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Select Intelligence Oversight Panel of the Committee on Appropriations—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members of the House of Representatives to the Select Intelligence Oversight Panel of the Committee on Appropriations: Representative Holt, Chairman; Representatives Obey, Murtha, Reyes, Dicks, Lowey, Cramer, Schiff, LaHood (Ranking Minority Member), Lewis (CA), Young (FL), Hoekstra, and Frelinghuysen.

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Committee Elections: The House agreed to H. Res. 85, electing the following Members to serve on certain standing committees of the House of Representatives: Committee on Financial Services: Representative Wexler (to rank immediately after Representative Donnelly). Committee on the Judiciary: Representative Wasserman Schultz (to rank immediately after Representative Davis of AL). Committee on Science and Technology: Representative Kanjorski (to rank immediately after Representative McNerney) and Representative Hooley (to rank immediately after Representative Kanjorski). Committee on Small Business: Representatives Millender-McDonald, Jefferson, Shuler, Gonzalez, Larsen (WA), Grijalva, Michaud, Bean, Cuellar, Lipinski, Moore (WI), Altmire, Braley (IA), Clarke, Ellsworth, Johnson (GA), and Sestak.

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Recess: The House recessed at 4:46 p.m. and reconvened at 8:41 p.m.

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State of the Union Address: President George W. Bush delivered his State of the Union address to a joint session of Congress, pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 38. He was escorted into the House Chamber by a committee comprised of Representatives Hoyer, Clyburn, Emanuel, Larson of Connecticut, Boehner, Blunt, Putnam, McCotter and Senators Reid, Durbin, Schumer, Murray, Dorgan, Stabenow, McConnell, Lott, Kyl, Cornyn, Hutchison, Ensign, and Stevens. The President's message was referred to the Committee on the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered printed (H. Doc. 110-1).

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on pages H842-43.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H859, H859-60, H860, and H861. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Agriculture: Met for organizational purposes.

IRAQ'S EFFECT ON TOTAL FORCES READINESS

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on implications of Iraq policy on total force readiness. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: GEN Peter J. Schoomaker, USA, Chief of Staff, U.S. Army; GEN James T. Conway, USMC, Commandant, U.S. Marine Corps; 1SG Ciaran T. Allison, USA, A Co. 2-23 IN, Ft. Lewis, MA; and public witnesses.

WHY DEFICITS MATTER

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on Why Deficits Matter. Testimony was heard from David M. Walker, Comptroller General, GAO; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES; COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION; OVERSIGHT PLAN

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Favorably considered the following resolutions and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that they be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H. Res. 24, amended, Establishing the House Democracy Assistance Commission for the One Hundred Tenth Congress; and H. Con. Res. 20, Calling on the Government of the United Kingdom to immediately establish a full, independent, and public judicial inquiry into the murder of Northern Ireland defense attorney Patrick Finucane, as recommended by Judge Peter Cory as part of the Weston Park Agreement, in order to move forward on the Northern Ireland peace process.

Prior to this action, the committee met for organizational purposes.

The committee adopted an Oversight Plan for the 110th Congress.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION; OVERSIGHT PLAN

Committee on Homeland Security: Met for organizational purposes.

The Committee adopted an Oversight Plan for the 110th Congress.

DELEGATES FLOOR VOTE

Committee on Rules: Granted by a vote of 9 to 3, a structured rule. The rule provides 1 hour of general debate in the House on H. Res. 78, Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to permit Delegates and the Resident Commissioner to the Congress to cast votes in the Committee of the

Whole House on the state of the Union, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Rules. The rule waives all points of order against the resolution and against its consideration and provides that the resolution shall be considered as read. The rule makes in order the amendment printed in the Rules Report accompanying this resolution, if offered by Rep. Kirk of Illinois. The amendment shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question. The rule also waives all points of order against the amendment printed in the report, and contains one motion to recommit which may not contain instructions. Finally, the rule provides that, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of the bill to a time designated by the Speaker. Testimony was heard from Delegates Faleomavaega and Bordallo; and Representative Kirk.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management held a hearing on the State of Economic Development. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

STATE OF U.S. ECONOMY

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing on the State of the U.S. Economy. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SUBCOMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight met for organizational purposes.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2007

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: organizational business meeting to consider an original resolution authorizing expenditures for committee operations, committee's rules of procedure for the 110th Congress, and subcommittee assignments; to be followed by a hearing to examine the potential impact of airline mergers and industry consolidation relating to the state of the airline industry, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: organizational business meeting to consider an original resolution authorizing expenditures for committee operations, committee's rules of procedure for the 110th Congress, and subcommittee assignments; to be followed by a hearing to examine an analysis completed by the Energy Information Administration entitled "Energy Market and Economic Impacts of a Proposal to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Intensity with a Cap and Trade System", 9:45 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Michael J. Astrue, of Massachusetts, to be Commissioner of Social Security, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: business meeting to consider S. Con. Res. 2, expressing the bipartisan resolution on Iraq, and subcommittee assignments and jurisdiction for the 110th Congress, 9 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: organizational business meeting to consider an original resolution authorizing expenditures for committee operations, committee's rules of procedure for the 110th Congress, and subcommittee assignments; committee will also consider the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: organizational business meeting to consider an original resolution authorizing expenditures for committee operations, committee's rules of procedure for the 110th Congress, and subcommittee assignments, 10 a.m., SD-342.

House

Committee on Education and Labor, to meet for organizational purposes, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, hearing and briefing on South Sudan: The Comprehensive Peace Agreement on Life Support, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to meet for organizational purposes, 10:15 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Science and Technology, to meet for organizational purposes; followed by a markup of the following: H.R. 365, Methamphetamine Remediation Research Act of 2007; H. Res. 59, Supporting the goals and ideals of National Engineers Week; and H. Con. Res. 34, Honoring the life of Percy Lavon Julian, a pioneer in the field of organic chemistry research and development and the first and only African American chemist to be inducted into the National Academy of Sciences, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, hearing on Surface Transportation System: Challenges for the Future, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, hearing on Economic and Social Costs of Poverty, 10 a.m. 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, hearing on Intelligence Support to the Policy Maker, 10 a.m., H-405 Capitol.