

¶48.7 TONGASS NATIONAL FOREST
SUSPENSION

The Clerk then read the message from the President, as follows:

To the Congress of the United States:

I hereby report that I have exercised the authority provided to me under subsection 325(c) of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996, to suspend subsection 325(a) and 325(b) of such Act. A copy of the suspension is attached.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *April 26, 1996.*

By unanimous consent, the message, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and the Committee on Resources and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 104-206).

¶48.8 MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—
DRUG CONTROL STRATEGY

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. COX, laid before the House a message from the President, which was read as follows:

To the Congress of the United States:

I am pleased to transmit to the Congress the *1996 National Drug Control Strategy*. This Strategy carries forward the policies and principles of the 1994 and 1995 Strategies. It describes new directions and initiatives to confront the ever-changing challenges of drug abuse and trafficking.

This past March I convened the White House Leadership Conference on Youth, Drug Use, and Violence in order to focus the Nation's attention on two major health problems faced by young people today—drug use and violence. The conference brought together over 300 young people, parents, clergy, community and business leaders, judges, prosecutors, police, entertainers, media executives, researchers, and treatment and prevention specialists from across America to examine solutions and keep us moving forward with proven strategies. The Vice President, General Barry McCaffrey, and I met with the participants in a series of roundtable discussions, discussing how to strengthen the efforts of families, the media, communities, schools, businesses, and government to reduce drug use and violence. Participants left with new energy and new ideas, determined to return home and begin implementing the solutions and strategies discussed that day.

This conference took place at an important juncture in America's ongoing fight against drug abuse. In the last few years our nation has made significant progress against drug use and related crime. The number of Americans who use cocaine has been reduced by 30 percent since 1992. The amount of money Americans spend on illicit drugs has declined from an estimated \$64 billion five years ago to about \$49 billion in 1993—a 23 percent drop. We are finally gaining ground against overall crime: drug-related murders are down 12 percent since 1989; robberies are down 10 percent since 1991.

At the same time, we have dealt serious blows to the international criminal networks that import drugs into America. Many powerful drug lords, including leaders of Colombia's notorious Cali cartel, have been arrested. A multinational air interdiction program has disrupted the principal air route for smugglers between Peru and Colombia. The close cooperation between the United States, Peru, and other governments in the region has disrupted the cocaine economy in several areas. Our efforts have decreased overall cocaine production and have made coca planting less attractive to the farmers who initiate the cocaine production process. And I have taken the serious step of cutting off all non-humanitarian aid to certain drug producing and trafficking nations that have not cooperated with the United States in narcotics control. Further, I have ordered that we vote against their requests for loans from the World Bank and other multi-lateral development banks. This clearly underscores the unwavering commitment of the United States to stand against drug production and trafficking.

Here at home, we have achieved major successes in arresting, prosecuting, and dismantling criminal drug networks. In Miami, the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Program, through its operational task forces, successfully concluded a major operation that resulted in the indictments of 252 individuals for drug trafficking and other drug-related crimes. Operations conducted by the Drug Enforcement Administration's Mobile Enforcement Teams program (MET), a highly successful federal tool for assisting local law enforcement, have resulted in more than 1,500 arrests of violent and predatory drug criminals in more than 50 communities across the nation.

But as the White House Leadership Conference on Youth, Drug Use, and Violence showed, now is the time to press forward. We must not let up for a moment in our efforts against drug abuse, and drug abuse by young people, particularly.

There are many reasons why young people do continue to use drugs. Chief among these are ignorance of the facts about addiction and the potency of drugs, and complacency about the danger of drugs. Unfortunately, all too often we see signs of complacency about the dangers of drug use: diminished attention to the drug problem by the national media; the glamorization and legitimization of drug use in the entertainment industry; the coddling of professional athletes who are habitual drug-users; avoidance of the issue by parents and other adults; calls for drug-legalization; and the marketing of products to young people that legitimize and elevate the use of alcohol, tobacco, and illicit drugs.

All Americans must accept responsibility to teach young people that drugs are illegal and they are deadly. They may land you in jail; they may cost you your life. We must renew our com-

mitment to the drug prevention strategies that deter first-time drug use and stop the progression from alcohol and tobacco use to marijuana and harder drugs.

The National Drug Control Strategy is designed to prevent a new drug use epidemic through an aggressive and comprehensive full-court press that harnesses the energies of committed individuals from every sector of our society. As I said in the State of the Union, we must step up our attack against criminal youth gangs that deal in illicit drugs. We will improve the effectiveness of our cooperative efforts among U.S. defense and law enforcement agencies, as well as with other nations, to disrupt the flow of drugs coming into the country. We will seek to expand the availability and improve the quality of drug treatment. And we will continue to oppose resolutely calls for the legalization of illicit drugs. We will increase efforts to prevent drug use by all Americans, particularly young people.

The tragedy of drug abuse and drug-related crime affects us all. The National Drug Control Strategy requires commitment and resources from many individuals and organizations, and from all levels of government. For the strategy to succeed, each of us must do our part.

We ask the Congress to be a bipartisan partner and provide the resources we need at the federal level to get the job done. I challenge state and local governments to focus on drug abuse as a top priority. We ask the media and the advertising and entertainment industries to work with us to educate our youth, and all Americans, about the dangers of drug use. Finally, we invite every American—every parent, every teacher, every law enforcement officer, every faith leader, every young person, and every community leader—to join our national campaign to save our youth.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *April 29, 1996.*

By unanimous consent, the message, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on Agriculture, the Committee on Banking and Financial Services, the Committee on Commerce, the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities, the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, the Committee on International Relations, the Committee on the Judiciary, the Committee on National Security, the Committee on Resources, the Committee on Science, the Committee on Small Business, the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, the Committee on Veterans Affairs, and the Committee on Ways and Means.

And then,

¶48.9 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. FILNER, pursuant to the special order agreed to on Thursday, April 25, 1996, at 2 o'clock and 21 minutes p.m., the House adjourned until 12:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 30, 1996.

¶48.10 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. MCCOLLUM: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 2641. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for appointment of U.S. marshals by the Director of the U.S. Marshals Service; with amendments (Rept. No. 104-541). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

¶48.11 PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of rule X and clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. QUINN (for himself, Mr. SOLOMON, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. CLINGER, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mrs. KELLY, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. TORKILDSEN, Mr. KING, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. GOODLING, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. BLUTE, and Mr. PETRI):

H.R. 3348. A bill to direct the President to establish standards and criteria for the provision of major disaster and emergency assistance in response to snow-related events; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. GILMAN:

H. Res. 416. Resolution establishing a select committee of the Committee on International Relations to investigate the United States role in Iranian arms transfer to Croatia and Bosnia; to the Committee on Rules.

H. Res. 417. Resolution providing amounts for the expenses of the select subcommittee on the United States role in Iranian arms transfers to Croatia and Bosnia of the Committee on International Relations in the 2d session of the 104th Congress; to the Committee on House Oversight.

¶48.12 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 773: Mr. LAFALCE.

H.R. 885: Mr. QUINN, Ms. MOLINARI, and Mr. PAXON.

H.R. 1073: Mr. BLUTE, Mr. FIELDS of Louisiana, and Ms. GREENE of Utah.

H.R. 1074: Mr. BLUTE, Mr. FIELDS of Louisiana, and Mr. KLUG.

H.R. 1325: Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. JACOBS, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, and Mr. LIPINSKI.

H.R. 1484: Mr. ORTON, Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO, and Mr. OLVER.

H.R. 1496: Mr. KILDEE.

H.R. 1513: Mr. CONDIT.

H.R. 1884: Mr. FIELDS of Louisiana.

H.R. 2214: Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. FROST, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. CONDIT, and Mr. MATSUI.

H.R. 2531: Mr. GOSS and Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky.

H.R. 2652: Mr. FATTAH, Mr. BARCIA of Michigan, Mr. BALDACCI, Mr. YATES, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. STUDDS, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. FAWELL, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. HALL of Ohio, Mr. BONIOR, Mr. FAZIO of California, Ms. DELAURO, and Mr. FORBES.

H.R. 2665: Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.

H.R. 2745: Mr. MARTINI and Mr. JACKSON.

H.R. 2827: Mr. HEFNER.

H.R. 2922: Mr. POSHARD and Ms. NORTON.

H.R. 2964: Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. BEREUTER, and Mr. ROMERO-BARCELO.

H.R. 3195: Ms. GREENE of Utah, Mr. NEUMANN, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, and Mrs. MYRICK.

H.R. 3262: Mrs. KELLY and Mr. COBURN.

H.R. 3279: Mr. GONZALEZ and Mr. BURTON of Indiana.

H.R. 3286: Mr. RAMSTAD.

H. Con. Res. 165: Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. UNDERWOOD, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. ZIMMER, Mr. CALVERT, and Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island.

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 1996 (49)

¶49.1 DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The House was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by the SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. WELLER, who laid before the House the following communication:

WASHINGTON, DC,

April 30, 1996.

I hereby designate the Honorable JERRY WELLER to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Whereupon, pursuant to the order of the House of Friday, May 12, 1995, Members were recognized for "morning hour" debates.

¶49.2 RECESS—1:24 P.M.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. WELLER, pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, declared the House in recess until 2:00 p.m.

¶49.3 AFTER RECESS—2:00 P.M.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. CLINGER, called the House to order.

¶49.4 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. CLINGER, announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Monday, April 29, 1996.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal was approved.

¶49.5 COMMUNICATIONS

Executive and other communications, pursuant to clause 2, rule XXIV, were referred as follows:

2646. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Fresh Cut Flowers and Fresh Cut Greens Promotion and Information Order; Suspension of Late Payment Charges (FV-96-702 IFR) received April 30, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2647. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Spearment Oil Produced in the Far West; Salable Quantities and Allotment Percentages for the 1996-97 Marketing Year (FV-96-985-1 IFR) received April 30, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2648. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Grading and Inspection, General Specification for Approved Plants and Standards for Grades of Dairy Products; United States Standards for Grades of Monterey Jack Cheese (DA-91-010B) received April 30, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2649. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health

Inspection Service, transmitting the Service's interim rule—Karnal Bunt (Amendment of Quarantined Areas Interim Rule) (Docket No. 96-016-5) received April 30, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2650. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, transmitting the Service's final rules—(1) Export Certificates (Cyclical Review) (Docket No. 90-117-3), (2) National Poultry Improvement Plan and Auxiliary Provisions (Docket No. 94-091-2), (3) Imported fire ant (Docket No. 95-063-2), (4) Horses from Bermuda and the British VI; VEE Quarantine Requirements (Docket No. 95-052-2), and (5) Allow New Vaccine for Brucellosis (Docket No. 96-015-1) received April 30, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2651. A letter from the Administrator, Food and Consumer Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—food Stamp Program: Failure to Comply with Federal, State, or Local Welfare Assistance Program Requirements (RIN: 0584-AC08) received April 30, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2652. A letter from the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the annual report on enforcement actions taken by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency during the 12-month period ending December 31, 1995, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1833; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

2653. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Supplemental Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Department of Housing and Urban Development (FR-3331) received April 30, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

2654. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Regulatory Reinvention; Tax Exemption of Obligations of Public Housing Agencies and Related Amendments (FR-3985) received April 30, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

2655. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Prohibition of Advance Disclosure of Funding; Accountability in the Provision of HUD Assistance (FR-3954) received April 30, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

2656. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Streamlining of the FHA Single Family Housing, Multifamily, and Multifamily Housing and Health Care Facility Mortgage Insurance Programs Regulations (FR-3966) received April 30, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

2657. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Revision of FHA Multifamily Processing and Fees (FR-3349) received April 30, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

2658. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education, transmitting notice of Final Criteria for Consortium Incentive Grants for fiscal year 1996 and subsequent fiscal years—Title I, Part C—Education of Migratory Children, pursuant to 20