

discussions with the President over what role Riley could play in the second term. And while Riley may move to another Cabinet position in the Administration, he is "certainly not opposed" to staying on as Education Secretary, reports a Riley aide. Should the White House's Domestic Policy Council be upgraded, there are reports Riley may agree to become its chairman. If Riley leaves Education, potential replacements include: Colorado Gov. Roy Romer; West Virginia Gov. Gaston Caperton; Georgia Gov. Zell Miller; Indiana Gov. Evan Bayh; former Deputy Education Secretary Madeleine Kunin; and former GOP Governor Tom Kean.

ENERGY: Secretary Hazel O'Leary resigned after a series of embarrassments for the Administration. There are reports that Democratic Rep. Bill Richardson, who is under consideration as a replacement to O'Leary, would prefer the top job at Commerce or the post as Ambassador to the UN. Other possible successors to O'Leary include: FERC member Elizabeth Moller; White House advisor Mack McLarty; Deputy Attorney General Jamie Gorelick; CIA Director John Deutch (doubtful); Sen. Bennett Johnston; former Wyoming Gov. Mike Sullivan; EPA Administrator Carol Browner; Undersecretary of State Tim Wirth; current Deputy Secretary of Energy Charles Curtis; and CA-Berkeley Chancellor Chang-Lin Tien.

EPA: Administrator Carol Browner is expected to stay in her current position, unless she is offered the job at DOE, which is doubtful.

HHS: President Clinton has asked Secretary Donna Shalala to stay and she will.

FDA Commissioner David Kessler, who announced his decision to resign, will stay put until Clinton finds a replacement. Those likely to be considered for the post include: FDA officials Mary Pendergrast, William Schultz and Michael Friedman; USDA's Michael Taylor; former FDA chief counsel Peter Hut; and Randy Juhl, dean of the University of Pittsburgh School of Pharmacy.

HUD: Current Secretary Henry Cisneros announced November 21st he will leave the Cabinet, saying personal finances required him to seek a higher paying position in the private sector. Seattle Mayor Norm Rice has met with White House Counsel Jack Quinn as part of his vetting process to become HUD's new secretary. Insiders say, however, that the Rice appointment is not yet a done deal and HUD Assistant Secretary Andrew Cuomo is still in play. Other potential candidates for HUD include Baltimore Mayor Kurt Schmoke and Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer, who has reportedly said he is not interested. Denver Mayor Wellington Webb reportedly rejected an offer from the Administration to have his name considered for HUD secretary.

INTERIOR: Secretary Bruce Babbitt is expected to stay, possibly hoping for a Supreme Court nod later on. However, if he goes, those expected to receive consideration include Colorado Gov. Roy Romer and former Wyoming Gov. Mike

Sullivan.

JUSTICE: Attorney General Janet Reno says she wants to stay. A number of aides in the White House, however, complain she has not been a team player. The betting is that Reno will stay, since the alternative for Clinton — firing her at a time of ongoing Clinton investigations — is even worse. Jamie Gorelick may get the AG position if Reno leaves. Commerce Secretary Mickey Kantor is also said to have wanted Reno's job, but his ties to the President during a time of Justice investigations probably rules him out. Former Michigan governor and Ambassador to Canada Jim Blanchard said Detroit Mayor Dennis Archer is President Clinton's favorite mayor and could be tapped for AG, although Archer says he is not interested in serving in the Clinton Administration. Republican Massachusetts Gov. William Weld is also being mentioned as a possible choice.

John R. Schmidt, the number three official at Justice, plans to leave the Administration. It appears as though Schmidt will run for governor of Illinois.

Deval Patrick, Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights, announced he was resigning to return to Boston. His resignation is effective at the end of the year.

LABOR: Secretary Robert Reich has decided to return to Boston. Some insiders claim former Pennsylvania Sen. Harris Wofford, the first choice of big labor, appears to have risen as the current frontrunner. White House aide Alexis Herman reportedly was talked into keeping her name in contention as Reich's replacement and is still a serious possibility. A few insiders are speculating this morning that with the high-level lobbying efforts pitting Wofford against Herman, a third potential candidate — Maria Echaveste, administrator of the wage and hour division — may rise as the compromise candidate. Other potential candidates include Reps. Bill Richardson and Esteban Edward Torres.

Timothy Barnicle, Assistant Secretary for employment training, will reportedly leave the Administration early next year. White House aide Jennifer O'Connor is expected to move to Labor to become Deputy Assistant Secretary for policy.

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION: Commissioner Shirley Chater has announced plans to leave early next year. White House Domestic Policy Advisor Carol Rasco has been reported as a potential successor to Chater, although she calls such speculation "off base." Stan Ross, who served in the Social Security Administration during the Carter Administration, is said to be a potential candidate.

STATE: Madeleine Albright will replace Warren Christopher as Secretary of State.

Top Christopher aide Tom Donilon has already left the Department for a few months paternity time with his three-week-old daughter, then will return to the law firm of O'Melveny & Myers. Others at State that are said to be considering a departure include: Peter Tarnoff; Joan Spero;

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