

Mr. DUNCAN, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at their own request) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. GOODE, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. CLARKE, for 5 minutes, today.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. SHAYS. Madam Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 7 o'clock and 18 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, April 2, 2008, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

5761. A letter from the Director, International Cooperation, Department of Defense, transmitting Pursuant to Section 27(f) of the Arms Export Control Act and Section 1(f) of Executive Order 11958, Transmittal No. 02-08, which informs of our intent to sign Project Arrangement Number Five concerning Apache Attack Helicopter Modernized Target Acquisition and Designation Sight and Pilot Night Vision Sensor Infrared Weather Performance Analysis, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2767(f); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5762. A letter from the Director, International Cooperation, Department of Defense, transmitting Pursuant to Section 27(f) of the Arms Export Control Act and Section 1(f) of Executive Order 11958, Transmittal No. 01-08, informing of an intent to sign the Project Agreement between the Department of Defense of the United States and the Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Singapore Concerning Development of Fuel Cell Power Systems, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2767(f); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5763. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the semiannual report detailing payments made to Cuba as a result of the provision of telecommunications services pursuant to Department of the Treasury specific licenses, as required by Section 1705(e)(6) of the Cuban Democracy Act of 1992, 22 U.S.C. 6004(e)(6), as amended by Section 102(g) of the Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity (LIBERTAD) Act of 1996, and pursuant to Executive Order 13313 of July 31, 2003, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 6032; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5764. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification that effective February 17, 2008, 25% Danger Pay Allowance for Chad has been established based on the unsettled security situation that could endanger lives of U.S. Government civilian employees, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5928; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5765. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Copies of international agreements, other than treaties, entered into by the United States, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

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5767. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, trans-

mitting pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, Transmittal No. 08-44 concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to Iraq for defense articles and services; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5768. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting pursuant to Section 62(a) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA), notification concerning the Department of the Army's proposed extension of a lease of defense articles to the Government of Denmark (Transmittal No. 09-07); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5769. A letter from the Under Secretary for Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's FY 2009 Cooperative Threat Reduction Annual Report, pursuant to Public Law 106-398, section 1308; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5770. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 3(d) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification regarding the proposed transfer of major defense equipment from the Government of Germany (Transmittal No. RSAT-02-08); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5771. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification regarding the proposed license for the manufacture of military equipment to the Government of the United Kingdom (Transmittal No. DDTC 015-08); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5772. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification regarding the proposed license for the manufacture of military equipment to the Government of the United Kingdom (Transmittal No. DDTC 022-08); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5773. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to sections 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification regarding the proposed license for the manufacture of military equipment and the export of defense articles and services to the Government of Russia (Transmittal No. DDTC 040-08); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5774. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles to the Government of Georgia (Transmittal No. DDTC 033-08); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5775. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification of a proposed agreement for the export of defense articles and services to the Republic of Korea (Transmittal No. DDTC 007-08); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5776. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for the export of defense articles and services to the Government of Turkey (Transmittal No. DDTC 026-08); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5777. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification of a proposed agreement for the export of defense articles and services to the Government of

Japan (Transmittal No. DDTC 006-08); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5778. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification of an application for a license for the export of defense articles and services to the Governments of the United Kingdom and France (Transmittal No. DDTC 032-08); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5779. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification of a proposed agreement for the export of defense articles and services to the Government of Russia (Transmittal No. DDTC 028-08); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5780. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for the export of defense articles and services to the Government of Canada (Transmittal No. DDTC 037-08); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5781. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification of an application for a license for the export of defense articles and services to the Government of the United Kingdom (Transmittal No. DDTC 019-08); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5782. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification of a proposed agreement for the export of defense articles and services to the Government of Mexico (Transmittal No. DDTC 008-08); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5783. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification of a proposed agreement for the export of defense articles and services to the Government of Australia (Transmittal No. DDTC 115-07); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5784. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification of a proposed agreement for the export of defense articles and services to the Government of Mexico (Transmittal No. DDTC 017-08); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5785. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles and services to the Governments of Russia and Kazakhstan (Transmittal No. DDTC 029-08); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5786. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report pursuant to Section 3 of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, detailing an unauthorized retransfer of U.S.-granted defense articles; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5787. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment to the International Arms Traffic in Arms Regulations: North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) — received March 18, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5788. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State,

transmitting extension of the waiver of Section 907 of the FREEDOM Support Act, Pub. L. 102-511, with respect to assistance to the Government of Azerbaijan; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5789. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report providing information on steps taken by the U.S. Government to bring about an end to the Arab League boycott of Israel and to expand the process of normalization between Israel and the Arab League countries, as requested in Section 635 of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (Pub. L. 110-161); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5790. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting pursuant to Section 620C(c) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, and in accordance with section 1(a)(6) of Executive Order 13313, a report prepared by the Department of State on the progress toward a negotiated solution of the Cyprus question covering the period December 1, 2007 through January 31, 2008; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5791. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a copy of Presidential Determination No. 2008-13, "Waiver of Restrictions on Providing Funds to the Palestinian Authority," pursuant to Section 650(d) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2008, Pub. L. 110-161; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

5792. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-323, "Clean Cars Act of 2008," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5793. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-324, "Accrued Sick and Safe Leave Act of 2008," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5794. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-325, "College Savings Program Increased Tax Benefit Act of 2008," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5795. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-326, "Omnibus Executive Service System, Police and Fire Systems, and Retirement Modifications for Chief of Police Cathy L. Lanier and Fire Chief Dennis L. Rubin Amendment Act of 2008," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5796. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-327, "Producer Licensing Amendment Act of 2008," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5797. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-328, "Special Election Amendment Act of 2008," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5798. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-329, "Prohibition of Discrimination on the Basis of Gender Identity and Expression Amendment Act of 2008," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5799. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a

copy of D.C. ACT 17-330, "Fire-Standard-Compliant Cigarettes Act of 2008," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5800. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-331, "Fire Hydrant Inspection, Repair, and Maintenance Amendment Act of 2008," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5801. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-332, "Department of Transportation Establishment Temporary Amendment Act of 2008," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5802. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-333, "Extension of Time to Dispose of the Old Congress Heights School Temporary Amendment Act of 2008," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5803. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-334, "Inclusionary Zoning Implementation Temporary Amendment Act of 2008," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5804. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-335, "Conversion Fee Clarification Temporary Amendment Act of 2008," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5805. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-336, "Supplemental Appropriations Clarification Temporary Amendment Act of 2008," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

5806. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 17-337, "Local Rent Supplemental Program Temporary Amendment Act of 2008," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 2016. A bill to establish the National Landscape Conservation System, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110-561). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. MCGOVERN: Committee on Rules. H. Res. 1065. A resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5501) to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2009 through 2013 to provide assistance to foreign countries to combat HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria, and for other purposes (Rept. 110-562). Referred to the House Calendar.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. MCCOTTER (for himself, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. WALSH of New

York, Mr. WAMP, Mr. BURGESS, Ms. BERKLEY, and Mr. DEFAZIO):

H.R. 5668. A bill to prohibit Federal government officials and employees from attending the opening ceremonies of the 2008 Summer Olympic Games held in communist China based upon communist China brutalizing protesters in Tibet, supporting and enabling Sudan's genocidal regime, forcing a one child policy upon Chinese families, persecuting Chinese citizens for freely exercising religion, repressing free and independent labor unions, engaging in wanton environmental degradation, and systematically denying the Chinese people their basic freedoms; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. TOWNS (for himself and Mr. TERRY):

H.R. 5669. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the poison center national toll-free number, national media campaign, and grant program to provide assistance for poison prevention, sustain the funding of poison centers, and enhance the public health of people of the United States; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. FOSSELLA (for himself and Mr. PASCARELL):

H.R. 5670. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a Federal income tax credit for certain home purchases; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HERGER (for himself and Mr. BLUMENAUER):

H.R. 5671. A bill to amend the laws establishing the Whiskeytown-Shasta-Trinity National Recreation Area and the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area, units of the National Forest System derived from the public domain, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to retain and utilize special use permit fees collected by the Secretary in connection with the operation of marinas in the recreation area and the operation of the Multnomah Falls Lodge in the scenic area, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas:

H.R. 5672. A bill to establish the Commission on Women's Business Ownership; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committees on Oversight and Government Reform, and Small Business, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. MCCARTHY of California (for himself, Mr. EHLERS, and Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California):

H.R. 5673. A bill to amend the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act to direct the Secretary of Defense to collect absentee ballots of absent overseas uniformed services voters for elections for Federal office and deliver the ballots to State election officials prior to the time established for the closing of the polls on the date of the election, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. MEEK of Florida (for himself, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, and Mr. ELLSWORTH):

H.R. 5674. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to require the Bureau of Prisons to provide secure storage areas in prison facilities for employees authorized to carry a firearm; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MEEK of Florida:

H.R. 5675. A bill to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to revise the classification of certain cigars; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MILLER of Florida:

H.R. 5676. A bill to designate the historic Federal Building located at 100 North