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FISA FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the current and future status of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act which prescribes procedures for requesting judicial authorization for electronic surveillance and physical search of persons engaged in espionage or international terrorism against the United States on behalf of a foreign power, and related measures S. 2453, to establish procedures for the review of electronic surveillance programs, and S. 2455, to provide in statute for the conduct of electronic surveillance of suspected terrorists for the purposes of protecting the Amer-

ican people, the Nation, and its interests from terrorist attack while ensuring that the civil liberties of United States citizens are safeguarded, after receiving testimony from General Michael V. Hayden, Director, Central Intelligence Agency; Lieutenant General Keith B. Alexander, Director, National Security Agency, Chief, Central Security Service; Steven G. Bradbury, Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice; H. Bryan Cunningham, Morgan and Cunningham, LLC, Denver, Colorado; James X. Dempsey, Center for Democracy and Technology, and Mary B. DeRosa, Johns Hopkins Center for Strategic and International Studies Technology and Public Policy Program, both of Washington, D.C.; and John Schmidt, Mayer, Brown, Rowe, and Maw, LLP, Chicago, Illinois.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 26 public bills, H.R. 5889–5914; and 9 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 454–456; and H.Res. 949–950, 953–956 were introduced. **Pages H5952–54**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H5954**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 5830, to amend section 29 of the International Air Transportation Competition Act of 1979 relating to air transportation to and from Love Field, Texas (H. Rept. 109–600, Pt. 1);

H.R. 4157, to amend the Social Security Act to encourage the dissemination, security, confidentiality, and usefulness of health information technology, with amendments (H. Rept. 109–601, Pt. 1); and

H.R. 4157, to amend the Social Security Act to encourage the dissemination, security, confidentiality, and usefulness of health information technology, with an amendment (H. Rept. 109–601, Pt. 2);

H. Res. 951, waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 109–602); and

H. Res. 952, providing for consideration of H.R. 4157, to amend the Social Security Act to encourage the dissemination, security, confidentiality, and usefulness of health information technology (H. Rept. 109–603). **Page H5952**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Price of Georgia to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H5857**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Richard K. Barnard, Rector, The Chapel of the Cross, Dallas, Texas. **Page H5857**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:06 a.m. for the purpose of receiving His Excellency Nouri Al-Maliki, Prime Minister of the Republic of Iraq. The House reconvened at 12:15 p.m., and agreed that the proceedings had during the Joint Meeting be printed in the Record. **Page H5858**

Joint Meeting to receive His Excellency Nouri Al-Maliki, Prime Minister of the Republic of Iraq: The House and Senate met in a joint session to receive His Excellency Nouri Al-Maliki, Prime Minister of the Republic of Iraq. He was escorted into the Chamber by a committee comprised of Representatives Blunt, Pryce of Ohio, Hunter, Ros-Lehtinen, Hoekstra, Pelosi, Hoyer, Clyburn, Larson

of Connecticut, and Lantos; and Senators Frist, McConnell, Stevens, Santorum, Hutchison, Kyl, Dole, Burns, Reid, and Durbin. **Pages H5858–60**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Reform of National Security Reviews of Foreign Direct Investments Act: H.R. 5337, amended, to ensure national security while promoting foreign investment and the creation and maintenance of jobs, to reform the process by which such investments are examined for any effect they may have on national security, to establish the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States, by a (2/3) yea-and-nay vote of 424 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 404; **Pages H5863–73, H5899–H5900**

United States-Israel Energy Cooperation Act: H.R. 2730, amended, to establish a grant program to fund eligible joint ventures between United States and Israeli businesses and academic persons, to establish the International Energy Advisory Board; **Pages H5874–78**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To authorize funding for eligible joint ventures between United States and Israeli businesses and academic persons, to establish the International Energy Advisory Board, and for other purposes.” **Page H5878**

Fuel Consumption Education Act: H.R. 5611, amended, to provide for the establishment of a partnership between the Secretary of Energy and appropriate industry groups for the creation of a transportation fuel conservation education campaign; **Pages H5878–83**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To authorize a partnership between the Secretary of Energy and appropriate industry groups for the creation of a transportation fuel conservation education campaign, and for other purposes.” **Page H5883**

Deleting Online Predators Act of 2006: H.R. 5319, amended, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require recipients of universal service support for schools and libraries to protect minors from commercial social networking websites and chat rooms, by a (2/3) yea-and-nay vote of 410 yeas to 15 nays, Roll No. 405; **Pages H5883–89, H5900**

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that a National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week should be established: H. Res. 928, to express the sense of the House of Representatives that a National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week should be established; **Pages H5889–94**

Providing for a correction to the enrollment of S. 203: H. Con. Res. 456, to provide for a correction to the enrollment of S. 203; **Pages H5901–02**

Expressing the sense of Congress that the Government of Venezuela should actively support strategies for ensuring secure airport facilities that meet international certifications to prevent trafficking of controlled substances, narcotics, and laundered money: H. Con. Res. 400, amended, to express the sense of Congress that the Government of Venezuela should actively support strategies for ensuring secure airport facilities that meet international certifications to prevent trafficking of controlled substances, narcotics, and laundered money; and **Pages H5930–36**

Amending the Iran and Libya Sanctions Act of 1996 to extend the authorities provided in such Act until September 29, 2006: H.R. 5877, to amend the Iran and Libya Sanctions Act of 1996 to extend the authorities provided in such Act until September 29, 2006. **Pages H5936–37**

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House completed debate on the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further consideration of the measure is expected to resume tomorrow, Thursday, July 27th:

Congratulating the International AIDS Vaccine Initiative on ten years of significant achievement in the search for an HIV/AIDS vaccine: H. Res. 844, amended, to congratulate the International AIDS Vaccine Initiative on ten years of significant achievement in the search for an HIV/AIDS vaccine. **Pages H5937–39**

Amending section 1113 of the Social Security Act to temporarily increase funding for the program of temporary assistance for United States citizens returned from foreign countries: The House agreed by unanimous consent to agree with the Senate amendment and pass H.R. 5865, to amend section 1113 of the Social Security Act to temporarily increase funding for the program of temporary assistance for United States citizens returned from foreign countries—clearing the measure for the President. **Page H5902**

United States and India Nuclear Cooperation Promotion Act of 2006: The House passed H.R. 5682, to exempt from certain requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 a proposed nuclear agreement for cooperation with India, by a yea and nay vote of 359 yeas to 68 nays, Roll No. 411. **Pages H5894–99, H5902–30**

Rejected the Markey motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on International Relations with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of

192 ayes to 235 noes, Roll No. 410, after ordering the previous question without objection.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on International Relations now printed in the bill, modified by the amendment printed in part A of the report, shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as the original bill for the purpose of further amendment and shall be considered as read.

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Rejected the Obey motion that the Committee rise and strike the enacting clause by voice vote.

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Agreed to:

Royce amendment (No. 1 printed in part B of H. Rept. 109–599) modified, to make technical and conforming changes to the text and also removes an amendment adopted during the full committee markup relating to subsection 4(b)(7); **Pages H5981–19**

Jackson-Lee of Texas amendment (No. 3 printed in part B of H. Rept. 109–599) expresses the sense of Congress declaring the importance of the South Asia region and urging the continuation of the United States' policy of engagement, collaboration, and exchanges with and between India and Pakistan;

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Fortenberry amendment (No. 6 printed in part B of H. Rept. 109–599) modified, to provide Congress with the ability to assess, to the extent possible, whether annual levels of India's nuclear fissile production may imply a possible violation of Article I of the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty; and

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Stearns amendment (No. 2 printed in part B of H. Rept. 109–599) to reinforce the intent of Congress that the nuclear cooperation into which the governments of the United States and India would enter is for peaceful, productive purposes, not military (by a recorded vote of 414 ayes with none voting "noe", Roll No. 407).

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Rejected:

Sherman amendment (No. 4 printed in part B of H. Rept. 109–599) which sought to require that, before any nuclear cooperation with India can go forward, and every year thereafter, the President must certify that during the preceding year India has not increased the level of domestic uranium it sends through its weapons program. Baseline for the determination under the amendment is the 365 day period preceding the July 18, 2005 Bush-Singh declaration on nuclear cooperation (by a recorded vote of 155 ayes to 268 noes, Roll No. 408); and

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Berman amendment (No. 5 printed in part B of H. Rept. 109–599) that sought to restrict exports of uranium and other types of nuclear reactor fuel (defined as "source material" and "special nuclear material" in the Atomic Energy Act of 1954) to India until the President determines that India has halted the production of fissile material (i.e. plutonium and highly enriched uranium) for use in nuclear weapons (by a recorded vote of 184 ayes to 241 noes, Roll No. 409).

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H. Res. 947, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 311 yeas to 112 nays, Roll No. 406, after agreeing to order the previous question.

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Late Report: Agreed that the Committee on Financial Services have until 5 p.m. on Friday, August 11, 2006 to file a report on H.R. 5637, to streamline the regulation of nonadmitted insurance and reinsurance.

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Summer District Work Period: The House completed debate on H. Con. Res. 454, providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate. Further consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, Thursday, July 27th.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on pages H5860, H5902.

Senate Referrals: S. 3549 was referred to the Committees on Financial Services, International Relations, and Energy and Commerce.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5899–H5900, H5900, H5900–01, H5926, H5926–27, H5927, H5929–30, H5930. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at midnight.

Committee Meetings

MILITARY COMMISSIONS AND TRIBUNALS STANDARDS

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on standards of military commissions and tribunals. Testimony was heard from Jennifer Elsea, Legislative Attorney, American Law Division, CRS, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses

NUCLEAR MATERIAL DISPOSITION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces held a hearing on plutonium disposition and the U.S. Mixed Oxide Fuel Facility. Testimony