The Bureaucracy and the Cabinet
Executive Branch Notes
American Government

Bureaucracy

• A systematic __________________ that handles the __________________ __________________ of an organization

Bureaucrats

• The ___________ members (____________ _______________) of the federal bureaucracy
• Most belong to the _______________ __________________, but some report to Congress

Federal bureaucracy is organized into ...

• __________________
• Agencies
• Boards
• Commissions
• Corporations
• Advisory committees

Why have a bureaucracy?

• Efficient: clear chain of __________________, one person is boss with final decision
• Effective: set _______________ and rules, specific functions, defined __________________
• Variety of departments serve to _______________ work of the bench.

Examples:

• Federal Election _________________ - an independent regulatory agency that was founded in 1975 by the United States Congress to _______________ the campaign finance legislation in the United States.
• Central _________________ Agency – a _______________ foreign intelligence service of the United States federal government, tasked with gathering, processing, and _______________ national security information from around the world, primarily through the use of _______________ __________________ (HUMIT). Primarily focused on providing intelligence to the _______________ and Cabinet.
• Executive _______________ of the President – consists of the immediate staff of the _______________ President of the United States and multiple levels of support staff reporting to the _______________. The EOP is headed by the White House _______________ of Staff _______________ __________________. The EOP is headed by the White House _______________ of Staff _______________ __________________.
• Council of _______________ Advisors – Branch of EOP that assists the _______________ on _______________ policy and assists with the writing of the _______________.
• Office of Management and _________________ - Branch of EOP that assists the president in preparing the annual ________________, ________________ and coordinating departmental agency budgets and ________________ the administration of the federal budget.
• National _________________ Council – Branch of EOP that serves as a __________ between the President’s top ________________ policy and ________________ advisors.

The President’s Cabinet

• The Cabinet is made up of the ______________ Executive ________________ created to _______________ the President and ________________ a specific ________________ area
• Article II – mentions “____________________________________”; but doesn’t list specifics about
__________________________
• Chosen for ________________ in area
• __________________________, confirmed by ______________________________
• Must be “______________” (review credentials)
• Can be __________________ by President without Senate approval
• Becoming more ________________________________
• Each department has many levels of authority

Inner Cabinet: President’s closest advisors
1. Department of State
• ________________ of ________________ = John Kerry
• Implements ______________________________
• Staffs ___________________ (offices of ambassadors in foreign countries)
• Represents the U.S. at ________________________________

2. Department of Treasury
• ________________ of ________________ = Jack Lew
• Manages the nation’s money
• Collect and oversee taxes
• Borrow and print money

3. Department of Defense
• ________________ of ________________ = Ashton Carter
• Manage ______________________________
• Maintain forts, bases, harbors
• Conduct ______________________________

4. Department of Justice
• ________________ __________________________ = Loretta Lynch
• __________________________ for U.S.
• Run FBI, maintain federal prisons
• __________________________ federal law violations

Other Departments
5. Department of the Interior
6. Department of Agriculture
7. Department of Commerce
8. Department of Labor
9. Department of Health and Human Services
10. Department of Housing and Urban Development
11. Department of Transportation
12. Department of Energy
13. Department of Education
14. Department of Veteran Affairs
15. Department of Homeland Security