

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

The House passed H.R. 6, Marriage Penalty and Family Tax Relief.
House Committee ordered reported the Death Tax Elimination Act of 2001.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3069–S3181

Measures Introduced: Twenty-one bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 644–664, and S. Res. 65. **Pages S3151–52**

Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled “Report on the Activities of the Committee on Finance of the United States Senate During the 106th Congress”. (S. Rept. No. 107–8)

Special Report entitled “Legislative Activities Report of the Committee on Foreign Relations”. (S. Rept. No. 107–9) **Page S3150**

Campaign Finance Reform: Senate continued consideration of S. 27, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide bipartisan campaign reform, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S3070–S3141**

Adopted:

Bingaman Amendment No. 157, to require the Presidential Inaugural Committee to disclose donations and prohibit foreign nationals from making donations to such Committee. **Pages S3110–11**

Nelson Amendment No. 159, to prohibit fraudulent solicitation of funds. **Page S3122**

By 82 yeas to 17 nays (Vote No. 61), Specter Modified Amendment No. 140, to provide findings regarding the current state of campaign finance laws and to clarify the definition of electioneering communication. **Pages S3070, S3118–23**

Dodd (for Kerry) Amendment No. 160, to provide a study of the effects of State laws that provide public financing of elections. **Pages S3123–24**

Levin Amendment No. 161, to amend the definition of Federal election activity as it applies to State, district, or local committees of political parties. **Pages S3124–26**

Durbin/Cochran Amendment No. 162, to establish clarity standards for identification of sponsors in certain election-related advertising. **Pages S3126–27**

Dodd (for Thompson) Amendment No. 163, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to enhance criminal penalties for election law violations. **Pages S3127–28**

Rejected:

By 28 yeas to 72 nays (Vote No. 57), DeWine Amendment No. 152, to strike certain provisions relating to non-candidate campaign expenditures, including rules relating to certain targeted electioneering communications. **Pages S3070–76**

By 32 yeas to 67 nays (Vote No. 58), Harkin/Wellstone Amendment No. 155, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for a voluntary system of spending limits with respect to Senate election campaigns. **Pages S3077–86**

Frist/Breaux Modified Amendment No. 156, to make certain provisions nonseverable, and to provide for expedited judicial review of any provision of, or amendment made by, this Act. (By 57 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 59), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S3087–S3105**

Bingaman Amendment No. 158, to provide candidates for election to Federal office with the opportunity to respond to negative political advertisements sponsored by noncandidates. (By 72 yeas to 28 nays (Vote No. 60), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S3111–17**

Pending:

Reed Amendment No. 164, to make amendments regarding the enforcement authority and procedures of the Federal Election Commission. **Pages S3128–48**

A unanimous-consent time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill and certain amendments to be proposed thereto, on Friday, March 30, 2001, with votes on pending amendments to occur beginning at 11:00 a.m. Further,

Senate will resume consideration of the bill on Monday, April 2, 2001, with a vote on final passage to occur at 5:30 p.m.

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Appointments:

U.S. Merchant Marine Academy: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to Title 46, Section 1295(b), of the U.S.Code, as amended by Public Law 101-595, and upon the recommendation of the Chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, appointed the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U. S. Merchant Marine Academy: Senator McCain, ex officio, as Chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation; and Senator Snowe, Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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U.S. Coast Guard Academy: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 14 U.S.C. 194(a), as amended by Public Law 101-595, and upon the recommendation of the Chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, appointed the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U. S. Coast Guard Academy: Senator McCain, ex officio, as Chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation; and Senator Fitzgerald, Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Charles S. Abell, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Grant D. Aldonas, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade.

Brenda L. Becker, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

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Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—61) Pages S3076, S3086, S3105, S3117, S3122-23

Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 9:30 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Friday, March 30, 2001. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of

the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3180.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BIOMASS AND ENVIRONMENTAL TRADING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings to examine issues related to progress and funding of research to promote the conversion of biomass into biobased, chemicals, fuels, and other industrial products, products which are derived from plant material, after receiving testimony from David Batchelor, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, Lansing; Bruce E. Dale, Michigan State University Department of Chemical Engineering, East Lansing; Patrick R. Gruber, Cargill Dow, Minnetonka, Minnesota; Robert L. Judd, Jr., USA Biomass Power Producers Alliance, Sacramento, California; Edward L. Woolsey, Iowa-Sustainable Energy for Economic Development, Prole; Richard L. Sandor, Environmental Financial Products, Chicago, Illinois, on behalf of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development; Bruce A. McCarl, Texas A&M University Department of Agricultural Economics, College Station; Gary Kaster, American Electric Power Company, McConnellsville, Ohio; John Kadyszewski, Winrock International, Morrilton, Arkansas; Robert Bonnie, Environmental Defense, and Jeff Fiedler, Natural Resources Defense Council, both of Washington, D.C.; and Jim Kinsella, Lexington, Illinois

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 3,920 military nominations in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force.

PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities and Investment concluded hearings on S. 206, to repeal the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, and to enact the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 2001, after receiving testimony from Isaac C. Hunt, Jr., Commissioner, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission; Cynthia A. Marlette, Deputy General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy; David M. Sparby, Xcel Energy Inc., Minneapolis, Minnesota; David L. Sokol, MidAmerican Energy Holdings Company, Des Moines, Iowa; and Charles A. Acquard, National Association of State Utility Consumer Advocates, Silver Spring, Maryland.

AVIATION DELAY PREVENTION ACT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation concluded hearings on S. 633, to provide for the review and management of airport congestion, after receiving testimony from Susan McDermott, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Transportation for Aviation and International Affairs; Edward A. Merlis, Air Transport Association of America, Deborah C. McElroy, Regional Airline Association, and Ronald Swanda, General Aviation Manufacturers Association, all of Washington, D.C.; Jeffrey P. Fegan, Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport, Dallas, Texas; and Charles Barclay, Alexandria, Virginia, on behalf of the American Association of Airport Executives and the Airports Council International—North America.

NATIONAL PARKS OMNIBUS MANAGEMENT ACT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation concluded oversight hearings to review the National Park Service's implementation of management policies and procedures to comply with the provisions of Titles I, II, III, V, VI, VII, and VIII of the National Parks Omnibus Management Act of 1998, after receiving testimony from Denis P. Galvin, Acting Director, National Park Service, Department of the Interior; Peter J. Ward, Washington, D.C., and Greg Jackson, Santa Monica, California, both on behalf of the Fraternal Order of Police; Scot McElveen, Santa Monica, California, on behalf of the Association of National Park Rangers; and Jay Vestal, National Park Foundation, Washington, D.C.

NATIONAL FIRE PLAN

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management concluded oversight hearings on the implementation of the Administration's National Fire Plan, after receiving testimony from Lyle Laverty, Associate Deputy Chief and National Fire Plan Coordinator, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Tim Hartzell, Director, Office of Wildland Fire Coordination, Department of the Interior; James E. Hubbard, Colorado State Forester, Fort Collins, on behalf of the National Association of State Foresters; Betty Vega, Cooperative Ownership Development Corporation, Silver City, New Mexico; Nils D. Christoffersen, Wallowa Resources, Enterprise, Oregon; Nancy Farr, Forest Stewardship Project, Twisp, Washington; Celia Headley, Eugene, Oregon, on behalf of the Alliance of Forest Workers and Harvesters; Lynn Jungwirth, Watershed Center, Hayfork, California; G. Thomas Bancroft, Wilderness Society, Steve

Holmer, American Lands Alliance, both of Washington, D.C.; Tom Nelson, Sierra Pacific Industries, Redding, California, on behalf of the American Forest and Paper Association; and David W. Smith, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, on behalf of the Society of American Foresters.

FEDERAL DEBT REDUCTION

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded hearings to examine issues related to Federal debt reduction as part of prioritizing the projected budget surpluses among competing priorities, such as tax cuts, Social Security and Medicare, after receiving testimony from Gary Gensler, Bethesda, Maryland, former Under Secretary of Treasury for Domestic Finance; and James C. Miller III, Citizens for a Sound Economy, Washington, D.C., former Director, Office of Management and Budget.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings on the nominations of Kenneth W. Dam, of Illinois, to be Deputy Secretary, David Aufhauser, of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel, and Michele A. Davis, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, all of the Department of the Treasury, and Faryar Shirzad, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Import Administration, where the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of John Robert Bolton, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Warner, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

HEALTHY AGING IN RURAL AMERICA

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine certain initiatives that promote and support healthy aging in rural America, focusing on certain areas that impact the lives of older Americans, including transportation, housing, access to high-quality health care, diet and nutrition, and employment, after receiving testimony from Jon E. Burkhardt, WESTAT, Rockville, Maryland; Hilda Heady, West Virginia Rural Health Education Partnerships, Morgantown, on behalf of the National Rural Health Association; James Sykes, University of Wisconsin Medical Center Department of Preventive Medicine, Madison, on behalf of the National Council on the Aging; Melinda M. Adams, Boise, Idaho, on behalf of the Idaho Commission on Aging and

the National Association of Older Worker Employment Services; and Jane V. White, Knoxville, Ten-

nessee, on behalf of the American Dietetic Association.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 42 public bills, H.R. 7, 1287–1327; 6 resolutions, H.J. Res. 42; H. Con. Res. 90–92, and H. Res. 108–109, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: No Reports were filed today.

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, the Rev. Willie T. Lockett, St. Martha Missionary Baptist Church, of Oak Hill, Florida.

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Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Wednesday, March 29 by a recorded vote of 354 ayes to 62 noes, Roll No. 72.

Pages H1297, H1302

Marriage Penalty and Family Tax Relief: The House passed H.R. 6, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce the marriage penalty by providing for adjustments to the standard deduction, 15-percent rate bracket, and earned income credit and to allow the nonrefundable personal credits against regular and minimum tax liability by a ye and nay vote of 282 yeas to 144 nays, Roll No. 75.

Pages H1302–29

Rejected the Rangel motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means with instructions to report it back with an amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to provide a year 2000 tax refund of \$300 for individuals or \$600 for married couples filing a joint return by a recorded vote of 184 ayes to 240 noes, Roll No. 74.

Pages H1318–26

Agreed to the Committee on Ways and Means amendment in the nature of a substitute, as modified, made in order by the rule.

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Earlier, the House agreed to the Pryce unanimous consent request to modify the Committee on Ways and Means amendment now printed in the bill (H. Rept. 107–29). The modification dealt with the limitation of the credit allowed against the alternative minimum tax.

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Rejected the Rangel amendment in the nature of a substitute that sought to create a new 12 percent tax rate, increase the earned income tax credit, create a standard deduction for married couples equal to twice the standard available to single individuals,

and provide marriage penalty relief in the earned income credit and rate reductions (rejected by a ye and nay vote of 196 yeas to 231 nays, Roll No. 73).

Pages H1326–28

Earlier, agreed to H. Res. 104, the rule that provided for consideration of the bill by a ye and nay vote of 249 yeas to 171 nays, Roll No. 71.

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Meeting Hour—Tuesday, April 3: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Friday, March 30, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 3, for morning hour debate.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, April 4.

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Profound Sorrow on the Death of the Honorable Norman Sisisky, a Representative from the Commonwealth of Virginia: The House agreed to H. Res. 107, expressing the condolences of the House of Representatives on the death of the Honorable Norman Sisisky, a Representative from the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Pages H1130–38

National Commission to Ensure Consumer Information and choice in the Airline Industry: Read a letter from the Minority Leader wherein he announced his appointment of Mr. Thomas P. Dunne, Sr. of Maryland Heights, Missouri to the National Commission to Ensure Consumer Information and choice in the Airline Industry.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three ye and nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1301–02, H1302, H1325–26, H1328, H1329. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 107, adjourned at 4:28 p.m. as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Honorable Norman Sisisky, a Representative from the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Committee Meetings

FEDERAL FARM COMMODITY PROGRAMS

Committee on Agriculture: Continued hearings on Federal Farm Commodity Programs, with the soybean

industry. Testimony was heard from Bart Ruth, Vice President, American Soybean Association.

Hearings continue April 4.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary held a hearing on the Supreme Court. Testimony was heard from following Justices of the Supreme Court: Anthony M. Kennedy; and Clarence Thomas.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the District of Columbia held a hearing on Public Schools and Public Charter Schools. Testimony was heard from Col. Charles J. Fiala, Jr., USA, Commander and District Engineer, Baltimore District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Department of Defense; the following officials of the District of Columbia: Peggy Cooper Cafritz, President, Board of Education; Paul Vance, Superintendent, Public Schools; Josephine Baker, Chair, Public Charter School Board; George Brown, Chairman, Credit Enhancement Committee for Public Charter Schools; and Laurent Ross, Director, Tuition Assistance Program;

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior and Related Agencies held a hearing on Energy (National Energy Strategy). Testimony was heard from Mary J. Hutzler, Director, Office of Integrated Analysis and Forecasting, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction held a hearing on Quality of Life. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

TRANSPORTATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation held a hearing on Federal Transit Administration, and on Federal Transit Capital Projects. Testimony was heard from Hiram Walker, Acting Deputy Administrator, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation; Jose F. Lluch, Executive Director, Highway and Transportation Authority, Puerto Rico; and public witnesses.

TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government held a hearing on Custom Service Counter drug-oversight.

Testimony was heard from Charles Windwood, Acting Commissioner, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury.

MILITARY FORCES POSTURE

Committee on Armed Services: Continued hearings on the posture of U.S. military forces. Testimony was heard from Gen. Joseph W. Ralston, USAF, Commander in Chief, U.S. European Command, Department of Defense.

Hearings continue April 4.

COMMISSARIES AND EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

Committee on Armed Services: Special Oversight Panel on Morale, Welfare and Recreation held a hearing on commissaries and exchange programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Gail H. McGinn, Acting Assistant Secretary (Force Management Policy); Lt. Gen. Charles S. Mahan, Jr., USA, Deputy Chief of Staff (Logistics); Vice Adm. James G. Amerault, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Logistics); Lt. Gen. Michael E. Zettler, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff (Installations and Logistics); Lt. Gen. Jack W. Klump, USMC, Deputy Chief of Staff (Manpower and Reserve Affairs); Maj. Gen. Robert J. Courter, USAF, Defense Commissary Agency; Rear Adm. Steven W. Maas, USAF, Commander, Army and Air Force Exchange Service; Maj. Gen. Charles J. Wax, USAF, Commander, Army and Air Force Exchange Service; and Brig. Gen. Michael Downs, USMC (Ret.), Director, Personnel and Family Readiness Division.

TRANSFORMING FEDERAL ROLE IN EDUCATION

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Held a hearing on "Transforming the Federal Role in Education for the 21st Century: H.R.1, No Child Left Behind Act of 2001; H.R. 340, Excellence and Accountability in Education Act; and H.R. 345, Public Education Reinvestment, Reinvention, and Responsibility Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FCC—AGENDA AND PLANS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet held a hearing on "FCC Chairman Michael K. Powell: Agenda and Plans for Reform." Testimony was heard from Michael K. Powell, Chairman, FCC.

BEYOND THE TAX CUT; UNLEASHING OF THE ECONOMY

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Domestic Monetary Policy, Technology and Economic Growth held a hearing on Beyond the Tax Cut:

Unleashing the Economy. Testimony was heard from Representative Army; E. Floyd Kvamme, Co-Chairman, President's Committee of Advisors on Science and Technology, Office of Science and Technology Policy; and public witnesses.

MIDDLE EAST DEVELOPMENTS

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia held a hearing on Developments in the Middle East. Testimony was heard from Edward Walker, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs, Department of State.

OVERSIGHT—SOUTH WEST BORDER DRUG TRAFFICKING

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime held an oversight hearing on Drug Trafficking on the Southwest Border. Testimony was heard from W. Royal Furgeson, Jr., Judge, U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas; Donnie R. Marshall, Administrator, DEA, Department of Justice; John Varrone, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Investigations, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury; and Mike Scott, Chief, Criminal Law Enforcement, Department of Public Safety, State of Texas.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held an oversight hearing on the Effect of Mining Claim Fees on Domestic Exploration: Are They Worth It? Testimony was heard from Linda Calbom, Director, Financial Management and Assurance, GAO; Robert Anderson, Deputy Assistant Director, Minerals, Realty and Resource Protection, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; OVERSIGHT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans approved for full Committee action, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 643, African Elephant Conservation Reauthorization Act of 2001; H.R. 645, Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Reauthorization Act of 2001; and H.R. 700, Asian Elephant Conservation Reauthorization Act of 2001.

The Subcommittee also held an oversight hearing on Comprehensive Conservation Planning and the Operation and Maintenance Backlog in the National Wildlife Refuge System. Testimony was heard from Dan Ashe, Chief, National Wildlife Refuge System, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL FOREST RESTORATION—EFFECTIVE COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held a hearing on the Effective Community Involvement in National Forest Restoration and Recreation Efforts: Obstacles and Solutions. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Forest Service, USDA: Randy Phillips, Deputy Chief, Programs and Legislation; and Sally Collins, Associate Deputy Chief; and public witnesses.

EPA—STRENGTHEN SCIENCE

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Environment, Technology, and Standards held a hearing on H.R. 64, to provide for the establishment of the position of Deputy Administrator for Science and Technology of the Environmental Protection Agency. Testimony was heard from Bill Glaze, Chairman, Science Advisory Board, EPA; and public witnesses.

RAILROAD TRACK SAFETY ISSUES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Railroads held a hearing on Railroad Track Safety Issues. Testimony was heard from Mark Lindsey, Chief Counsel and Acting Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation; Robert Chipkevich, Director, Railroad, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Study, National Transportation Safety Board; and public witnesses.

DEATH TAX ELIMINATION ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Ordered reported amended H.R. 8, Death Tax Elimination Act of 2001.

FREE TRADE DEALS

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing on Free Trade Deals: Is the United States Losing Ground As Its Trading Partners Move Ahead? Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BRIEFING—COVERT ACTION CASE STUDY

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on International Policy and National Security met in executive session to receive a briefing on Covert Action Case Study. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

NRO ISSUES

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence met in executive session to hold a hearing on NRO Issues. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

HUMAN CAPITAL CHALLENGES

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring and the District of Columbia held joint hearings with the House Committee on Government Reform's Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization to examine the final report of the U.S. Commission on National Security in the 21st Century, focusing on national security implications of the human capital crisis, receiving testimony from Henry L. Hinton, Jr., Managing Director, Defense Capabilities and Management, General Accounting Office; Robert J. Lieberman, Deputy Inspector General, Department of Defense; and James R. Schlesinger, former Secretary of Defense and former Secretary of Energy, and Adm. Harry D. Train, USN (Ret.), former Supreme Allied Commander—Atlantic, Commander of the Sixth Fleet and former Director of the Joint Staff, both on behalf of the U.S. Commission on National Security/21st Century.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

KOSOVO

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission): Commission concluded hearings to examine recent developments in and around Kosovo, including human rights, minority rights, local elec-

tions, development of a local police force, and security and civil order, as well as recent escalations of violence in neighboring regions of southern Serbia and Macedonia, and the international response to this violence, after receiving testimony from Gen. Joseph W. Ralston, USAF, Supreme Allied Commander Europe (NATO), and Commander-in-Chief, United States European Command; James W. Pardew, Jr., Deputy Special Advisor for Kosovo and Dayton Implementation, Department of State; and Daan W. Everts, Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe Mission in Kosovo, Pristina.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 30, 2001

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality, oversight hearing on National Energy Policy: Crude Oil and Refined Petroleum Products, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Government Efficiency, Financial Management, and Intergovernmental Affairs, hearing on "Oversight of the Federal Government's Consolidated Financial Statements," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9 a.m., Friday, March 30

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Friday, March 30

Senate Chamber

Program for Friday: Senate will continue consideration of S. 27, Campaign Finance Reform, with votes on certain pending amendments to occur beginning at 11 a.m.

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Pro forma session.

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