

WASHINGTON, DC,  
June 4, 1997.

I hereby designate the Honorable DAVID L. HOBSON to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

#### ¶58.2 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. HOBSON, announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Tuesday, June 3, 1997.

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

#### ¶58.3 COMMUNICATIONS

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

3609. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Apples; Grade Standards [Docket Number FV-97-301] received May 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3610. A letter from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), Department of Defense, transmitting a report of a violation of the Anti-Deficiency Act—Air Force violation, case number 95-15, which totaled \$400,000, occurred at the Electronic Systems Center, located at Hanscom Air Force Base, Massachusetts, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); to the Committee on Appropriations.

3611. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting the Cooperative Threat Reduction (CTR) Multi-Year Program Plan for Fiscal Years 1998-2003, pursuant to section 1205 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1995; to the Committee on National Security.

3612. A letter from the President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting a report involving U.S. exports to Argentina, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 635(b)(3)(i); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

3613. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting OMB's estimate of the amount of change in outlays or receipts, as the case may be, in each fiscal year through fiscal year 2002 resulting from passage of S. 305, pursuant to Public Law 101-508, section 13101(a) (104 Stat. 1388-582); to the Committee on the Budget.

3614. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education, Department of Education, transmitting Final Regulations—William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program, pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 1232(f); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

3615. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's report on the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(B); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

3616. A letter from the AMD—Performance Evaluation and Record Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Implementation of the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992: Rate Regulation [MM Docket No. 92-266] received May 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

3617. A letter from the AMD—Performance Evaluation and Record Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Access Charge Reform [CC Docket No. 96-262] received May 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

3618. A letter from the AMD—Performance Evaluation and Record Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Price Cap Performance Review for Local Exchange Carriers; Access Charge Reform [CC Docket No. 94-1; CC Docket No. 96-262] received May 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

3619. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting the quarterly reports in accordance with sections 36(a) and 26(b) of the Arms Export Control Act, the 24 March 1979 report by the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the Seventh Report by the Committee on Government Operations for the second quarter of Fiscal Year 1997, 1 January 1997-31 March 1997, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

3620. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting the Department of the Air Force's proposed lease of defense articles to Turkey (Transmittal No. 07-97), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2796a(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

3621. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting the Department of the Air Force's proposed lease of defense articles to Venezuela (Transmittal No. 17-97), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2796a(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

3622. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially to Algeria (Transmittal No. DTC-70-97), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

3623. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting copies of international agreements, other than treaties, entered into by the United States, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

3624. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendments to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (Bureau of Political-Military Affairs) [Public Notice 2539] received May 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

3625. A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting the semiannual report of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 1996 through March 31, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

3626. A letter from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting the Semiannual Report of the Department's Inspector General and the Department of Labor's Semiannual Management report to Congress covering the period October 1, 1996 through March 31, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

3627. A letter from the Administrator, Agency for International Development, transmitting the semiannual report of the Agency's Inspector General for the period October 1, 1996, through March 31, 1997, and the semiannual report on audit management and resolution, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

3628. A letter from the Chairman, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Office of Inspector General for the period October 1, 1996, through March 31,

1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

3629. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Office of Inspector General for the period October 1, 1996, through March 31, 1997; and the semiannual management report for the same period, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

3630. A letter from the Chairman, National Endowment for the Arts, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Office of Inspector General for the period October 1, 1996, through March 31, 1997; and the semiannual management report for the same period, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

3631. A letter from the Chairman, National Science Board, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Office of Inspector General for the period October 1, 1996, through March 31, 1997; and the semiannual management report for the same period, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

3632. A letter from the Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Office of Inspector General for the period October 1, 1996, through March 31, 1997; and the semiannual management report for the same period, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

3633. A letter from the Chairman, United States International Trade Commission, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Office of Inspector General for the period October 1, 1996, through March 31, 1997; and the semiannual management report for the same period, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

3634. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, transmitting the Office's final rule—Pennsylvania Regulatory Program [PA-117-FOR] received May 23, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

3635. A letter from Tate & Tyron, Certified Public Accountants, U.S. Capitol Historical Society, transmitting the audited financial statements of the United States Capitol Historical Society for its fiscal year ended January 31, 1996, pursuant to 36 U.S.C. 1103, 1213, and 40 U.S.C. 193m-1; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

3636. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to reauthorize the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (AMTRAK) for inclusion as part of the National Economic Crossroads Transportation Efficiency Act of 1997 (NEXTEA), pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1110; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

3637. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule—Guidelines for Furnishing Sensori-neural Aids (i.e., eyeglasses, contact lenses, hearing aids) (RIN: 2900-AI60) received May 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

3638. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule—Schedule for Rating Disabilities; Muscle Injuries (RIN: 2900-AE89) received May 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

3639. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Rulings and Determination Letters [Rev. Proc. 97-29] received May 29, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3640. A letter from the Chairman, Prospective Payment Assessment Commission, transmitting a copy of a report entitled "Medicare and the American Health Care System," pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1886(e)(2)(C); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

58.4 PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 1757 AND H.R. 1758

Mr. DIAZ-BALART, by direction of the Committee on Rules, called up the following resolution (H. Res. 159):

*Resolved*, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 1(b) of rule XXIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1757) to consolidate international affairs agencies, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. General debate shall be confirmed to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on International Relations. After the general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. The bill shall be considered by title rather than by section. Each title of the bill shall be considered as read. The Chairman of the Committee of the Whole may: (1) postpone until a time during further consideration in the Committee of the Whole a request for a recorded vote on any amendment; and (2) reduce to five minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any postponed question that follows another electronic vote without intervening business, provided that the minimum time for electronic voting on the first in any series of questions shall be fifteen minutes. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. The previous question shall be considered on the bill and amendments thereto of final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

SEC. 2. After disposition of H.R. 1757 it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 1758) to ensure that the enlargement of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) proceeds in a manner consistent with the United States interests, to strengthen relations between the United States and Russia, to preserve the prerogatives of the Congress with respect to certain arms control agreements, and for other purposes. The bill shall be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the Chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on International Relations. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit.

SEC. 3. (a) In the engrossment of H.R. 1757, the Clerk shall—

- (1) await the disposition of H.R. 1758 pursuant to section 2 of this resolution;
- (2) add the text of H.R. 1758, as passed by the House, as new matter at the end of H.R. 1757;
- (3) conform the title of H.R. 1757 to reflect the addition of the text of H.R. 1758 to the engrossment;

(4) assign appropriate designations to titles within the engrossment; and

(5) conform provisions for short titles within the engrossment.

(b) Upon the addition of the text of H.R. 1758 to the engrossment of H.R. 1757, H.R. 1758 shall be laid on the table.

When said resolution was considered. After debate.

Mr. DIAZ-BALART moved the previous question on the resolution to its adoption or rejection.

The question being put, *viva voce*, Will the House now order the previous question?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOODLATTE, announced that the yeas had it.

Mr. HALL of Ohio objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting.

A quorum not being present,

The roll was called under clause 4, rule XV, and the call was taken by electronic device.

When there appeared { Yeas ..... 219  
Nays ..... 204

58.5 [Roll No. 157] YEAS—219

Aderholt	Ensign	LoBiondo
Archer	Everett	Lucas
Armey	Ewing	Manzullo
Bachus	Fawell	McCollum
Baker	Foley	McCrery
Ballenger	Forbes	McHugh
Barr	Fowler	McInnis
Barrett (NE)	Fox	McIntosh
Bartlett	Franks (NJ)	McKeon
Barton	Frelinghuysen	Metcalf
Bass	Galleghy	Mica
Bateman	Ganske	Miller (FL)
Bereuter	Gekas	Molinari
Billbray	Gibbons	Moran (KS)
Bilirakis	Gilchrest	Morella
Biley	Gillmor	Myrick
Blunt	Gilman	Nethercutt
Boehlert	Goodlatte	Neumann
Boehner	Goodling	Ney
Bonilla	Goss	Northup
Bono	Graham	Norwood
Brady	Granger	Nussle
Bryant	Greenwood	Oxley
Bunning	Hansen	Packard
Burr	Hastert	Pappas
Burton	Hastings (WA)	Parker
Buyer	Hayworth	Paul
Callahan	Hefley	Paxon
Calvert	Herger	Pease
Camp	Hill	Peterson (PA)
Campbell	Hilleary	Petri
Canady	Hobson	Pitts
Cannon	Hoekstra	Pombo
Castle	Horn	Porter
Chabot	Hostettler	Portman
Chambliss	Houghton	Pryce (OH)
Chenoweth	Hulshof	Quinn
Christensen	Hunter	Radanovich
Coble	Hutchinson	Redmond
Coburn	Hyde	Regula
Collins	Inglis	Riggs
Combest	Istook	Riley
Cook	Jenkins	Rogan
Cooksey	Johnson (CT)	Rogers
Cox	Johnson, Sam	Rohrabacher
Crane	Jones	Ros-Lehtinen
Crapo	Kasich	Roukema
Cubin	Kelly	Royce
Cunningham	Kim	Ryun
Davis (VA)	King (NY)	Salmon
Deal	Kingston	Sanford
DeLay	Klug	Saxton
Diaz-Balart	Knollenberg	Scarborough
Dickey	Kolbe	Schaefer, Dan
Doolittle	LaHood	Schaffer, Bob
Dreier	Largent	Sensenbrenner
Duncan	Latham	Sessions
Dunn	LaTourrette	Shadegg
Ehlers	Lazio	Shaw
Ehrlich	Lewis (KY)	Shays
Emerson	Linder	Shimkus
English	Livingston	Shuster

Skeen	Stump	Watkins
Smith (MI)	Sununu	Watts (OK)
Smith (NJ)	Talent	Weldon (FL)
Smith (OR)	Tauzin	Weldon (PA)
Smith (TX)	Taylor (NC)	Weller
Smith, Linda	Thomas	White
Snowbarger	Thornberry	Whitfield
Solomon	Tiahrt	Wicker
Souder	Upton	Wolf
Spence	Walsh	Young (AK)
Stearns	Wamp	Young (FL)

NAYS—204

Abercrombie	Gutierrez	Olver
Ackerman	Gutknecht	Ortiz
Allen	Hall (OH)	Owens
Baessler	Hall (TX)	Pallone
Baldacci	Hamilton	Pascrell
Barcia	Harman	Pastor
Barrett (WI)	Hastings (FL)	Payne
Becerra	Hinchey	Pelosi
Bentsen	Hinojosa	Peterson (MN)
Berman	Holden	Pickett
Berry	Hooley	Pomeroy
Bishop	Hoyer	Poshard
Blagojevich	Jackson (IL)	Price (NC)
Blumenauer	Jackson-Lee	Rahall
Bonior	(TX)	Ramstad
Borski	John	Rangel
Boswell	Johnson (WI)	Reyes
Boucher	Johnson, E.B.	Rivers
Boyd	Kanjorski	Rodriguez
Brown (CA)	Kaptur	Roemer
Brown (FL)	Kennedy (MA)	Rothman
Brown (OH)	Kennedy (RI)	Roybal-Allard
Capps	Kennelly	Rush
Cardin	Kildee	Sabo
Carson	Kilpatrick	Sanchez
Clay	Kind (WI)	Sanders
Clement	Klecza	Sandlin
Clyburn	Klink	Sawyer
Condit	Kucinich	Schumer
Conyers	LaFalce	Scott
Costello	Lampson	Serrano
Coyne	Leach	Sherman
Cramer	Levin	Sisisky
Cummings	Lewis (GA)	Skaggs
Danner	Lipinski	Skelton
Davis (FL)	Lofgren	Slaughter
Davis (IL)	Lowe	Smith, Adam
DeFazio	Luther	Snyder
DeGette	Maloney (CT)	Spratt
Delahunt	Maloney (NY)	Stabenow
DeLauro	Manton	Stark
Dellums	Markey	Stenholm
Deutsch	Martinez	Stokes
Dicks	Mascara	Strickland
Dingell	Matsui	Stupak
Dixon	McCarthy (MO)	Tanner
Doggett	McCarthy (NY)	Tauscher
Dooley	McDermott	Taylor (MS)
Doyle	McGovern	Thompson
Edwards	McHale	Thune
Engel	McIntyre	Thurman
Eshoo	McKinney	Tierney
Etheridge	McNulty	Torres
Evans	Meehan	Towns
Fattah	Meek	Trafficant
Fazio	Menendez	Turner
Filner	Millender	Velazquez
Flake	McDonald	Vento
Foglietta	Miller (CA)	Visclosky
Ford	Minge	Waters
Frank (MA)	Mink	Watt (NC)
Frost	Moakley	Waxman
Furse	Mollohan	Wexler
Gejdenson	Moran (VA)	Weygand
Gephardt	Murtha	Wise
Gonzalez	Nadler	Woolsey
Goode	Neal	Wynn
Gordon	Oberstar	Yates
Green	Obey	

NOT VOTING—11

Andrews	Hilliard	McDade
Clayton	Jefferson	Pickering
Farr	Lantos	Schiff
Hefner	Lewis (CA)	

So the previous question on the resolution was ordered.

The question being put, *viva voce*, Will the House agree to said resolution?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GOODLATTE, announced that the yeas had it.

Mr. HALL of Ohio demanded that the vote be taken by the yeas and nays,