

time, gave aid and comfort to our enemies then, gives aid and comfort to our enemies now.

Mr. Speaker, if that were the only one, it would not be so bad. Maybe we could isolate an individual like that. But it is sad to say it is not the only one. I have another example, a blast from the past.

Here is our blast from the past, the individual, the other Senator from Massachusetts. I will not tell you that I just happened to pick a State randomly and pick two of their Senators. No, this is on purpose, Mr. Speaker.

This is the Senator referenced in the book *Duty, Honor, Country* from more than 30 years ago. He is still here and today he says, "This war was made up in Texas. This whole thing was a fraud. Iraq is George Bush's Vietnam."

Now do we understand, Mr. Speaker, why our enemies believe that Iraq can be another Vietnam? Not because of the forests or the mountains to hide in or the place for guerrilla warfare to take place, because we read in Zarqawi's letter that there are not any mountains to hide in, there are not any forests to hide in, and that the Iraqi people are willing to take the insurgents in and protect them and let them operate from their rare as red sulfur.

So the structure of this war in Iraq does not allow for that kind of guerrilla warfare. Yes, it is an urban warfare of a kind, but it is not at all like Vietnam. Iraq is a desert, Vietnam is a jungle. Vietnam has mountains and forests and jungle, Iraq has sand dunes and buildings. There is a huge differential though between the two countries because the Iraqis really do not want to hide these insurgents, and in Vietnam they were forced to hide them. In fact, there were places for the enemy to hide regardless of whether they had the cooperation of the civilians.

But the same individual who encouraged the enemies then, who is attributed by the most decorated American hero as contributing to the loss of American lives and particularly the lives of POWs, is still at it, Mr. Speaker, still at it. "This was made up in Texas. This whole thing was a fraud. This is George Bush's Vietnam."

Is that not some good Al-Jazeera material, Mr. Speaker? And I am not done. This material roles out every day in this country. We are trying to keep up with it by printing posters and putting quotes in there, and I am going to try to come down here on a periodic basis and try to keep the American people up to speed.

But I am glad that our soldiers are too busy with their diplomacy and the liberation of Iraq to be watching the news and have to listen to all of this debate. But I am determined to stand here and defend their efforts. And I support their mission and our soldiers, and that mission and the soldiers and the support for them cannot be separated. You cannot argue that I support them and I do not support the mission, Mr. Speaker.

So, in conclusion, we have a duty here on the floor of the United States Congress and in our jobs across this land as we represent our country and the people from our districts and as we interact with them and with the media to inform the American people that our military mission is on track in Iraq, the political sequence of events is on track in Iraq, and that the economic solution is around the corner. When they truly establish a sovereign Nation in Iraq, which will take place after these elections on the 15th, and when they are seated in March and when they sign a contract to develop that oil and the cash starts to flow into Iraq and free enterprise kicks in and the government gets the kinks out of its systems, and as the Iraqis step forward and do more and more providing the safety and security for the Iraqi people, this will be resolved to the satisfaction of history, if not the satisfaction of the nattering nabobs of negativity.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. POE). Members are reminded to refrain from improper references to Senators.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. McDERMOTT (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today on account of illness.

Mr. WYNN (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today on account of a family obligation.

Mr. MARIO DIAZ-BALART of Florida (at the request of Mr. BLUNT) for today on account of family reasons.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. DINGELL) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. HOYER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MEEHAN, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. UPTON) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. BURTON of Indiana, for 5 minutes, today and December 14 and 15.

Mr. OSBORNE, for 5 minutes, today and December 14.

Mr. BURGESS, for 5 minutes, today and December 14 and 15.

Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, for 5 minutes, December 14.

Mr. MCCAUL of Texas, for 5 minutes, December 14.

Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. POE, for 5 minutes, December 15.

Mr. NUSSLE, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. FOXX, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. JONES of North Carolina, for 5 minutes, December 15.

(The following Members (at their own request) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. UPTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DINGELL, for 5 minutes, today.

SENATE BILLS REFERRED

Bills of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 1295. An act to amend the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act to provide for accountability and funding of the National Indian Gaming Commission; to the Committee on Resources.

S. 2094. An act to reauthorize certain provisions relating to Indian tribal justice systems; to the Committee on Resources in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. KING of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at midnight), the House adjourned until today, Wednesday, December 14, 2005, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

5611. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Ethylhexyl Glucopyranosides; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [OPP-2002-0166; FRL-7729-6] received September 13, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5612. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Alkyl (C10-C16) Polyglycosides; Exemptions from the Requirement of a Tolerance [OPP-2003-0362; FRL-7729-7] received September 13, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5613. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Announcement of the Delegation of Partial Administrative Authority for Implementation of Federal Implementation Plan for the Nez Perce Reservation to the Nez Perce Tribe [R10-OAR-2005-TR-0001; FRL-7970-2] received September 13, 2005, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

5614. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Myclobutanil; Re-Establishment of a Tolerance for Emergency Exemption [OPP-2005-0248; FRL-7736-1] received