
Australia	254,243	250,542	265,308	268,667	26,973	28,044	30,576	31,145	32,472	29,133
Fiji	7,947	7,435	6,072	4,812	4,667	4,645	5,735	4,946	4,340	2,892
Kiribati	1,264	1,158	1,080	1,092	1,001	951	757	702	936	748
Marshall Islands	7	12	8	27	40	41	59	57	70	52
Micronesia, Federated States of	7	13	2	22	6	14	8	16	10	11
Nauru	116	201	58	76	55	61	70	272	121	38

**Table XVIII**  
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**(Including Border Crossing Cards)**  
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<b>Nationality</b>	<b>1993</b>	<b>1994</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>1998</b>	<b>1999</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>
<b>Oceania—Continued</b>										
New Zealand	15,544	15,699	17,221	11,261	8,774	8,435	9,265	9,895	11,088	9,022
Pacific Islands, Trust Territory of the <sup>8</sup>	560	336								
Palau <sup>8</sup>			13	13	29	6	2	13	19	16
Papua New Guinea	730	708	829	981	873	901	1,063	775	613	543
Samoa	2,323	2,576	1,629	1,239	1,594	1,601	1,679	2,030	2,638	2,163
Solomon Islands	95	143	132	65	93	124	143	88	108	103
Tonga	2,131	1,815	1,987	1,831	2,072	1,982	2,895	2,548	2,762	1,869
Tuvalu	504	375	237	242	164	172	227	175	217	283
Vanuatu	76	60	82	39	68	76	86	173	117	72
<b>Oceania Total</b>	<b>285,547</b>	<b>281,073</b>	<b>294,658</b>	<b>290,367</b>	<b>46,409</b>	<b>47,053</b>	<b>52,565</b>	<b>52,835</b>	<b>55,511</b>	<b>46,945</b>
<b>South America</b>										
Argentina	158,452	168,224	152,715	111,684	11,226	12,089	12,636	13,793	15,375	90,474
Bolivia	12,923	13,640	12,349	10,676	12,746	14,521	20,543	34,751	16,387	9,408
Brazil	305,557	339,239	528,038	635,770	575,041	496,683	313,034	261,096	240,609	129,605
Chile	55,205	50,628	63,798	58,438	55,696	55,464	55,311	66,451	64,395	46,144
Colombia	135,916	136,042	132,921	133,538	176,438	236,891	280,238	195,058	197,407	182,721
Ecuador	46,722	41,577	39,791	46,110	62,287	66,942	45,104	38,763	69,906	76,826
Guyana	6,739	8,512	11,334	13,028	9,201	8,392	7,194	5,891	12,508	12,821
Paraguay	7,379	7,301	9,202	8,307	7,400	7,329	7,471	7,500	7,339	5,202
Peru	79,098	98,015	49,433	54,510	56,017	55,059	61,792	81,782	107,768	67,807
Suriname	3,300	2,298	5,602	3,208	3,157	3,071	2,276	2,342	2,109	1,743
Uruguay	16,447	18,027	22,559	21,449	23,274	22,314	16,776	2,395	2,486	3,295
Venezuela	159,642	133,629	167,725	117,093	87,172	106,496	119,232	116,414	128,827	89,022
<b>South America Total</b>	<b>987,380</b>	<b>1,017,132</b>	<b>1,195,467</b>	<b>1,213,811</b>	<b>1,079,655</b>	<b>1,085,251</b>	<b>941,607</b>	<b>826,236</b>	<b>865,116</b>	<b>715,068</b>
No Nationality	75,302	71,293	73,101	67,040	46,377	23,225	22,851	21,023	17,383	13,478
UN Laissez Passer	128	179	159	107	87	162	152	246	239	192
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>5,359,620</b>	<b>5,610,953</b>	<b>6,181,822</b>	<b>6,237,870</b>	<b>5,942,061</b>	<b>5,814,153</b>	<b>6,192,478</b>	<b>7,141,636</b>	<b>7,588,778</b>	<b>5,769,437</b>

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**Note:** Applicants bearing passports of dependent areas are reported under the nationality of the governing country.

- <sup>1</sup> On April 27, 1993, the United States recognized the independence of Eritrea.
- <sup>2</sup> East Timor voted for independence from Indonesia in an August 30, 1999 referendum and was under the authority of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (UNTAET) until May 20, 2002. On May 20, 2002, East Timor became an independent nation; on that date, the United States Government established diplomatic relations with East Timor.
- <sup>3</sup> On December 19, 1984, the United Kingdom and China signed a joint declaration on the question of sovereignty over Hong Kong. Under that declaration, China resumed the exercise of sovereignty over Hong Kong on July 1, 1997. The Hong Kong Special Administrative Region government enjoys a high degree of political and economic autonomy.
- <sup>4</sup> The Government of Portugal signed an agreement with China on April 13, 1987 returning Macau to Chinese administration effective December 20, 1999. As of December 20, 1999, Macau was designated as the Special Administrative Region of Macau.
- <sup>5</sup> On January 1, 1993, the United States recognized the independence of the Czech Republic and Slovakia, separate states that had previously comprised Czechoslovakia.
- <sup>6</sup> On February 8, 1994, the United States recognized the independence of The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.
- <sup>7</sup> On November 17, 2000, the United States Government established diplomatic relations with the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, recognizing it as an independent state. The former practice of using Serbia and Montenegro for the name of this entity was discontinued.
- <sup>8</sup> On October 1, 1994, the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands (Palau) ended its status as a United Nations Trust Territory administered by the United States and became an independent state, in free association with the United States.