

the Girl Scouts of America. The Girl Scout tradition began on March 12, 1912, when founder Juliette Gordon Low assembled 18 girls in Savannah, GA for the first-ever Girl Scout meeting. Today, the organization offers girls of all races, ages, ethnicities, socioeconomic backgrounds, and abilities the chance to thrive by building the real-life skills they will need as adults.

I am especially honored to acknowledge the activities of the Girl Scouts of Rhode Island, which currently serves over 13,700 girls in my home State and several bordering towns of Massachusetts and Connecticut. The Girl Scouts of Rhode Island has created several enriching programs and activities over the years that truly help girls grow strong. One such program is Girls on the Go, which serves low-income girls at free lunch sites throughout the State during the summer months, allowing them to participate in Girl Scout activities. Other examples include the City Summer Camps program in both Providence and Central Falls which provides 6 weeks of training and recreational activities, and the Girls at the Center program which has provided numerous scouts and adults with opportunities to explore science and technology.

I am truly proud of the achievements of the Rhode Island Girl Scouts and their mission to help young women achieve high ideals of character, conduct, patriotism and service. I wish them continued success in the future.●

REPORT TO RESTORE NON-DISCRIMINATORY TRADE TREATMENT (NORMAL TRADE RELATIONS TREATMENT) TO THE PRODUCTS OF AFGHANISTAN—PM 83

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2001, the Secretary of the Senate, on May 3, 2002, during the recess of the Senate, received 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:

Public Law 99-190, 99 Stat. 1319, which took effect on December 19, 1985, authorized the President to deny normal trade relations (NTR) tariff treatment to the products of Afghanistan. On January 31, 1986, President Reagan issued a proclamation denying NTR treatment to Afghanistan.

I have determined that it is appropriate to restore NTR treatment to the products of Afghanistan. Restoration of NTR treatment will support U.S. efforts to normalize relations with Afghanistan and facilitate increased trade with the United States, which could contribute to economic growth and assist Afghanistan in rebuilding its economy. Therefore, in accordance with section 118 of Public Law 99-190, I hereby provide notice that I have

issued the attached proclamation restoring NTR tariff treatment to the products of Afghanistan. The Proclamation shall take effect 30 days after it is published in the *Federal Register*.

GEORGE W. BUSH.
THE WHITE HOUSE, May 3, 2002.

REPORT RELATIVE TO TWO DEFERRALS OF BUDGET AUTHORITY, TOTALING \$2 BILLION—PM 84

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2001, the Secretary of the Senate, on May 3, 2002, during the recess of the Senate, received the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975 as modified by the order of April 11, 1986; to the Committee on Appropriations; the Budget; and Foreign Relations:

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974, I herewith report two deferrals of budget authority, totaling \$2 billion.

The proposed deferrals affect the Department of State and International Assistance Programs.

GEORGE BUSH.
THE WHITE HOUSE, May 3, 2002.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:59 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following joint resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.J. Res. 87. A joint resolution approving the site at Yucca Mountain, Nevada, for the development of a repository for the disposal of high-level radioactive waste and spent nuclear fuel, pursuant to the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982.

At 4:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by M. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3801. An act to provide for improvement of Federal education research, statistics, evaluation, information, and dissemination, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills, previously received from the House of Representatives for concurrence, were read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 4486. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1590 East Joyce Boulevard in Fayetteville, Arkansas, as the "Clarence B. Craft Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 4028. An act to designate the United States courthouse located at 600 West Capitol Avenue in Little Rock, Arkansas, as the

"Richard S. Arnold United States Courthouse"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 3801. An act to provide for improvement of Federal education research, statistics, evaluation, information, and dissemination, and for other purposes; to the committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 2485. A bill entitled the "Andean Trade Promotion and Drug Eradication Act."

The following joint resolution was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 10135(d)(5)(A):

H. J. Res. 87. Joint resolution approving the site at Yucca Mountain, Nevada, for the development of a repository for the disposal of high-level radioactive waste and spent nuclear fuel, pursuant to the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

H.R. 4560. An act to eliminate the deadlines for spectrum auctions of spectrum previously allocated to television broadcasting.

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-6801. A communication from the Executive Vice President of Communications and Government Relations, Tennessee Valley Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of Inspector General, receive on May 1, 2002; referred jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975 as modified by the order of April 11, 1986; to the Committees on Environment and Public Works; and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6802. A communication from the General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination confirmed for the position of Inspector General, received on May 1, 2002; referred jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975 as modified by the order of April 11, 1986; to the Committees on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6803. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, Comptroller, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, case number 01-03; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-6804. A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "10 CFR Part 63: Disposal of High-Level Radioactive Wastes in a Proposed Geological Repository at Yucca Mountain, Nevada" (RIN3150-AG04) received on April 30, 2002; to