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TAX HAVEN ABUSES

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations concluded a hearing to examine the issue of tax havens and offshore abuses which are undermining the integrity of the Federal tax system, focusing on case histories on the use of offshore trusts and corporations to circumvent U.S. tax, securities and anti-money laundering laws, after receiving testimony from Mark Everson, Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury; Reuven S. Aviyonah, University of Michigan School of Law, Ann Arbor; Gary M. Brown, Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell, and Berkowitz, P.C., Nashville, Tennessee; Haim Saban, Saban Capital Group, Inc., Los Angeles, California; Michael C. French, formerly with Scottish Re Group, Limited, Louis J. Schaufele, III, and Charles W. Blau, Meadows, Owens, Collier, Reed, Cousins, and Blau, LLP, all of Dallas, Texas; Jeffrey Greenstein, Quellos Group, LLC, Seattle, Washington; Michael G. Conn, Bank of America, San Francisco, California; George T. Wendler, HSBC

Bank USA, Marlboro, New Jersey; Michael G. Chatzky, Chatzky and Associates, San Diego, California; John P. Barrie, Bryan Cave, LLP, Washington, D.C.; Lewis R. Steinberg, formerly with Cravath, Swaine, and Moore, LLP, New York, New York; and Robert Wood Johnson, IV, New York, New York.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Andrew von Eschenbach, of Texas, to be Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Department of Health and Human Services, who was introduced by Senator Hutchison, and Paul DeCamp, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Peter D. Keisler, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, Valerie L. Baker and Philip S. Gutierrez, each to be a United States District Judge for the Central District of California, who were introduced by Senators Feinstein and Boxer, and Francisco Augusto Besosa, to be United States District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, August 2, 2006, unless it sooner has received a message from the Senate transmitting its adoption of H. Con. Res. 459, in which case the House shall stand adjourned pursuant to that concurrent resolution until 2 p.m. on Wednesday, September 6, 2006.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D 867)

H.J. Res. 86, approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and

Democracy Act of 2003. Signed on August 1, 2006. (Public Law 109-251)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2006

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Subcommittee on Forestry, Conservation, and Rural Revitalization, to hold hearings to examine H.R. 4200, to improve the ability of the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to promptly implement recovery treatments in response to catastrophic events affecting Federal lands under their jurisdiction, including the removal of dead and damaged trees and the implementation of reforestation treatments, to support the recovery of

non-Federal lands damaged by catastrophic events, to revitalize Forest Service experimental forests, 9 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to continue hearings to examine progress of the Capitol Visitor Center construction, 10:30 a.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services: to resume hearings to examine the future of military commissions in light of the Supreme Court decision in Hamdan v. Rumsfeld, 2 p.m., SH-216.

Full Committee, to hold a closed meeting to discuss Overhead Imagery Systems, 5 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: business meeting to consider an original bill to improve ratings quality for the protection of investors and in the public interest by fostering accountability, transparency, and competition in the credit rating agency industry, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation, to hold hearings to examine efforts to meet the housing needs of veterans, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold oversight hearings to examine the Toxic Substances Control Act and the chemicals management program at the Environmental Protection Agency, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine fake IDs relating to border security, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of John C. Rood, of Arizona, to be an Assistant Secretary of State for International Security and Non-Proliferation, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting to consider numerous pending Nominations; Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the status of Iraq reconstruction, focusing on contracting and procurement issues, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the authority to prosecute terrorists under the war crime provisions of Title 18, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Constitution, Civil Rights and Property Rights, to hold hearings to examine creating a fair standard for attorney's fee awards in establishment clause cases, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: closed business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.