

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON RULES, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APRIL 1 AND JUNE 30, 2008

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
David Goldenberg	5/25	5/27	Russia		322.00				620.00		942.00
	5/27	5/28	Finland		212.00				420.00		632.00
	5/28	5/31	Austria		663.00				862.15		1,525.15
Committee total											3,099.15

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.

² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

Hon. LOUISE M. SLAUGHTER, Chairman, July 9, 2008.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS OF OFFICIAL CONDUCT, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 2008

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²

HOUSE COMMITTEES

Please Note: If there were no expenditures during the calendar quarter noted above, please check the box at right to so indicate and return.

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Hon. STEPHANIE TUBBS JONES, Chairman, July 17, 2008.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 2008

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²

HOUSE COMMITTEES

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Hon. BOB FILNER, Chairman, July 14, 2008.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON TAXATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 2008

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²

HOUSE COMMITTEES

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Senator MAX BAUCUS, Chairman, July 15, 2008.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

7816. A letter from the Assistant Director, Directives and Regulations Branch, Office of Regulatory and Management Services, USDA Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — National Environmental Policy Act Procedures (RIN: 0596-AC49) received July 17, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7817. A letter from the Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Raisins Produced From Grapes Grown in California; Revisions to Requirements Regarding Off-Grade Raisins [Docket No. AMS-FV-07-0117; FV07-989-4FR] received July 25, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7818. A letter from the Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Almonds Grown in California; Relaxation of Incoming Quality Control Requirements [Docket No. AMS-FV-08-0044; FV08-981-1 IFR] received July 25, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7819. A letter from the Administrator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Nectarines and Peaches Grown in California; Changes in Handling Requirements for Fresh Nectarines and Peaches [Docket No. AMS-FV-07-0160; FV08-916/917-1 FIR] received July 25, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7820. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Additional Protocol Regulations [Docket No. 08021265-8693-01] (RIN: 0694-AD26) received July 22, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

7821. A letter from the White House Liaison, Department of Education, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7822. A letter from the Presidential Appointments Officer, Department of State, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

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7825. A letter from the Presidential Appointments Officer, Department of State, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7826. A letter from the Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting notification of the new mileage reimbursement rates for Federal employees who use privately owned vehicles while on official travel, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5707(b)(1)(A); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7827. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting notification of an approved plan for a personnel management demonstration project at the Department of Veterans Affairs' Veterans Health Administration, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 4703; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7828. A letter from the Chair of the Board, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation,

transmitting the Corporation's annual report as required by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

7829. A letter from the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Rule to Amend the Listing for the Preble's Meadow Jumping Mouse (*Zapus hudsonius preblei*) To Specify Over What Portion of Its Range the Subspecies Is Threatened [[FWS-R9-ES-2007-0003] [92220-1113-0000; C6]] (RIN: 1018-AV64) received July 24, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

7830. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator For Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Allocating Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands King and Tanner Crab Fishery Resources; Correction [Docket No. 080516675-8677-01] (RIN: 0648-AW88) received July 23, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

7831. A letter from the Program Manager, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Cost Allocation Methodology Applicable to the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program (RIN: 0970-AC15) received July 23, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7832. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Extension of Time for Filing Returns [TD 9407] (RIN: 1545-BE62) received July 24, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7833. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — 26 CFR 601.105: Examination of returns and claims for refund, credit or abatement; determination of correct tax liability. (Also Part I, 860D, 860G, 1001; 1.860G-2, 1.1001-3, 301.7701-2, 301.7701-3, 301.7701-4) (Rev. Proc. 2008-47) received July 24, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7834. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Elections Regarding Start-up Expenditures, Corporation Organizational Expenditures, and Partnership Organizational Expenses [REG-164965-04] (RIN: 1545-BE77) received July 24, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7835. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Coordinated Issue All Industries Supplemental (Beneficial) Environmental Projects (SEPs) UILs: 162.21-18 (Environmental Fraud/DOJ Settled Cases & False Claims) 162.21-22 (Settlements with EPA) 162.21-01 (Cases not covered by either of the above UILs) [LMSB-04-0608-036] received July 24, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7836. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Auction Rate Preferred Stock-Effect of Liquidity Facilities on Equity Character [Notice 2008-55] received July 24, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7837. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — 26 CFR 301.7121-1: Closing Agreements.

(Also Part I, 7702, 7702A.) (Rev. Proc. 2008-38) received July 24, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7838. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — 26 CFR 301.7121-1: Closing Agreements. (Also Part I, 7702A.) (Rev. Proc. 2008-39) received July 24, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7839. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — 26 CFR 301.7121-1: Closing Agreements. (Also Part I, Section 7702.) (Rev. Proc. 2008-40) received July 24, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7840. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — 26 CFR 301.7121-1: Closing Agreements. (Also Part I, Section 817; 1.817-5.) (Rev. Proc. 2008-41) received July 24, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7841. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — 26 CFR 601.105: Examination of returns and claims for refund, credit or abatement; determination of correct tax liability. (Also Part I, 101, 7702.) (Rev. Proc. 2008-42) received July 24, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7842. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Bonus Depreciation for the Kansas Disaster Area [Notice 2008-67] received July 28, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7843. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Relief from Certain Low-Income Housing Credit Requirements Due to Severe Storms and Flooding in Missouri [Notice 2008-66] received July 24, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7844. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Farmer and Fisherman Income Averaging [TD 9417] (RIN: 1545-BE39) received July 22, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7845. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Section 1274.—Determination of Issue Price in the Case of Certain Debt Instruments Issued for Property (Also Sections 42, 280G, 382, 412, 467, 468, 482, 483, 642, 807, 846, 1288, 7520, 7872.) (Rev. Rul. 2008-43) received July 22, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

7846. A letter from the President & CEO, Endowment for Forestry and Communities, transmitting the Endowment's First Annual Report for 2007; jointly to the Committees on Agriculture and Natural Resources.

7847. A letter from the Chairman, Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, transmitting the Eighteenth Annual Report describing the Board's health and safety activities relating to the Department of Energy's defense nuclear facilities during the calendar year 2007; jointly to the Committees on Armed Services and Energy and Commerce.

7848. A letter from the Chairman, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, transmitting a copy of the Commission's "June 2008 Report to the Congress: Reforming the Deliv-

ery System"; jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means. 7849. A letter from the Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's March 2008 "Treasury Bulletin," pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 9602(a); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means, Transportation and Infrastructure, Natural Resources, Energy and Commerce, Education and Labor, and Agriculture.

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. CONYERS: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 6083. A bill to authorize funding for the National Advocacy Center, with an amendment (Rept. 110-784). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. FILNER: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H.R. 6221. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to include in each contract the Secretary enters for the acquisition of goods and services a provision that requires the contractee to comply with the contracting goals and preferences for small business concerns owned or controlled by veterans, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110-785). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. FILNER: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H.R. 6445. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from collecting certain copayments from veterans who are catastrophically disabled, with amendments (Rept. 110-786). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. DINGELL: Committee of Conference. Conference report on H.R. 4040. A bill to establish consumer product safety standards and other safety requirements for children's products and to reauthorize and modernize the Consumer Product Safety Commission (Rept. 110-787). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. FRANK: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 6309. A bill to amend the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992 to define environmental intervention blood lead level and establish additional requirements for certain lead hazard screens, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110-788). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. FILNER: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H.R. 5892. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to modernize the disability benefits claims processing system of the Department of Veterans Affairs to ensure the accurate and timely delivery of compensation to veterans and their families and survivors, and for other purposes (Rept. 110-789). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 3849. A bill to provide for the conveyance of parcels of land to Mantua, Box Elder County, Utah, with an amendment (Rept. 110-790). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 4828. A bill to amend the Palo Alto Battlefield National Historic Site Act of 1991 to expand the boundaries of the historic site, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110-791). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.