NONSTATUTORY STANDING ORDERS NOT EMBRACED IN THE RULES, AND RESOLUTIONS AFFECTING THE BUSINESS OF THE SENATE

PUBLIC ACCESS TO SENATE RECORDS AT THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

Resolved. That any records of the Senate or any committee of the Senate which are transferred to the General Services Administration under rule XI of the Standing Rules of the Senate and section 2114 of Title 44, United States Code, and which have been made public prior to their transfer may be made available for public use.

Sec. 2. (a) Subject to such rules or regulations as the Secretary of the Senate may prescribe, any other records of the Senate or any committee of the Senate which are so transferred may be made available for public use—

(1) in the case of investigative files relating to individuals and containing personal data, personnel records, and records of executive nominations, when such files and records have been in existence for fifty years; and

(2) in the case of all other such records, when such records have been in existence for twenty years.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a), any committee of the Senate may, by action of the full committee, prescribe a different time when any of its records may be made available for public use, under specific conditions to be fixed by such committee, by giving notice thereof to the Secretary of the Senate and the Administrator of General Services.

Sec. 3. (a) This resolution shall not be construed to authorize the public disclosure of any record pursuant to section 2 if such disclosure is prohibited by law or Executive order of the President.

(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 2, the Secretary of the Senate may prohibit or restrict the public disclosure of any record so transferred, other than any