

Mr. SHERMAN.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. CHENOWETH. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 39 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, May 12, 1998, at 12:30 p.m., for morning hour debates.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS,
ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

9035. A letter from the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Pyriproxyfen; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions [OPP-300651; FRL-5788-2] (RIN: 2070-AB78) received May 6, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

9036. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Bentazon; Extension of Tolerance for Emergency Exemptions [OPP-300646; FRL-5787-4] (RIN: 2070-AB78) received May 6, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

9037. A letter from the Administrator, Food Safety and Inspection Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Elimination of Prior Approval Requirements for Establishment Drawings and Specifications, Equipment, and Certain Partial Quality Control Programs [Docket No. 95-032F] (RIN: 0583-AB93) received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

9038. A letter from the Mayor, District of Columbia, transmitting the District of Columbia Government's report on Anti-Deficiency Act violations for fiscal year 1997 covering the period October 1, 1996 through September 30, 1997, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1351; to the Committee on Appropriations.

9039. A letter from the Judge Advocate General, Department of the Navy, transmitting the Department's final rule—Department of the Navy Acquisition Regulations; Shipbuilding Capability Preservation Agreements [48 CFR Part 5231] received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on National Security.

9040. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Reserve Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting a plan to ensure that, on and after September 30, 2007, all military technician positions are held only by dual status military technicians, pursuant to Public Law 105-85; to the Committee on National Security.

9041. A letter from the Administrator, Panama Canal Commission, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to authorize expenditures for fiscal year 1999 for the operation and maintenance of the Panama Canal, and for other purposes, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1110; to the Committee on National Security.

9042. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting notification that the Secretary has approved the retirement of General George K. Muellner, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on National Security.

9043. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's semiannual report on the activities and efforts relating to utilization of the private sector, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1827; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

9044. A letter from the General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Investment and Deposit Activities; Corporate Credit Unions [12 CFR Parts 703 and 704] received May 5, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

9045. A letter from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the results of the third annual "Comprehensive Needs Assessments"; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

9046. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the fiscal year 1996 annual report on occupational safety and health, prepared by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), pursuant to 29 U.S.C. 671(f); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

9047. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Mine Safety and Health, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule—Safety Standards for Roof Bolts in Metal and Nonmetal Mines and Underground Coal Mines (RIN: 1219-AB00) received April 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

9048. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Occupational Safety and Health, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule—Respiratory Protection; Correction [Docket No. H-049] (RIN: 1218-AA05) received April 28, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

9049. A letter from the Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting the Energy Information Administration's "International Energy Outlook 1998," pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 790f(a)(2); to the Committee on Commerce.

9050. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting the Department's Annual Report for the Strategic Petroleum Reserve, covering calendar year 1997, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 6245(a); to the Committee on Commerce.

9051. A letter from the Director, Office of Rulemaking Coordination, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule—Property Management Regulations (RIN: 1991-AA28) received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9052. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval of Section 112(l) Authority for Hazardous Air Pollutants; Perchloroethylene Air Emission Standards for Dry Cleaning Facilities; State of California; South Coast Air Quality Management District [FRL-6001-3] received May 6, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9053. A letter from the Acting Inspector General, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the annual report to Congress summarizing the Office of Inspector General's work in the Environmental Protection Agency's Superfund program for fiscal 1997, pursuant to Public Law 99-499, section 120(e)(5) (100 Stat. 1669); to the Committee on Commerce.

9054. A letter from the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting a report on the "Status of the State

Small Business Stationary Source Technical and Environmental Compliance Programs (SBTCP) for the Reporting Period, January—December 1996"; to the Committee on Commerce.

9055. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Standards for Business Practices of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines [Docket No. RM96-1-007, Order No. 587-G] received May 6, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9056. A letter from the Secretary, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Guides for the Use of Environmental Marketing Claims (16 CFR Part 260) received April 23, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

9057. A letter from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's report entitled "Report to Congress on Abnormal Occurrences, Fiscal Year 1997," for events at nuclear facilities, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 5848; to the Committee on Commerce.

9058. A letter from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting a report on the nondisclosure of safeguards information for the quarter ending March 31, 1998, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 2167(e); to the Committee on Commerce.

9059. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification that effective April 12, 1998, the danger pay allowance for Liberia has been eliminated, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5928; to the Committee on International Relations.

9060. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's final rule—Documentation of Nonimmigrants Under the Immigration and Nationality Act, as Amended—Fees for Application and Issuance of Nonimmigrant Visas [22 CFR Part 41] received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

9061. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report on the activities of the Multinational Force and Observers (MFO) and certain financial information concerning U.S. Government participation in that organization for the period from January 16, 1996 to January 15, 1998, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 3425; to the Committee on International Relations.

9062. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting draft legislative initiatives to amend or create expanded authorities under the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended and the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on International Relations.

9063. A letter from the Interim District of Columbia Auditor, District of Columbia, transmitting a report entitled "Audit of the People's Counsel Agency Fund for Fiscal Years 1995 and 1996," pursuant to D.C. Code section 47-117(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9064. A letter from the Executive Director, Committee for Purchase from People Who are Blind or Severely Disabled, transmitting the Committee's final rule—Additions to and Deletions from the Procurement List—received May 7, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9065. A letter from the Manager, Benefits Communications, Farm Credit Bank of Wichita, transmitting the annual report for the Ninth Farm Credit District Pension Plan for

the plan year ending December 31, 1996, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9503(a)(1)(B); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9066. A letter from the Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting the 1995-1996 report to Congress on programs for the utilization and donation of Federal personal property, pursuant to Public Law 100-612, section 5 (102 Stat. 3181); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

9067. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule—Royalties on Gas, Gas Analysis Reports, Oil and Gas Production Measurement, Surface Commingling, and Security (RIN: 1010-AC23) received April 24, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

9068. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Oregon [OR 66-7281a; FRL-6006-8] received May 6, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

9069. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Shallow-water Species Fishery by Vessels using Trawl Gear in the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No. 971208297-8054-02; I.D. 050198A] received May 7, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

9070. A letter from the Director, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, transmitting the Office's final rule—Louisiana Regulatory Program [SPATS No. LA-017-FOR] received May 6, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

9071. A letter from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to compensate certain Indian Tribes for known errors in their Tribal trust fund accounts, to establish a process for settling other disputes regarding Tribal trust fund accounts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

9072. A letter from the Chief Justice, Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting amendments to the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure that have been adopted by the Supreme Court of the United States, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 2072; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

9073. A letter from the Acting Assistant Attorney General of the United States, Department of Justice, transmitting claims for damages caused by the FBI, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3724(b); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

9074. A letter from the Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting the annual listing of all grants awarded pursuant to the DNA Identification Act of 1994, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 3796kk-5; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

9075. A letter from the Chairman, United States Sentencing Commission, transmitting the Commission's amendments to the sentencing guidelines, policy statements, and commentary, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 994(p); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

9076. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary (Civil Works), Department of the Army, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, and for other

purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9077. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to direct the Secretary of Transportation to provide grants for planning and project implementation to improve transportation at international border crossings and along major trade corridors, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

9078. A letter from the Associate Deputy Administrator for Government Contracting and Minority Enterprise Development, Small Business Administration, transmitting a report on Minority Small Business and Capital Ownership Development for fiscal year 1997, pursuant to Public Law 100-656, section 408 (102 Stat. 3877); to the Committee on Small Business.

9079. A letter from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting the quarterly report on the expenditure and need for worker adjustment assistance training funds under the Trade Act of 1974, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 2296(a) (2); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

9080. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule—Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings: Administrative Protective Order Procedures; Procedures for Imposing Sanctions for Violation of a Protective Order [Docket No. 960123011-8040-02] (RIN: 0625-AA43) received May 4, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

9081. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting a report on the initial estimate of the applicable percentage increase in inpatient hospital payment rates for fiscal year (FY) 1999, pursuant to Public Law 101-508, section 4002(g)(1)(B) (104 Stat. 1388-36); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

9082. A letter from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting the annual report on trade readjustment allowances (TRA), pursuant to section 231(c) (3) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

9083. A letter from the Under Secretary for Acquisition and Technology, Department of Defense, transmitting notification of a delay in submitting the Annual Counterproliferation Review Committee Report to Congress; jointly to the Committees on National Security and International Relations.

9084. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting four items of proposed legislation that address several concerns of the Department of Defense; jointly to the Committees on National Security and Transportation and Infrastructure.

9085. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting several drafts of proposed legislation that address several management concerns of the Department of Defense; jointly to the Committees on National Security and International Relations.

9086. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the 1997 annual report on the activities of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation relating to the supervision of banks or departments of banks that are operating as municipal securities brokers or dealers, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 78w(b); jointly to the Committees on Banking and Financial Services and Commerce.

9087. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Medicare Program; Scope of Medicare Benefits and Application of the Outpatient Mental Health Treatment

Limitations to Clinical Psychologists and Clinical Social Worker Services [HCFA-3706-F] (RIN: 0938-AE99) received April 27, 1998, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); jointly to the Committees on Commerce and Ways and Means.

9088. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's Federal Equal Opportunity Recruitment Program for Fiscal Year 1997, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 3905(d)(2); jointly to the Committees on International Relations and Government Reform and Oversight.

9089. A letter from the Director, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, as amended, to extend the authorization of appropriations for the Office of Government Ethics through fiscal year 2007, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1110; jointly to the Committees on the Judiciary and Government Reform and Oversight.

9090. A letter from the Director, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting the Office's Fifth Biennial Report to the Congress, pursuant to Public Law 95-452, section 408 (102 Stat. 3032); jointly to the Committees on the Judiciary and Government Reform and Oversight.

9091. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting the crude oil tanker ballast facility study, pursuant to Public Law 104-332, section 2(b)(2) (110 Stat. 4081); jointly to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and Resources.

9092. A letter from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to reform and improve the administration of certain programs of the Department of Agriculture, and for other purposes; jointly to the Committees on Agriculture, Ways and Means, and Commerce.

9093. A letter from the General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting proposals of legislation that address several management concerns of the Department of Defense; jointly to the Committees on National Security, Government Reform and Oversight, and the Judiciary.

9094. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting drafts of 2 proposals of legislation, to establish a more effective organization and financing structure for air traffic services and investments within the Federal Aviation Administration and to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 1999-2002, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1110; jointly to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, Ways and Means, the Budget, and Rules.

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:

[Submitted May 8, 1998]

Mr. ARCHER: Committee on Ways and Means. H.R. 2431. A bill 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; with an amendment (Rept. 105-480, Pt. 2). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. HYDE: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 2431. A bill 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; with an