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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