

determined that these actions and circumstances constitute an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States, and have issued an Executive Order expanding the scope of the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13067 to deal with this threat.

The order blocks the property and interests in property in the United States, or in the possession or control of United States persons, of the persons listed in the Annex to the order, as well as of any person determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, after consultation with the Secretary of State,

—to have constituted a threat to the peace process in Darfur;

—to have constituted a threat to stability in Darfur and the region;

—to be responsible for conduct related to the conflict in Darfur that violates international law;

—to be responsible for heinous conduct with respect to human life or limb related to the conflict in Darfur;

—to have directly or indirectly supplied, sold, or transferred arms or any related materiel, or any assistance, advice, or training related to military activities to the Government of Sudan, the Sudan Liberation Movement/Army, the Justice and Equality Movement, the Janjaweed, or any person operating in the states of North Darfur, South Darfur, and West Darfur, that is a belligerent, a nongovernmental entity, or an individual; or

—to be responsible for offensive military overflights in and over the Darfur region.

The designation criteria will be applied in accordance with applicable domestic law, including where appropriate, the First Amendment of the United States Constitution.

The order also authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury, after consultation with the Secretary of State, to designate for blocking any person determined to have materially assisted, sponsored, or provided financial, material, or technological support for, or goods or services in support of, the activities listed above or any person listed in or designated pursuant to the order. I further authorized the Secretary of the Treasury, after consultation with the Secretary of State, to designate for blocking any person determined to be owned or controlled by, or acting or purporting to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, any person listed in or designated pursuant to the order. The Secretary of the Treasury, after consultation with the Secretary of State, is also authorized to remove any persons from the Annex to the order as circumstances warrant.

I delegated to the Secretary of the Treasury, after consultation with the Secretary of State, the authority to take such actions, including the promulgation of rules and regulations, and to employ all powers granted to the President by IEEPA and UNPA, as may

be necessary to carry out the purposes of the order. All Federal agencies are directed to take all appropriate measures within their authority to carry out the provisions of the order.

The order, a copy of which is enclosed, was effective at 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on April 27, 2006.

GEORGE W. BUSH.
THE WHITE HOUSE, April 27, 2006.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. COCHRAN, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocations to Subcommittees of Budget Totals from the Concurrent Resolution for Fiscal Year 2006" (Rept. No. 109-251).

By Mr. ENZI, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1955. A bill to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Security Act of 1974 and the Public Health Service Act to expand health care access and reduce costs through the creation of small business health plans and through modernization of the health insurance marketplace.

By Mr. SPECTER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

S. 2292. A bill to provide relief for the Federal judiciary from excessive rent charges.

S. 2557. A bill to improve competition in the oil and gas industry, to strengthen anti-trust enforcement with regard to industry mergers, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted on April 26, 2006:

By Mr. INHOFE for the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

*James B. Gulliford, of Missouri, to be Assistant Administrator for Toxic Substances of the Environmental Protection Agency.

*William Ludwig Wehrum, Jr., of Tennessee, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

*Richard Capka, of Pennsylvania, to be Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. SPECTER for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Michael Ryan Barrett, of Ohio, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio.

Brian M. Cogan, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

Thomas M. Golden, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Timothy Anthony Junker, of Iowa, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of Iowa for the term of four years.

Patrick Carroll Smith, Sr., of Maryland, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of North Carolina for the term of four years.

By Mr. CRAIG for the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

*Daniel L. Cooper, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary for Benefits of the Department of Veterans Affairs for a term of four years.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. DODD (for himself and Mr. DEWINE):

S. 2663. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish grant programs to provide for education and outreach on newborn screening and coordinated follow up care once newborn screening has been conducted, to reauthorize programs under part A of title XI of such Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mrs. LINCOLN, and Mr. CONRAD):

S. 2664. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to pharmacies under part D; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. CONRAD, and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. 2665. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to simplify and improve the Medicare prescription drug program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BURNS:

S. 2666. A bill to temporarily suspend the revised tax treatment of kerosene for use in aviation under the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 2667. A bill to revitalize the Los Angeles River, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. 2668. A bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to require the incorporation of counterfeit-resistant technologies into the packaging of prescription drugs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. REID (for Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. KENNEDY)):

S. 2669. A bill to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into cooperative agreements with any of the management partners of the Boston Harbor Islands National Recreation Area, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. REID (for Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. KOHL, and Mr. LIEBERMAN)):

S. 2670. A bill to restore fairness in the provision of incentives for oil and gas production, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 2671. A bill to provide Federal coordination and assistance in preventing gang violence; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REID (for Mr. KERRY):

S. 2672. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that oil and gas companies will not be eligible for the effective rate reductions enacted in 2004 for domestic manufacturers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. THUNE (for himself and Mr. GRAHAM):

S. 2673. A bill to temporarily reduce the Federal fuel tax through the suspension of royalty relief for oil production and certain energy production tax incentives; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. INOUE, Mr. BAUCUS, and Mr. JOHNSON):

S. 2674. A bill to amend the Native American Languages Act to provide for the support of Native American language survival schools, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 2675. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to set minimum fuel economy requirements for federal vehicles, to authorize grants to States to purchase fuel efficient vehicles, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. CRAPO (for himself and Mrs. LINCOLN):

S. 2676. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into partnership agreements with entities and local communities to encourage greater cooperation in the administration of Forest Service activities on the near National Forest System land, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. SMITH (for himself, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. KERRY, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. SALAZAR, and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 2677. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the investment tax credit with respect to solar energy property and qualified fuel cell property, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRASSLEY:

S. 2678. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for the detection and prevention of inappropriate conduct in the Federal judiciary; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TALENT (for himself, Mr. DODD, Mr. ALEXANDER, and Mr. COCHRAN):

S. 2679. A bill to establish an Unsolved Crimes Section in the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice, and an Unsolved Civil Rights Crime Investigative Office in the Civil Rights Unit of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. COLEMAN (for himself, Mr. TALENT, and Mrs. LINCOLN):

S. 2680. A bill to facilitate the increased use of alternative fuels for motor vehicles, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Mr. BIDEN, and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 2681. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for reports on the withdrawal or diversion of equipment from Reserve units to other Reserve units being

mobilized, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida:

S. 2682. A bill to exclude from admission to the United States aliens who have made investments directly and significantly contributing to the enhancement of the ability of Cuba to develop its petroleum resources, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BYRD:

S.J. Res. 35. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to clarify that the Constitution neither prohibits voluntary prayer nor requires prayer in schools; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska (for himself, Mr. CHAMBLISS, and Mr. CRAIG):

S. Res. 448. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of "National Life Insurance Awareness Month"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BROWNBACK (for himself and Mr. ROBERTS):

S. Res. 449. A resolution commending the extraordinary contributions of Max Falkenstein to The University of Kansas and the State of Kansas; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DEWINE (for himself, Mrs. DOLE, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. ALLEN, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. Res. 450. A resolution designating June 2006 as National Safety Month; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. KERRY, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. COLEMAN, and Mr. SUNUNU):

S. Res. 451. A resolution expressing the support of the Senate for the reconvening of the Parliament of Nepal and for an immediate, peaceful transition to democracy; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mrs. DOLE):

S. Res. 452. A resolution recognizing the cultural and educational contributions of the American Ballet Theatre throughout its 65 years of service as "America's National Ballet Company"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. GREGG, Mr. FRIST, Mr. CARPER, Mr. VITTER, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. BURR, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. DEMINT, and Mr. MARTINEZ):

S. Res. 453. A resolution congratulating charter schools and their students, parents, teachers, and administrators across the United States for their ongoing contributions to education, and for other purposes; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. INOUE, and Mrs. DOLE):

S. Res. 454. A resolution honoring Malcolm P. McLean as the father of containerization; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. FRIST (for himself and Mr. REID):

S. Res. 455. A resolution honoring and thanking Terrance W. Gainer, former Chief of the United States Capitol Police; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 333

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 333, a bill to hold the current regime in Iran accountable for its threatening behavior and to support a transition to democracy in Iran.

S. 350

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 350, a bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to provide assistance for orphans and other vulnerable children in developing countries, and for other purposes.

S. 382

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. OBAMA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 382, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to strengthen prohibitions against animal fighting, and for other purposes.

S. 424

At the request of Mr. BOND, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAIG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 424, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for arthritis research and public health, and for other purposes.

S. 440

At the request of Mr. BUNNING, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 440, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to include podiatrists as physicians for purposes of covering physicians services under the Medicaid program.

S. 503

At the request of Mr. BOND, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 503, a bill to expand Parents as Teachers programs and other quality programs of early childhood home visitation, and for other purposes.

S. 707

At the request of Mr. ALEXANDER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 707, a bill to reduce preterm labor and delivery and the risk of pregnancy-related deaths and complications due to pregnancy, and to reduce infant mortality caused by prematurity.

S. 908

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 908, a bill to allow Congress, State legislatures, and regulatory agencies to determine appropriate laws, rules, and regulations to address the problems of weight gain, obesity, and health conditions associated with weight gain or obesity.

S. 1147

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. CLINTON) was added as a cosponsor of S.