Marc Grossman, Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs; Douglas J. Feith, Under Secretary of Defense for Policy; and Gen. Wesley K. Clark, USA (Ret.), Stephens Group, former Supreme Allied Commander Europe, and Lt. Gen. William E. Odom, USA (Ret.), Hudson Institute, former Director, National Security Agency, both of Washington, D.C.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee will meet again on Wednesday, May 8.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 14 public bills, H.R. 4626–4639; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 393–394 and H. Res. 405–408, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 2646, to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2011 (H. Rept. 107–424);

H.J. Res. 87, approving the site at Yucca Mountain, Nevada, for the development of a repository for the disposal of high-level radioactive waste and spent nuclear fuel, pursuant to the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 (H. Rept. 107–425);

H. Res. 403, waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany H.R. 2646, to provide for the continuation of agricultural programs through fiscal year 2011 (H. Rept. 107–426); and

H. Res. 404, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (H. Rept. 107–427).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Gutknecht to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Jim Congdon, Pastor of the Topeka Bible Church, Topeka, Kansas. **Page H1771**

Export-Import Bank Reauthorization Act: The House passed H.R. 2871, to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States by voice vote. Subsequently, the House passed S. 1372, a similar Senate-passed bill, after amending it to contain the text of H.R. 2871, as passed the House; and H.R. 2871 was laid on the table. **Page H1887–H1985**

The House insisted on its amendment, asked for a conference with the Senate, and appointed as conferees from the Committee of Financial Services: Chairman Oxley and Representatives Bereuter, Toomey, Gary Miller of California, LaFalce, and Sanders. And from the Committee on Government Reform for consideration of section 7 of the Senate bill, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Burton and Representatives Horn and Waxman. **Page H1985**

Agreed to the Committee on Financial Services amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill, H. Rept. 107–292, and made in order by the rule. **Page H1984**

Agreed To:

Bereuter amendment No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 107–423 that specifies that the Export-Import Bank in consultation with the Department of the Treasury will set the principles, processes, and standards of the Tied Aid Credit Fund commonly known as the "Tied Aid War Chest" and revises various processes of the fund; **Pages H1778–79, H1790–91**

Kucinich amendment No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 107–423 that requires applicants for assistance to disclose whether they have violated the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and further requires the bank to maintain a list of persons who have violated the law; and **Pages H1792–93**

Schakowsky amendment No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 107–423 that expresses the sense of the Congress that the bank should review an assessment of the potential human rights impact of proposed projects that are worth $10 million or more.

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Rejected:

Sanders amendment No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 107–423 that sought to require companies seeking or receiving assistance to provide annual reports on workforce numbers and compensation and to prohibit assistance to those who lay off a greater percentage of U.S. workers than they lay off in foreign countries (rejected by a recorded vote of 135 ayes to 283 noes, Roll No. 120). **Pages H1793–95, H1983**

Withdrawn:

DeFazio amendment No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 107–423 was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to ban assistance for projects involving the privatization of a government-held industry or sector when conditions relating to transparent implementation, worker and investor protections, and regulatory processes to ensure the functioning of competitive markets are not met. **Pages H1791–92**

The Clerk was authorized to make technical corrections and conforming changes in the engrossment of the bill. **Page H1984**

H. Res. 402, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill was agreed to by voice vote.

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Suspension—International Development Funds: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass H.R. 2604, to authorize the United States to participate in and contribute to the seventh replenishment of the resources of the Asian Development Fund and the fifth replenishment of the resources of the International Fund for Agricultural Development, and to set forth additional policies of the United States towards the African Development Bank, the African Development Fund, the Asian Development Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, and the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

Pages H1986–90

Motion to Instruct Conferees—Violence Against Women Office: By a yea-and-nay vote of 416 yeas to 3 nays, roll No. 121, agreed to the DeGette motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 2215, 21st Century Department of Justice Appropriations Authorization Act, to agree to title IV of the Senate amendment (establishing A Violence Against Women Office); and insist upon section 2003 of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968, as added by section 402 of the House bill (establishing duties and functions of the director of the Violence Against Women Office). **Pages H1990–97**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on pages H1985–86.

Referrals: S. 1721 and S. Con. Res. 102 were held at the desk.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and one recorded vote during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1984 and H1996–97. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Committee Meetings

LABOR, HHS, AND EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on Bioterrorism. Testimony was heard from Claude Allen, Deputy Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality. Testimony was heard from Carolyn Clancy, M.D., Acting Director, Healthcare Research and Quality, Department of Health and Human Services.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered reported, as amended H.R. 4546, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2003 for military activities of the Department of Defense, and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2003;

Began markup of H.R. 4547, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2003 for military activities of the Department of Defense and to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2003.

Committee recessed subject to call.

WORKING TOWARD INDEPENDENCE ACT

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Began markup of H.R. 4092, Working Toward Independence Act of 2002.

Will continue tomorrow.

CLEAN AIR ACT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality held a hearing entitled "Accomplishments of the Clean Air Act, as amended by the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990." Testimony was heard from Jeffery Holmstead, Assistant Administrator, Air and Radiation, EPA; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—GOVERNMENT PURCHASE CARD PROGRAM

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing titled "Oversight and Management of the Government Purchase Card Program: Reviewing Its Weaknesses and Identifying Solutions." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Commerce: Johnnie E. Frazier, Inspector General; Mike Sade, Director, Acquisition and Procurement