

the floor in order to better understand the recommendations of the committee. The classified annex to the committee's report contains the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence's recommendations on the intelligence budget for fiscal year 1999 and related classified information that may not be publicly disclosed.

It is important that Members keep in mind the requirements of clause 13 of rule 43 of the House adopted at beginning of the 104th Congress. That rule, as Members will recall, only permits access to the classified information by those Members of the House who have signed the oath set out in Rule 43.

Obviously, the committee will assist any Member who wishes to sign such an oath, and there are other details of the procedure that Members can find out by calling the committee.

I very much encourage Members to take advantage of this, because obviously there are some things we cannot discuss publicly here and I want to make sure all Members are comfortable with all aspects of what we are doing in our committee.

#### JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 5 of rule I, the pending business is the question of agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of the last day's proceedings.

The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

#### LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

(Mr. FAZIO of California asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. FAZIO of California. Mr. Speaker, I take this time so that so I may yield to the majority whip to outline the schedule for next week.

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. FAZIO of California. I yield to the gentleman from Texas.

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Speaker, I thank the distinguished gentleman from California (Mr. FAZIO), chairman of the Democratic Caucus, for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to announce that we have concluded legislative business for the week and that the House will next meet on Monday, May 4, at 2 p.m. for pro forma session. There will be no legislative business and no votes that day.

On Tuesday, May 5, the House will meet at 12:30 p.m. for morning hour and at 2 p.m. for legislative business.

On Tuesday we will consider a number of bills under suspension of the rules, a list of which will be distributed to the Members' offices. But Members should know that we do not expect any recorded votes before 5 o'clock on May 5.

On Wednesday, May 6, and the balance of the week, the House will meet at 10 a.m. for legislative business.

On Tuesday evening we could resume H.R. 6, or we could pick it up again on Wednesday, but we do hope to continue consideration of H.R. 6, the Higher Education Amendments of 1998.

Also on Wednesday and throughout the balance of the week the House will consider the following legislation: H.R. 1872, the Communications Satellite Competition and Privatization Act of 1997; H.R. 10, the Financial Services Competition Act of 1997; and H.R. 3694, the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999.

Mr. Speaker, we hope to conclude legislative business for the week by 2 p.m. on Friday, May 8.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding me this time.

Mr. FAZIO of California. Mr. Speaker, reclaiming my time, I have a few questions I would like to pose to the majority whip. First of all, does the gentleman really anticipate any late nights next week? I am happy to yield for a response.

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Speaker, Wednesday and Thursday could be late nights. But we do not like late nights, so we are going to discourage them as much as we can.

Mr. FAZIO of California. Mr. Speaker, again reclaiming my time and then I will yield further, in reference to the Higher Education bill, can we anticipate that the Riggs amendment, which has been so hotly debated, will take place on Wednesday so Members who wish to participate and vote on that can be assured that it will not occur on Tuesday night?

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the gentleman again yielding, I just want to say that we are trying to work that out with the gentleman's side of the aisle. Certainly, we will come to some sort of agreement before we move on the Riggs amendment. We want to cooperate with everyone and make sure that everyone has an opportunity to debate that bill.

As soon as we know what the gentleman's side wants and what we agree to, then we will announce it to the membership.

Mr. FAZIO of California. Mr. Speaker, I think it does appear at end of the bill so it would be very likely to be the last debate prior to final passage, I would assume.

Mr. DELAY. I hope we can work it out.

Mr. FAZIO of California. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for that assurance. Let me also ask, given the fact that we have Mother's Day week-end coming, I know that the gentleman from Texas would be sensitive to the issue of Friday votes. Is it possible that votes on Friday may not occur, or is this just simply a reservation to assure that we would accomplish the main goals of the week?

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the gentleman yielding again and would say that if we have the kind of cooperation we got today from his side, we possibly may not have votes on Fri-

day. But I think Members should anticipate that we could have votes on Friday. We are going to work as hard as we can to avoid that, but we cannot guarantee that that will not happen.

Right now we are telling Members that we will have votes on Friday up until about 2 p.m.

Mr. FAZIO of California. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate that. Let me ask one further question, Mr. Speaker, and I would be happy to yield to the gentleman for an answer.

Where are we on working out the details under which we will take up campaign finance reform on the floor? How close are we, and what kind of a rule are we going to be dealing with? Obviously, there is a great deal of interest on our side in this regard.

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Mr. DELAY. We want to make sure that this is an open and honest process, an honest debate. So your side will be consulted, even before we go to rules.

The Committee on Rules chairman has been charged by the Speaker to write an open rule so that every Member, both Democrat and Republican, will have an opportunity to address the issues that are important to them. We want to make sure that the gentleman's side is as happy with the rule as we are, and that we have an open rule.

Mr. FAZIO of California. I appreciate that. And I see the gentleman from upstate New York (Mr. SOLOMON), my friend, shaking his head. He is committed, and we look forward to working that out with the majority.

#### ADJOURNMENT TO MONDAY, MAY 4, 1998

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday next.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

#### HOUR OF MEETING ON TUESDAY, MAY 5, 1998

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns on Monday, May 4, 1998, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 5, for morning hour debates.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

#### DISPENSING WITH CALENDAR WEDNESDAY BUSINESS ON WEDNESDAY NEXT

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday next.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?