

Ben S. Bernanke, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of fourteen years from February 1, 2006.

Ben S. Bernanke, of New Jersey, to be Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of four years.

Steven Alan Browning, of Texas, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador to the Republic Uganda.

Jeanine E. Jackson, of Wyoming, to be Ambassador to Burkina Faso.

1 Coast Guard nomination in the rank of admiral.

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Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nominations:

Roger Francisco Noriega, of Kansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2006, which was sent to the Senate on January 4, 2005.

Roger Francisco Noriega, of Kansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2006, which was sent to the Senate on February 14, 2005.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 8:23 p.m., until 8:30 a.m., on Wednesday, November 2, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S12146.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

IMPROVISED EXPLOSIVE DEVICES

Committee on Armed Services: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on the progress of the

Joint Improvised Explosive Devices (IED) Task Force from Brigadier General Joseph L. Votel, USA, Director, Joint IED Task Force.

Nominations:

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Shana L. Dale, of Georgia, to be Deputy Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and Mark V. Rosenker, of Maryland, who was introduced by Senator Allen, and Kathryn Higgins, of South Dakota, who was introduced by Senator Sarbanes and Representative Levin, each to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE MANAGEMENT POLICIES

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks concluded an oversight hearing to examine the National Park Service's Draft Management Policies, including potential impact of the policies on park operations, park resources, interaction with gateway communities, and solicitation and collection of donations, after receiving testimony from Stephen P. Martin, Deputy Director, National Park Service, and William P. Horn, former Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, both of the Department of the Interior; Denis P. Galvin, McLean, Virginia, on behalf of the National Parks Conservation Association; and Don H. Castleberry, Little Rock Arkansas, on behalf of the Coalition of National Park Service Retirees.

NOMINATIONS:

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Eric Nicholas Vitaliano and Joseph Frank Bianco, each to be a United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, who were introduced by Senators Schumer and Clinton, Gregory F. Van Tatenhove, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky, who was introduced by Senator Bunning, and Timothy Mark Burgess, to be United States District Judge for the District of Alaska, who was introduced by Senators Stevens and Murkowski, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.