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Bush urges Americans to continue air travel

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CHICAGO (KRT) — Two jetliners stood nearly nose to nose, one "United" and the other "American," as President Bush sought to restore an air of security Thursday and urged Americans to "get on board, do your business around the country."

"We will not surrender our freedom to travel," the president told 6,000 airline workers at Chicago's O'Hare Airport 16 days after the terrorist attacks resulting in the deaths of more than 6,000 people. "We will not surrender our freedoms in America."

Halfway across the world, Afghanistan's Taliban leaders said they delivered a message to Osama bin Laden, alleged mastermind of the Sept. 11 attacks, advising him to voluntarily leave his Afghan hideaway.

Earlier this week, in response to U.S. demands for bin Laden's surrender, the Taliban said they could not find him. They did not say Thursday where he was or how he responded to the week-old recommendation by Afghan clerics.

Back in the United States, even as Bush attempted to inspire faith in the air travel system, a frightening reminder came of the crisis confronting airlines and the Americans who, until Sept. 11, patronized them in great numbers:

The Pentagon confirmed that two Air Force generals can issue orders to shoot down any jetliner that threatens U.S. cities. At the White House, spokesman Scott McClellan called it a "last resort" option.

"If the plane is nose down and threatens the safety and security of the American people — that is the type of situation we're talking about," McClellan said.

To diminish the ghastly possibility of such action, Bush said the federal government eventually will take control of airport security. Meanwhile, he asked governors to post National Guard troops in the nation's 420 commercial passenger airports.

Nearly 5,000 troops soon may be trained in security techniques by the Defense Department and the Federal Aviation Administration, said a White House official who requested anonymity. The federal government will pick up the cost, which could range to \$150 million, the official said.

As expected, Bush also announced other measures to enhance faith in the nation's vital air traffic system, including stronger cockpit doors and more weapons-carrying, plain-clothes sky marshals aboard planes.

"One of the great goals of this nation's war is to restore public confidence in the



A Worker Rights Consortium supporter awaits University President Dave Frohnmayer's controversial decision on joining the labor monitoring group at the University Senate meeting in April 2000.

Laboring for change

■ Anti-sweatshop sentiment is still strong among activists on campus

By Diane Huber
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Nike CEO Phil Knight's recent decision to donate money to the University ended a 17-month estrangement, reminding students of the conflict that initially destroyed his trust and caused his disappearance.

Many have not forgotten the famous Johnson Hall protest in April 2000, which pressured University President Dave Frohnmayer to sign on to the Worker Rights Consortium, a labor monitoring group that conflicted with Knight's interests.

Although students have not seen any tents pitched on the lawn of Johnson Hall lately, the anti-sweatshop movement hasn't completely lost its momentum on campus, according to students and faculty members involved in past protests. And nationwide, the movement is still going strong, WRC Executive Director Scott Nova said.

But student activist and Survival Center coordinator Randy Newnam said the movement and its focus have evolved since he participated in the protests outside Johnson Hall.

"A lot of us were discouraged and many of us have graduated and moved on," he said. "But I see many new faces and passionate peo-

Senator proposes visa policy changes

■ Diane Feinstein's controversial proposal would make it easier to track foreign exchange students

By John Liebhardt
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A proposal by Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., that calls for a six-month moratorium on international student visas has raised the ire of officials working with foreign exchange programs.

"It is bad public policy," said Kenneth Rogers, associate dean of international students at Indiana University. "A considerable number of tuition will be lost, and a lot of bright young scholars will be lost."

The six-point proposal by Feinstein follows a string of major legislation aimed at reducing the threat of terrorism after the attacks of Sept. 11. Feinstein calls for changes in the way the Immigration and Naturalization Service tracks the nation's 500,000 international students, including nearly 1,400 at the University.

The Senator's proposals include the

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Gas price increases in question

■ The Oregon Attorney General questions gas station owners about recent increases in prices

By Lindsay Buchele
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The Oregon Attorney General's office has received over 1,000 phone calls from angry drivers accusing gas dealers of outrageously raising prices in the wake of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, said Kristen Grainger, spokeswoman for Attorney General Hardy Myers.

"We've received reports of everything from gas prices rising to as much as \$4.25 a gallon to station owners claiming the government had issued a hold on 50 percent of gas in case of war," Grainger said. "If these accusations are true, then station owners are exploiting people's fear, and that is a direct violation of Oregon consumer laws."

Grainger said the Attorney Gener-

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