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**Advisory Committee - Press Release from White House**

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**President Clinton names Co-Chairman of the Advisory Committee on High  
Performance Computing and Communications, Information Technology, and  
the Next Generation Internet**

President Clinton today announced his intention to designate Bill Joy of Aspen,  
Colorado, as Co-Chairman of the Advisory Committee on High-Performance Computing  
and Communications, Information Technology, and the Next Generation Internet.

The Advisory Committee will provide guidance and advice on all areas of high-  
performance computing, communications and information technologies. The  
Commission members bring a broad range of expertise and interests from business  
and universities. They will provide valuable guidance to the administration's efforts to  
accelerate development and adoption of information technologies that will be vital for  
American prosperity in the twenty-first century.

Mr. Joy is a co-founder and current Vice President for Research at Sun Microsystems, a  
leading manufacturer of powerful computer workstations. He is researching new  
architectures for human-computer interaction, involving new kinds of interfaces, new  
system and application software architectures, and new ways of storing information to  
make information systems more agreeable to use.

Mr. Joy was the principal designer of the University of California, Berkeley, version of  
the UNIX operating system whose networking protocols and implementations helped  
spawn the Internet and in the 1980's he spearheaded Sun's evangelism of the "open  
systems" model of computing which allows different groups to contribute design by  
making the specifications of its components freely available.

The Advisory Committee is expected to hold its first meeting in late February. One of  
the Committee's first tasks will be to provide guidance on the Next Generation Internet.
Initiative announced by the President in October 1996. It will also examine a wide range of issues in the high performance computing, networking and related issues.