erly the Algiers Accords. I shall continue to exercise the powers at my disposal to deal with these problems and will continue to report periodically to the Congress on significant developments.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *May 13, 1998.*

By unanimous consent, the message, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 105–252).

¶44.32 MANDATES INFORMATION

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, pursuant to House Resolution 426 and rule XXIII, declared the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 3534) to improve congressional deliberation on proposed Federal private sector mandates, and for other purposes.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska, by unanimous consent, designated Mr. SESSIONS as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole; and after some time spent therein,

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PORTMAN, assumed the Chair.

When Mr. SESSIONS, Chairman, reported that the Committee, having had under consideration said bill, had come to no resolution thereon.

¶44.33 PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2431

Mr. DREIER, by direction of the Committee on Rules, reported (Rept. No. 105–534) the resolution (H. Res. 430) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2431) to establish an Office of Religious Persecution Monitoring, to provide for the imposition of sanctions against countries engaged in a pattern of religious persecution, and for other purposes.

When said resolution and report were referred to the House Calendar and ordered printed.

¶44.34 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REFERRED

A concurrent resolution of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. Con. Res. 75. Concurrent resolution honoring the sesquicentennial of Wisconsin statehood; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

¶44.35 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to Mr. YATES, for today after 6:30 p.m.

And then,

¶44.36 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, at 11 o'clock and 59 minutes p.m., the House adjourned.

¶44.37 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. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 3504. A bill to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and to further define the criteria for capital repair and operation and maintenance; with an amendment (Rept. No. 105–533). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. DIAZ-BALART: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 430. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2431) to establish an Office of Religious Persecution Monitoring, to provide for the imposition of sanctions against countries engaged in a pattern of religious persecution, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 105–534). Referred to the House Calendar.

¶44.38 TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule X the following action was taken by the Speaker:

H.R. 1704. Referral to the Committees on Government Reform and Oversight and House Oversight extended for a period ending not later than May 22, 1998.

¶44.39 DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule X the Committee on Commerce discharged from further consideration. H.R. 1023 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

¶44.40 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. DELAY:

H.R. 3850. A bill to provide reporting requirements for the assertion of executive privilege, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. OBEY:

H.R. 3851. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for expenditure limitations and public financing for House of Representatives general elections, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Oversight, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. OBEY:

H.R. 3852. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for public financing for House of Representatives general elections for candidates who voluntarily limit expenditures, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Oversight, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself, Mr. BISHOP, and Mr. SOUDER):

H.R. 3853. A bill to promote drug-free workplace programs; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Mr. BARR of Georgia (for himself, Mr. SOLOMON, Mr. MICA, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. MCINTOSH, and Mr. SESSIONS):

H.R. 3854. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to modify immunity provisions in certain cases involving Congressional investigations; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, and Mr. GREENWOOD):

H.R. 3855. A bill to provide for payments to children's hospitals that operate graduate medical education programs; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. EWING (for himself and Mr. WELLER):

H.R. 3856. A bill to provide for the conveyance of the vacant Army Reserve Center in Kankakee, Illinois; to the Committee on National Security.

By Mr. HOUGHTON (for himself, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. WELLER, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. CAMP, Mr. METCALF, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. FROST, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. MCDERMOTT, and Mr. KLECZKA):

H.R. 3857. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow the research credit for expenses attributable to certain collaborative research consortia; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HUNTER (for himself, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. PACKARD, Mr. REYES, and Mr. CUNNINGHAM):

H.R. 3858. A bill to assure drug-free borders by increasing penalties for certain drug-related offenses, to enhance law enforcement efforts for counterdrug activities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SCARBOROUGH:

H.R. 3859. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the estate and gift tax; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SCARBOROUGH:

H.R. 3860. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to eliminate taxes on capital gains after December 31, 2001; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. LINDA SMITH of Washington (for herself and Mr. HUNTER):

H.R. 3861. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide, for purposes of computing the exclusion of gain on sale of a principal residence, that a member of the Armed Forces of the United States shall be treated as using property as a principal residence while away from home on extended active duty; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. UPTON (for himself and Mr. TOWNS):

H.R. 3862. A bill to provide assistance for poison prevention and to stabilize the funding of regional poison control centers; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma (for himself, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. RYUN, Mr. BILBRAY, Mr. BOYD, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, and Mr. FILNER):

H.R. 3863. A bill to provide for a special Medicare part B enrollment period, a reduction or elimination in the part B late enrollment penalty, and a special medigap open enrollment period for certain military retirees and dependents; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. WHITFIELD (for himself and Mr. ROGERS):

H.R. 3864. A bill to designate the post office located at 203 West Paige Street, in