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## Senate

The Senate met at 9:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON, a Senator from the State of New York.

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

Here is a promise from God for today. It is as sure as it was when it was spoken by Isaiah so long ago. Hear this word for today! "Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand."—Isaiah 41:10.

Let us pray.

Dear God, we claim this promise as we begin this day's work. Your perfect love casts out fear. Your grace and goodness give us the assurance that You will never leave nor forsake us. Your strength surges into our hearts. Your divine intelligence inspires our thinking. We will not be dismayed, casting about furtively for security in anything or anyone other than You. Fortified by Your power, help us to focus on the needs of others around us and of our Nation. May this be a truly great day as we serve You. Bless the Senators as they place their trust in You and follow Your guidance for our Nation. You, dear God, are our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication

to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD).

The legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,  
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,  
Washington, DC, October 2, 2001.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

ROBERT C. BYRD,  
President pro tempore.

Mrs. CLINTON thereupon assumed the chair as Acting President pro tempore.

### RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator from Nevada.

### SCHEDULE

Mr. REID. Madam President, today the Senate will resume consideration of the Defense authorization bill, with approximately 25 minutes to be equally divided prior to a 10 a.m. cloture vote. I just left the majority leader and he hopes we can invoke cloture and we can complete consideration of this bill today. The two managers have worked extremely hard. They were here until 8 last night working on as many amendments as they could clear.

The Senate will be in recess from 12:30 to 2:15 for the weekly party conferences.

I am on the floor a lot. I appreciate the work done by the managers of the legislation. The work done by Senators LEVIN and WARNER has been exemplary. They have worked diligently and very closely, trying to work on this most important piece of legislation.

I say to everyone, Democrats and Republicans, it would be a tremendous blow to these two men and how hard they have worked—as well as to the

Senate and this country—if cloture is not invoked on this most important piece of legislation.

### RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

### NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate will now resume consideration of S. 1438, which the clerk will report. The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1438) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2002 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the time until 10 a.m. shall be equally divided between the chairman and ranking member or their designees.

The Senator from Virginia.

Mr. WARNER. Madam President, I first thank the assistant majority leader for his words on this subject. I associate myself with the need to move forward on this bill. I am going to vote for cloture. I am about to leave and go into my party's conference and so indicate and encourage others to do likewise.

Madam President, when I looked at the television this morning and saw our President with the leadership reconciling differences, such as the budget, our President moving to make the tough decision, but it is a correct one given the security arrangements in place, to open National Airport, these are bold initiatives. Now the Senate has the opportunity to move forward and complete today a bill for the men and women of the Armed Forces, men

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