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REPORT CONCERNING THE EXTENSION OF WAIVER AUTHORITY FOR BELARUS—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—PM 134

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

*To the Congress of the United States:*

I hereby transmit the document referred to in subsection 402(d)(1) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (the "Act"), with respect to the continuation of a waiver of application of subsections (a) and (b) of section 402 of the Act. This document constitutes my recommendation to continue in effect this waiver for a further 12-month period and includes my determination that continuation of the waiver currently in effect for the Republic of Belarus will substantially promote the objectives of section 402 of the Act, and my reasons for such determination. I will submit separate reports with respect to Vietnam and the People's Republic of China.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, June 3, 1998.

REPORT CONCERNING THE EXTENSION OF WAIVER AUTHORITY FOR VIETNAM—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—PM 135

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

*To the Congress of the United States:*

I hereby transmit the document referred to in subsection 402(d)(1) of the Trade Act of 1974 (the "Act"), as amended, with respect to the continuation of a waiver of application of subsections (a) and (b) of section 402 of the Act to Vietnam. This document constitutes my recommendation to continue in effect this waiver for a further 12-month period and includes my determination that continuation of the waiver currently in effect for Vietnam will substantially promote the objectives of section 402 of the Act, and my reasons for such determination.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, June 3, 1998.

REPORT CONCERNING THE EXTENSION OF WAIVER AUTHORITY FOR THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—PM 136

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United

States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

*To the Congress of the United States:*

I hereby transmit the document referred to in subsection 402(d)(1) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (the "Act"), with respect to the continuation of a waiver of application of subsections (a) and (b) of section 402 of the Act to the People's Republic of China. This document constitutes my recommendation to continue in effect this waiver for a further 12-month period and includes my determination that continuation of the waiver currently in effect for the People's Republic of China will substantially promote the objectives of section 402 of the Act, and my reasons for such determinations.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, June 3, 1998.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:49 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2798. An act to redesignate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 2419 West Monroe Street, in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Nancy B. Jefferson Post Office Building."

H.R. 2799. An act to redesignate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 324 South Laramie Street, in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Reverend Milton R. Brunston Post Office Building."

H.R. 3504. An act to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and to further define the criteria for capital repair and operation and maintenance.

H.R. 3630. An act to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9719 Candelaria Road NE., in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Steven Schiff Post Office."

H.R. 3808. An act to designate the United States Post Office located at 47526 Clipper Drive in Plymouth, Michigan, as the "Carl D. Pursell Post Office."

H.R. 3978. An act to restore the provision agreed to the conferees to H.R. 2400, entitled the "Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century," but not included in the conference report to H.R. 2400, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 1244. An act to amend title 11, United States Code, to protect certain charitable contributions, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 7:11 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hanrahan, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill;

H.R. 824. An act to redesignate the Federal building located at 717 Madison Place, N.W., in the District of Columbia, as the "Howard T. Markey National Courts Building."

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and second times by unanimous consent and referred as indicated:

H.R. 2798. An act to redesignate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 2419 West Monroe Street, in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Nancy B. Jefferson Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 2799. An act to redesignate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 324 South Laramie Street in Chicago, Illinois, as the "Reverend Milton R. Brunston Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3504. An act to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and to further define the criteria for capital repair and operation and maintenance; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 3630. An act to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9719 Candelaria Road NE., in Albuquerque, New Mexico, as the "Seven Schiff Post Office"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 3808. An act to designate the United States Post Office located at 47526 Clipper Drive in Plymouth, Michigan, as the "Carl D. Pursell Post Office"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on June 4, 1998 he has presented to the President of the United States, the following enrolled bill:

S. 1605. An act to establish a matching grant program to help State and local jurisdictions purchase armor vests for use by law enforcement departments.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-5196. A communication from the Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "1998 Amendment to Cotton Board Rules and Regulations Adjusting Supplemental Assessment on Imports" (Docket CN-98-002) received on May 28, 1998; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5197. A communication from the Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazelnuts Grown in Oregon and Washington; Establishment of Interim and Final Free and Restricted Percentages for the 1997-98 Marketing Year" (Docket FV98-982-1 FIR) received on May 28, 1998; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5198. A communication from the Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Melons Grown in South Texas; Decreased Assessment Rate" (Docket FV98-979-1 FIR) received on May 28, 1998; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5199. A communication from the Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Grapes Grown in a Designated Area

of Southeastern California and Imported Table Grapes; Revision in Minimum Grade, Container, and Pack Requirements" (Docket FV98-925-3 FIR) received on May 28, 1998; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5200. A communication from the Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Sweet Onions Grown in the Walla Walla Valley of Southeast Washington and Northeast Oregon; Increased Assessment Rate" (Docket FV98-956-2 FR) received on May 28, 1998; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5201. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Commuted Traveltime Periods: Overtime Services Relating to Imports and Exports" (Docket 98-051-1) received on May 28, 1998; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5202. A communication from the Administrator of the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "General Regulations and Standards for Certain Agricultural Commodities" (RIN0580-AA54) received on May 28, 1998; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5203. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "Department of Agriculture Fee Act"; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5204. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a certification regarding a multiyear contract for the Family of Medium Tactical Wheeled Vehicles program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5205. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the weapons storage security project and a certification regarding strategic offensive arms; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5206. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Response to Recommendations Concerning Improvements to Department of Defense Joint Manpower Process"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5207. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Waiver of Domestic Source Restrictions" (Case 97-D321) received on May 26, 1998; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5208. A communication from the Director of the Washington Headquarters Services, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS); Waiver of Collection of Payments Due From Certain Persons Unaware of Loss of CHAMPUS Eligibility" (RIN0720-AA43) received on May 26, 1998; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5209. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Department of Defense Panel to Study Military Justice in the National Guard Not in Federal Service; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5210. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, transmitting, pursuant to law, a re-

port entitled "Assessment of Reports from the Military Departments on Sexual Harassment Complaints"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5211. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Strategy and Threat Reduction, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Russian Plutonium Production Reactor Core Conversion Project"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5212. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the best commercial inventory practices; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5213. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Branch, United States Customs Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prior Disclosure" (RIN1515-AB98) received on May 26, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5214. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Branch, United States Customs Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emissions Standards for Imported Nonroad Engines" (RIN1515-AC28) received on May 26, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5215. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Branch, United States Customs Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Automated Clearinghouse Credit" (RIN1515-AC26) received on May 26, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5216. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Branch, United States Customs Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Procedural Change Regarding American Shooks and Staves" (RIN1515-AC18) received on May 28, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5217. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Contingency Fund; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5218. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Surety Bond Requirements for Home Health Agencies" (RIN0938-A186) received on May 29, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5219. A communication from the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "1996 National Water Quality Inventory Report"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5220. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule regarding Air Quality Implementation Plans in the District of Columbia (FRL6103-3) received on May 26, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5221. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of two rules regarding lead hazard education and Wyoming landfill gas emissions (FRL5751-7, FRL6104-7) received on May 28, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5222. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the

report of a rule entitled "Identification of Ozone Areas Attaining the 1-Hour Standard and to Which the 1-Hour Standard is No Longer Applicable" (FRL6105-6) received on May 29, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5223. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation to grant the District of Columbia control over local revenues; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5224. A communication from the Interim District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Review of The Financial And Administrative Activities of The Boxing and Wrestling Commission For Fiscal Years 1996 and 1997"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5225. A communication from the Director of Corporate Audits and Standards, Accounting and Information Management Division, General Accounting Office, transmitting, a report entitled "Congressional Award Foundation's 1997 and 1996 Financial Statements"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5226. A communication from the Administrator of the Panama Canal Commission, transmitting, a report entitled "Financial Statements For the Years Ended September 30, 1997 and 1996 Together With Auditors' Report"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5227. A communication from the Office of the Public Printer, U.S. Government Printing Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 1997, through March 31, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5228. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report under the Inspector General Act for the period October 1, 1997 through March 31, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5229. A communication from the Director of the Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Employees Health Benefits Program: Removal of Minimum Salary Requirement" (RIN3206-AI05) received on May 28, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5230. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the period October 1, 1997 through March 31, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5231. A communication from the Chairman and the General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period April 1, 1997 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5232. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Inspector General for the period October 1, 1997 through March 31, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5233. A communication from the Chairman of the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Financial Plan and Budget for the District of Columbia for fiscal year 1999; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-5234. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for the period October 1, 1997 through March 31, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.