

BRIEFING—OVERHEAD

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Overhead. The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings**ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SECURITY**

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine oil and food prices relative to the link between energy and environmental security, focusing on the role that environmental technologies can play in increasing energy security while combating climate change by reducing demand on hydrocarbon resources, after receiving testimony from Richard Bradley, International Energy Agency, Paris, France; Jonathan Pershing, World Resources Institute, and Jetta Wong, Environmental and Energy Study Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; Justin M. Lee, Nexsun Energy, Inc., Los Angeles, California; and Alex Marker, SCHOTT North America, Duryea, Pennsylvania.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D540)

H.R. 4286, to award a congressional gold medal to Daw Aung San Suu Kyi in recognition of her courageous and unwavering commitment to peace, nonviolence, human rights, and democracy in Burma. Signed on May 6, 2008. (Public Law 110–209).

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY,
MAY 7, 2008**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2009 for the Department of Labor, 9:45 a.m., SD–124.

Subcommittee on Defense, to hold closed hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2009 for the United States intelligence community, 10:30 a.m., S–407, Capitol.

Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2009 for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and the Securities and Exchange Commission, 3 p.m., SD–192.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment, to hold hearings to examine United States credit markets, focusing on the regulation of investment banks by the

United States Securities and Exchange Commission, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Space, Aeronautics, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine reauthorization of vision for space exploration, 9:30 a.m., SR–253.

Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security, to hold hearings to examine the state of the airline industry, focusing on the impact of the Delta/Northwest airlines merger, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider the nominations of Jeffrey F. Kupfer, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy, and Kameran L. Onley, of Washington, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior, and other pending legislation, 9:45 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Public Sector Solutions to Global Warming, Oversight, and Children's Health Protection, to hold an oversight hearing to examine science and environmental regulatory decisions, 9:30 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Marcia Stephens Bloom Bernicat, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Senegal, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea-Bissau, Gillian Arlette Milovanovic, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mali, Donald Gene Teitelbaum, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Ghana, Linda Thomas-Greenfield, of Louisiana, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Liberia, Peter William Bodde, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Malawi, Donald E. Booth, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zambia, Marianne Matuzic Myles, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cape Verde, and Stephen James Nolan, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Botswana, and Patricia McMahan Hawkins, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Togolese Republic, all of the Department of State, 9:30 a.m., SD–419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine international Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism (the "Convention"), adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on April 13, 2005, and signed on behalf of the United States of America on September 14, 2005 (Treaty Doc.110–04), amendment to the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material (the "Amendment"). A conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material, adopted on October 28, 1979, adopted the Amendment on July 8, 2005, at the International Atomic Energy Agency in Vienna (Treaty Doc.110–06), and protocol of 2005 to the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Maritime Navigation (the "2005 SUA Protocol") and the Protocol of 2005 to the Protocol for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Fixed Platforms Located on the Continental Shelf (the "2005 Fixed Platforms Protocol") (together, "the Protocols"), adopted by the International Maritime

Organization Diplomatic Conference in London on October 14, 2005, and signed by the United States of America on February 17, 2006 (Treaty Doc.110–08), 2:30 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine fuel subsidies relating to food supply and prices, 10 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Helene N. White, and Raymond M. Kethledge, both of Michigan, both to be United States Circuit Judges for the Sixth Circuit, and Stephen Joseph Murphy III, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, 10 a.m., SD–226.

Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine concentration in agriculture, focusing on an examination of the JBS Swift Group acquisitions, 2:30 p.m., SD–226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings to examine pending benefits legislation, 9:30 a.m., SD–106.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to continue appropriation hearings with public witnesses, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Air and Land Forces, to mark up H.R. 5658, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009, 10:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Personnel, to mark up H.R. 5658, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009, 11:30 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to mark up H.R. 5658, National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1343, Health Centers Renewal Act of 2007; H.R. 5669, Poison Center Support, Enhancement, and Awareness Act of 2008; and H.R. 1553, Conquer Childhood Cancer Act of 2007, 11 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, hearing on U.S. Foreign Policy in Pakistan: Implications for Regional Security, Stability and Development, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Border, Maritime, and Global Counterterrorism, hearing entitled "Assessing the Resiliency of the Nation's Supply Chain," 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure Protection to continue mark up of the following measures: H.R. 4179, Fair, Accurate, Secure and Timely Redress Act of 2007; H.R. 4749, National Bombing Prevention Act of 2008; H.R. 5909, To amend the Aviation and Transportation Security Act to prohibit advance notice to certain individuals, including security screeners, of covert testing of security screening procedures for the

purpose of enhancing transportation security at airports, and for other purposes; and H. Res. 1150, Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Transportation Security Administration should, in accordance with the congressional mandate provided for in the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007, enhance security against terrorist attack and other security threats to our Nation's rail and mass transit lines, 10:15 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on House Administration, to mark up the following: H.R. 5803, To direct the Federal Assistance Commission to establish a program to make grants to participating States and units of local government which will administer the regularly scheduled general election for Federal office held in November 2008 for carrying out a program to make backup paper ballots available in the case of the failure of a voting system or voting equipment in the election of some other emergency situation, and for other purposes; H.R. 5893, Library of Congress Sound Recording and Film Preservation Programs Reauthorization Act of 2008; and the United States Capitol Police Administrative Technical Corrections Act of 2008, 11 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, Task Force on Competition Policy and Antitrust Laws, hearing on Retail Gas, Part 1 Prices: Consumer Effects, 11 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, to mark up H.R. 5889, Orphan Works Act of 2008, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, to markup H.R. 3094, National Park Centennial Fund Act, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, to continue hearings on the Lack of Hospital Emergency Surge Capacity: Will the Administration's Medicaid Regulations Make It Worse? 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science and Technology, to mark up H.R. 5940, National Nanotechnology Initiative Amendments Act of 2008, 11 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Contracting and Technology, hearing on the role of small businesses in the upcoming digital television (DTV) conversion, 2 p.m., 1539 Longworth.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, to mark up the following measures: H.R. 2452, Raw Sewage Overflow Community Right-to-Know Act; H.R. 135, Twenty-First Century Water Commission Act of 2007; H.R. 5770. To provide for a study by the National Academy of Sciences of potential impacts of climate change on water resources and water quality; and H. Res. 1137, Supporting the goals and ideals of National Public Works Week, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.