

## SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 7, 1997, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

## CONFIRMATION OF ALEXIS HERMAN AS SECRETARY OF LABOR

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Alabama [Mr. HILLIARD] is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. HILLIARD. Mr. Speaker, I am proud to rise to urge the confirmation of Alexis Herman as the next Secretary of Labor. Mrs. Herman will make a great Secretary. Her background is a modern day equivalent of being born in a log cabin, and her career successes mirror that of a Wall Street broker. That is an all-American combination.

Mrs. Herman is well aware of what this Nation needs to keep its labor force on the great track already established by the President. That is why she will make a great Secretary of Labor. She worked at the Labor Department during the Carter administration as the department director of the Women's Bureau, the youngest in history to hold that office. She did a tremendous job. She excelled in assisting women to find meaningful employment in those breakthrough years for women, and she will bring this same type of creativity, the same zeal with her as she confronts the issues of the 21st century.

Throughout her career, Alexis has been one who has tried to bring workers and employers together, white collars and blue collars, black and white, men and women together.

Mr. Speaker, we need a Secretary of Labor who will bring people together, who will aid and assist people in being trained for the new technologies and the new jobs of the 21st century. We need someone with the strength and the desire to bring diversity to the workplace. Alexis Herman is the one to deliver.

## RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE PERMANENT SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE, 105TH CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Florida [Mr. GOSS] is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the requirement of clause 2(a) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, I submit herewith the rules of the Committee on National Security for the 105th Congress and ask that they be printed in the RECORD at this point.

RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE PERMANENT SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE  
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## 1. CONVENING OF MEETINGS

The regular meeting day of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence for the

transaction of committee business shall be on the first Wednesday of each month, unless otherwise directed by the chairman.

In the case of any meeting of the committee, other than a regularly scheduled meeting, the clerk of the committee shall notify every member of the committee of the time and place of the meeting and shall give reasonable notice which, except in extraordinary circumstances, shall be at least 24 hours in advance of any meeting held in Washington, D.C., and at least 48 hours in the case of any meeting held outside Washington, D.C.

## 2. PREPARATIONS FOR COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Under direction of the chairman, designated committee staff members shall brief members of the committee at a time sufficiently prior to any committee or subcommittee meeting to assist the committee members in preparation for such meeting and to determine any matter which the committee members might wish considered during the meeting. Such briefing shall, at the request of a member, include a list of all pertinent papers and other materials that have been obtained by the committee that bear on matters to be considered at the meeting.

The staff director shall recommend to the chairman the testimony, papers, and other materials to be presented to the committee or subcommittee at any meeting. The determination whether such testimony, papers, and other materials shall be presented in open or executive session shall be made pursuant to the Rules of the House and these rules.

## 3. MEETING PROCEDURES

Meetings of the committee and its subcommittees shall be open to the public except that a portion or portions of any such meeting may be closed to the public if the committee or subcommittee, as the case may be, determines by record vote in open session and with a majority present that the matters to be discussed or the testimony to be taken on such matters would endanger national security, would compromise sensitive law enforcement information, or would tend to defame, degrade or incriminate any person, or otherwise would violate any law or rule of the House.

Except for purposes of taking testimony or receiving evidence, for which purposes a quorum shall consist of two committee members, a quorum for the transaction of any other committee business shall consist of nine committee members. Decisions of the committee shall be by majority vote of the members present and voting.

Whenever the committee by rollcall vote reports any measure or matter, the report of the committee upon such measure or matter shall include a tabulation of the votes cast in favor of and the votes cast in opposition to such measure or matter.

## 4. PROCEDURES RELATED TO THE TAKING OF TESTIMONY

Notice.—Reasonable notice shall be given to all witnesses appearing before the committee.

Oath or Affirmation.—Testimony of witnesses shall be given under oath or affirmation which may be administered by any member of the committee, except that the chairman of the committee or of any subcommittee shall not require an oath or affirmation where the chairman determines that it would not be appropriate under the circumstances.

Interrogation.—Committee or subcommittee interrogation shall be conducted by members of the committee and such committee staff as are authorized by the chairman or the presiding member.

Counsel for the Witness.—(A) Any witness may be accompanied by counsel. A witness

who is unable to obtain counsel may inform the committee of such fact. If the witness informs the committee of this fact at least 24 hours prior to the witness' appearance before the committee, the committee shall then endeavor to obtain voluntary counsel for the witness. Failure to obtain such counsel will not excuse the witness from appearing and testifying.

(B) Counsel shall conduct themselves in an ethical and professional manner. Failure to do so shall, upon a finding to that effect by a majority of the members of the committee, a majority being present, subject such counsel to disciplinary action which may include censure, removal, or a recommendation of contempt proceedings, except that the chairman of the committee or of a subcommittee may temporarily remove counsel during proceedings before the committee or subcommittee unless a majority of the members of the committee or subcommittee, a majority being present, vote to reverse the ruling of the chair.

(C) There shall be no direct cross-examination by counsel. However, counsel may submit in writing any question counsel wishes propounded to a client or to any other witness and may, at the conclusion of such testimony, suggest the presentation of other evidence or the calling of other witnesses. The committee or subcommittee may use such questions and dispose of such suggestions as it deems appropriate.

Statements by Witnesses.—A witness may make a statement, which shall be brief and relevant, at the beginning and conclusion of the witness' testimony. Such statements shall not exceed a reasonable period of time as determined by the chairman, or other presiding member. Any witness desiring to make a prepared or written statement for the record of the proceedings shall file a copy with the clerk of the committee, and insofar as practicable and consistent with the notice given, shall do so at least 72 hours in advance of the witness' appearance before the committee.

Objections and Ruling.—Any objection raised by a witness or counsel shall be ruled upon by the chairman or other presiding member, and such ruling shall be the ruling of the committee unless a majority of the committee present overrules the ruling of the chair.

Transcripts.—A transcript shall be made of the testimony of each witness appearing before the committee or any subcommittee during a committee or subcommittee hearing.

Inspection and Correction.—All witnesses testifying before the committee or any subcommittee shall be given a reasonable opportunity to inspect the transcript of their testimony to determine whether such testimony was correctly transcribed. The witness may be accompanied by counsel. Any corrections the witness desires to make in the transcript shall be submitted in writing to the committee within 5 days from the date when the transcript was made available to the witness. Corrections shall be limited to grammar and minor editing, and may not be made to change the substance of the testimony. Any questions arising with respect to such corrections shall be decided by the chairman. Upon request, those parts of testimony given by a witness in executive session which are subsequently quoted or made part of a public record shall be made available to that witness at the witness' expense.

Requests to Testify.—The committee or subcommittee will consider requests to testify on any matter or measure pending before the committee or subcommittee. A person who believes that testimony or other evidence presented at a public hearing, or any comment made by a committee member