

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 3:30 p.m. on Monday, January 29, 2007 and that the time until 5 p.m. be for debate only. **Page S1247**

**Iraq Resolution—Cloture Motion Filed:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to the consideration of S. Con. Res. 2, expressing the bipartisan resolution on Iraq. **Pages S1232–33**

A motion was entered to close further debate on motion to proceed to the consideration of the resolution and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Tuesday, January 30, 2007. **Pages S1232–33**

Subsequently, the motion to proceed was withdrawn. **Page S1233**

**Organisation for Economic Co-Operation and Development—Referral:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 172, to prohibit Federal funding for the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, and be referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. **Page S1236**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By unanimous vote of 81 yeas (Vote No. EX. 33), Lt. Gen. David H. Petraeus U.S. Army. **Pages S1208–12, S1254**

- 3 Army nominations in the rank of general.
- 2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, Navy. **Pages S1246–47, S1254**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S1237–38**

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**Additional Statements:** **Page S1236**

**Amendments Submitted:** **Page S1244**

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**Privileges of the Floor:** **Page S1244**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total–33) **Page S1212**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 9 a.m., and adjourned at 2:30 p.m., until 2 p.m., on Monday, January 29, 2007.

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### ANTI-SATELLITE TESTING

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Strategic Forces met in closed session to receive a briefing regarding recent Chinese anti-satellite testing, from Ronald M. Sega, Under Secretary of the Air Force; Robert G. Joseph, Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security; Mary Margaret Graham, Deputy Director of National Intelligence for Collection; Brian R. Green, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Strategic Capabilities; and General James E. Cartwright, Commander, United States Strategic Command.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, January 29, 2007, pursuant to the provisions of H. Con. Res. 41.

## Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of January 29 through February 3, 2007

### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 3:30 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 2, Fair Minimum Wage.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 2, Fair Minimum Wage, with a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on Reid (for Baucus) Amendment No. 100 and a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the bill. Also, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. Con. Res. 2, Iraq Resolution.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* January 31, to hold hearings to examine the roles of Federal food assistance programs in family economic security and nutrition, 9:45 a.m., SR-328A.

*Committee on Armed Services:* January 30, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Admiral William J. Fallon, USN, for reappointment to the grade of admiral and to be Commander, United States Central Command, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

January 31, Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing regarding the Iraq "surge" plan, 10 a.m., SR-222.

January 31, Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to resume hearings to examine abusive practices in Department of Defense contracting for services and inter-agency contracting, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

February 1, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Gen. George W. Casey Jr., USA, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Chief of Staff, United States Army, 9:30 a.m., SR-325.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* January 31, to hold hearings to examine the Department of the Treasury's report to Congress on International Economic and Exchange Rate Policy (IEERP) and the U.S.-China strategic economic dialogue, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on the Budget:* January 30, to hold hearings to examine long-term fiscal challenges, 10 a.m., SD-608.

January 31, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine solutions to long-term fiscal challenges, 10 a.m., SD-608.

February 1, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the current account deficit and the foreign debt of the United States, 10 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* January 31, business meeting to consider pending calendar business; to be followed by a hearing to examine economic and security concerns relating to promoting travel to America, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

February 1, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine a view from the Federal Communications Commission relating to assessing the communications marketplace, 10 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* January 30, to hold hearings to examine the status of Federal land management agencies' efforts to contain the costs of their wildlife suppression activities and to consider recent independent reviews of and recommendations for those efforts, 10 a.m., SD-366.

January 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine transportation sector fuel efficiency, including challenges to and incentives for increased oil savings through technological innovation including plug-in hybrids, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

January 31, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 202, to provide for the conveyance of certain Forest Service land to the city of Coffman Cove, Alaska, S. 216, to provide for the exchange of certain Federal land

in the Santa Fe National Forest and certain non-Federal land in the Pecos National Historical Park in the State of New Mexico, S. 220, to authorize early repayment of obligations to the Bureau of Reclamation within the A & B Irrigation District in the State of Idaho, S. 232, to make permanent the authorization for watershed restoration and enhancement agreements, S. 235, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain buildings and lands of the Yakima Project, Washington, to the Yakima-Tieton Irrigation District, S. 240, to reauthorize and amend the National Geologic Mapping Act of 1992, S. 241, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into cooperative agreements to protect natural resources of units of the National Park System through collaborative efforts on land inside and outside of units of the National Park System, S. 245, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to designate the President William Jefferson Clinton Birthplace Home in Hope, Arkansas, as a National Historic Site and unit of the National Park System, S. 255, to provide assistance to the State of New Mexico for the development of comprehensive State water plans, S. 260, to establish the Fort Stanton-Snowy River Cave National Conservation Area, S. 262, to rename the Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area in the State of Idaho as the Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area in honor of the late Morley Nelson, an international authority on birds of prey, who was instrumental in the establishment of this National Conservation Area, S. 263, to amend the Oregon Resource Conservation Act of 1996 to reauthorize the participation of the Bureau of Reclamation in the Deschutes River Conservancy, S. 264, to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to participate in the rehabilitation of the Wallowa Lake Dam in Oregon, S. 265, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a water resource feasibility study for the Little Butte/Bear Creek Subbasins in Oregon, S. 266, to provide for the modification of an amendatory repayment contract between the Secretary of the Interior and the North Unit Irrigation District, S. 268, to designate the Ice Age Floods National Geologic Trail, S. 275, to establish the Prehistoric Trackways National Monument in the State of New Mexico, S. 277, to modify the boundaries of Grand Teton National Park to include certain land within the GT Park Subdivision, S. 278, to establish a program and criteria for National Heritage Areas in the United States, S. 283, to amend the Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2003, S. 320, to provide for the protection of paleontological resources on Federal lands, H.R. 57, to repeal certain sections of the Act of May 26, 1936, pertaining to the Virgin Islands, and S. 200, to require the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation and the United States Geological Survey, to conduct a study on groundwater resources in the State of Alaska, 11:30 a.m., SD-366.

February 1, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine accelerated biofuels diversity, focusing on how home-grown, biologically derived fuels can blend into the nation's transportation fuel mix, 9:30 a.m., SDG-50.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* January 30, organizational business meeting to consider an original resolution authorizing expenditures for committee operations; to be followed by a hearing to examine Senators' perspectives on global warming, focusing on Senators' views on global warming and what each Senator believes the nation's response should be to the issue, 9 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* February 1, to hold hearings to examine improving the health of America's children relating to the future of Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* January 30, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of John D. Negroponte, of New York, to be Deputy Secretary of State, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

January 30, Full Committee, to resume hearings to examine securing America's interests in Iraq, focusing on the remaining options, alternative plans and the Iraq Study Group, 1 p.m., SH-216.

January 31, Full Committee, to continue hearings to examine securing America's interests in Iraq, focusing on the remaining options in Iraq in the strategic context, 9:15 a.m., SH-216.

February 1, Full Committee, to continue hearings to examine securing America's interests in Iraq, focusing on the remaining options in Iraq in the strategic context, 9:15 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* January 31, 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 Non-discrimination Act, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* February 1, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine privacy implications of the Federal government's health information technology initiative relating to private health records, focusing on the efforts of Department of Health and Human Services to integrate privacy into the Health Information Technology national infrastructure and Office of Personnel Management's efforts to expand the use of Health Information Technology through the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program and the impact such actions have on Federal employees' health information privacy, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* February 1, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Carl Joseph Artman, of Colorado, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; to be followed by a business meeting to consider the nomination, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* January 30, to hold hearings to examine exercising Congress' constitutional power to end a war, 10 a.m., SD-226.

January 31, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Iraq Study Group, focusing on recommendations for improvements to Iraq's police and criminal justice system, 10 a.m., SD-226.

January 31, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology and Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine challenges and strategies for securing the U.S. border, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Rules and Administration:* January 31, 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, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* January 31, to hold hearings to examine Federal small business assistance programs for veterans and reservists, 10 a.m., SR-428A.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* January 30, closed business meeting and hearing regarding certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

January 31, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of J. Michael McConnell, of Virginia, to be Director of National Intelligence, 2:30 p.m., SD-106.

February 1, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

*Special Committee on Aging:* January 31, to hold hearings to examine if Medicare Part D is working for low-income seniors, 10:30 a.m., SD-562.

### House Committees

*Committee on Appropriations,* January 30, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on 5 and 10 year Homeland Security Goals: Where We Need to be as a Nation and How We Judge Progress, 10 a.m., and 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

January 31, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on Major Management Challenges Facing the Department of Homeland Security in Implementing Legislated and Other Security Improvements, 11 a.m., 2358 Rayburn.

January 31, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, on Oversight of Assistance Programs in Iraq, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services,* January 30, hearing on Security and Stability in Afghanistan: Challenges and Opportunities, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

January 30, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on examination of the force requirements determination process, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

January 31, Subcommittee on Air and Land Forces and the Subcommittee on Readiness, joint hearing on Army equipment reset, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

January 31, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing on the Department of Energy's implementation of the National Nuclear Security Administration Act of 2000, 1 p.m., 2226 Rayburn.

January 31, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities, hearing on current manning, equipping and readiness challenges facing Special Operations Forces, 3 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget,* January 30, hearing on the Congressional Budget Office's Budget and Economic Outlook, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Education and Labor,* January 30, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions,

hearing on Protecting Workers from Genetic Discrimination, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

January 31, full Committee, hearing on Strengthening America's Middle Class: Evaluating the Economic Squeeze on America's Families, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, January 31, to meet for organizational purposes, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, January 31, hearing on Understanding the Iran Crisis, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, January 31, oversight hearing entitled "Presidential Signing Statements under the Bush Administration: A Threat to Checks and Balances and the Rule of Law?" 10:15 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, January 30, hearing on allegations of political interference with the work of government climate change scientists, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, January 30, to consider a House Joint Resolution making Continuing Appropriations for the fiscal year 2007, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science and Technology*, January 30, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on H.R. 547, Advanced Fuels Infrastructure Research and Development Act, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

January 31, full Committee, to mark up the following measures: H.R. 547, Advanced Fuels Infrastructure Research and Development Act; and H. Res. 72, Recognizing the work and accomplishments of Mr. Britt "Max" Mayfield, Director of the National Hurricane Center's Tropical Center's Tropical Prediction Center upon his retirement, 11 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, January 31, to meet for organizational purposes, 12 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, January 30, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, oversight hearing of the Coast Guard Integrated Deepwater System, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

January 30 and 31, Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, hearings on Reauthorization of the Federal Rail Safety Program, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

January 31, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, to mark up pending business, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, January 30, to meet for organizational purposes, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, January 30, hearing on Trade and Globalization, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

January 30, Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures, to meet for organizational purposes, 4 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

January 30, Subcommittee on Trade, to meet for organizational purposes, 3 p.m., 1105 Longworth.

January 31, full Committee, hearing on the Economic Challenges Facing Middle Class Families, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

January 31, Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support, to meet for organizational purposes, 10 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

### Joint Meetings

*Joint Economic Committee*: January 31, to hold hearings to examine ensuring the economic future by promoting middle-class prosperity, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.