

(1) A substantial but undetermined number of asylum seekers who have escaped from Vietnam, Laos, and Cambodia, and who are now detained in refugee camps throughout Asia, have had their refugee claims rejected because of corruption, hostility to asylum seekers, or other defects in refugee screening processes.

(2) Others have had their claims rejected because the standard which was applied did not recognize persecution on account of close association with the United States war effort as sufficient to establish refugee status.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress, as follows:

(1) United States tax dollars should not support any program or activity that involves involuntary repatriation to Vietnam, Laos, or Cambodia of persons who fought on the side of the United States or who were otherwise closely identified with the United States war effort, victims of religious persecution, or other persons who are refugees under United States law.

(2) Within numerical limitations provided by law, refugees described in paragraph (1) should be permitted to resettle in the United States and in other free countries.

(3) To the extent necessary to ensure that genuine refugees are not involuntarily repatriated to Vietnam, Laos, or Cambodia, persons now detained in refugee camps should be offered access to rescreening under a process genuinely calculated to determine whether they are refugees. The procedures, standards, and personnel employed in such a process should be such as to ensure that the risk of return to persecution is no greater than in the process available under United States law to determine the asylum claims of persons physically present in the United States. It would be preferable to conduct such rescreening in the countries in which the asylum seekers are currently detained. If this should prove impossible, rescreening should be offered to asylum seekers immediately upon their voluntary repatriation to their countries of nationality, if their safety can be ensured during the process of rescreening and resettlement.

(c) DEFINITION.—As used in this section, the term "involuntary repatriation" includes return because of force, threat of force, duress, or any other means calculated or likely to effect such return without genuine regard for the wishes of the person returned.

#### THE ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1996

##### FRIST (AND THOMPSON) AMENDMENTS NOS. 2019-2024

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. FRIST (for himself and Mr. THOMPSON) submitted six amendments intended to be proposed by them to the bill (H.R. 1905) making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes; as follows:

###### AMENDMENT NO. 2019

On page 20, line 23, before the colon insert "Provided, That of this amount, no funds shall be available for construction of the Tokamak Physics Experiment, number 94-E-200, until a fair and impartial competitive site selection process has been completed by the Department of Energy."

###### AMENDMENT NO. 2020

On page 20, line 23, before the colon insert "Provided, That of this amount, no funds

shall be available for construction of the Elise project, number 96-E-310, until a fair and impartial competitive site selection process has been completed by the Department of Energy."

###### AMENDMENT NO. 2021

On page 25, line 17, before the period insert "Provided, That of this amount, no funds shall be available for construction of the National Ignition Facility, project number 96-D-111, until a fair and impartial competitive site selection process has been completed by the Department of Energy."

###### AMENDMENT NO. 2022

On page 25, line 17, before the period insert "Provided, That of this amount, no funds shall be available for construction of the ATLAS project, number 96-D-103, until a fair and impartial competitive site selection process has been completed by the Department of Energy."

###### AMENDMENT NO. 2023

On page 25, line 17, before the period insert "Provided, That of this amount, no funds shall be available for construction of the Process and Environmental Technology Laboratory, project number 96-D-104, until a fair and impartial competitive site selection process has been completed by the Department of Energy."

###### AMENDMENT NO. 2024

On page 20, line 23, before the colon insert "Provided, That of this amount, no funds shall be available for construction of the Center for Biomedical Technology Innovation until a fair and impartial competitive site selection process has been completed by the Department of Energy."

#### THE FOREIGN RELATIONS REVITALIZATION ACT OF 1995

##### DOLE (AND OTHERS) AMENDMENT NO. 2025

Mr. DOLE (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. LOTT, Mr. HELMS, and Mr. D'AMATO) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 908, supra; as follows:

On page 81, line 3, add the following:

(c) FURTHER CONDITIONAL AUTHORITY.—

(1) Of the funds authorized to be appropriated for Fiscal year 1996, in (a), \$3,500,000 shall be withheld from obligation until the Secretary of State certifies to the appropriate congressional committees, with respect to the United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women being held in Beijing, that no funds available to the Department of State were obligated or expended for United States participation in the United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women while Harry Wu, a United States citizen, was detained by the People's Republic of China.

(2) If the Secretary of State cannot make the certification in Section 301(c)(1), the withheld funds shall be returned to the U.S. Treasury.

##### HELMS AMENDMENT NO. 2026

Mr. HELMS proposed an amendment to amendment No. 2025 proposed by Mr. DOLE to the bill S. 908, supra; as follows:

At the end of the pending amendment, add the following:

##### SEC. . UNITED NATIONS DIPLOMATIC DEBTS.

Of the funds authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 1996 in section 201 and section

301, not less than \$20,000,000 shall be withheld from obligation until the Secretary of State reports to the Congress—

(1) the names of diplomatic personnel accredited to the United Nations or foreign missions to the United Nations, which have accrued overdue debts to businesses and individuals in the United States; and

(2) that the United Nations Secretary General is cooperating fully with the United States or taking effective steps on his own, including publishing the names of debtors, to resolve overdue debts owned by diplomats and missions accredited to the United Nations.

#### THE ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1996

##### BINGAMAN AMENDMENTS NOS. 2027-2028

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. BINGAMAN submitted two amendments intended to be proposed by him to the bill (H.R. 1905) making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes; as follows:

###### AMENDMENT NO. 2027

On line 17, line 2, before the period insert "Provided further, That none of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be made available for the construction of the Animas-La Plata project, Colorado and New Mexico, until the Secretary of the Interior reports to Congress regarding the feasibility of the Animas-La Plata project and completes a study and reports to Congress regarding feasible alternatives that may be available to fulfill the water rights of affected Indian tribes and the reasonably foreseeable water needs of communities in southwestern Colorado and northwestern New Mexico (including the feasibility of assigning water rights held in trust by the Secretary for New Mexico beneficiaries to appropriate New Mexico entities for their own use and development)".

###### AMENDMENT NO. 2028

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

##### SEC. . ENERGY SAVINGS AT FEDERAL FACILITIES.

(a) REDUCTION IN FACILITIES ENERGY COSTS.—The head of each agency for which funds are made available under this Act shall take all actions necessary to achieve during fiscal year 1996 a 5 percent reduction, from fiscal year 1995 levels, in the energy costs of the facilities used by the agency.

(b) USE OF COST SAVINGS.—An amount equal to the amount of cost savings realized by an agency under subsection (a) shall remain available for obligation through the end of fiscal year 1997, without further authorization or appropriation, as follows:

(1) CONSERVATION MEASURES.—Fifty percent of the amount shall remain available for the implementation of additional energy conservation measures and for water conservation measures at such facilities used by the agency as are designated by the head of the agency.

(2) OTHER PURPOSES.—Fifty percent of the amount shall remain available for use by the agency for such purposes as are designated by the head of the agency, consistent with applicable law.

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than December 31, 1996, the head of each agency described in