

# President Obama's first day in office

As soon as Barack Obama is sworn in 20 senior officials will begin work on items at the top of his agenda – pulling the nation out of recession, directing the military to exit Iraq, and shutting down Guantanamo Bay

## ■ Economic crisis: Tighten

regulation of remaining \$350 billion of Bush administration's \$700bn **Troubled Asset Relief**

## **Programme (TARP)**

meant to clean out bad assets from financial system.

**Initiate record \$825bn fiscal stimulus plan to jolt economy into life and protect or create 3.5 million jobs**

## ■ Iraq: Give Joint

Chiefs of Staff

16-month timetable to end war and redeploy troops to U.S. offensive against Taliban in Afghanistan. **140,000-plus U.S. troops are tied down in Iraq at cost of \$12bn a month**



## ■ Guantanamo Bay:

Issue **executive order** calling for closing of U.S. military prison in Cuba. Executive orders do not have to go through Congress

## ■ Other executive orders to reverse or change policies of President Bush:

Revoke limitations on human stem cell research. Overturn so-called **Mexico City** policy, which forbids U.S. funding for family planning programmes that offer abortion. Allow California to set tougher emission standards for cars

