other people who need to be tried in military courts and who can't be tried, for various reasons, in civil courts. That is going to be a part of the DOD authorization this year, which will make it difficult. We have to do that because we have passed a law that was declared unconstitutional by the Federal courts. So we have to do that.

We also have to make a decision as to whether we are going to be able to do the Supreme Court nomination during the next work period or whether that will spill over until the next period, which would be September. I have spoken with the Republican leader about that, and he has indicated he is going to be communicating with me as to what he thinks should be done in more detail than our brief conversation yesterday.

So the reason I am talking about this today is to alert all Senators, as I have, as well as Senator McConnell, yesterday, that the next 5 weeks is going to be a unique work period in the Senate. Because of the makeup of the Senate changing over the years and it becoming a place where there is an obligation to work with their families, we aren't able to work the long weeks we have in the past. We have plenty of work to do. No one is complaining that we are not working hard enough, but sometimes you just have to put in the time because of the procedural obligations we have here, procedural rules we have to follow in the Senate.

So the next work period, which is July 5 through August 7, which is 5 weeks, there will only be one no-vote day, and that is July 16. The reason for that is as I have outlined. We are going to conduct business on Mondays and Fridays, and there will be rollcall votes on those days. That is the plan.

I had advised that the no-vote day is Friday, July 17, not July 16. So everything I have said other than that is valid. July 16 is a Thursday.

For example, health care—we cannot complete that most important legislation by working just Tuesday through Thursday.

I had a chairmen's meeting yesterday. We meet every other week with all of the chairmen. It was clear from conversations I had with all of our chairmen that we are going to have to have a very long, hard work period in July. If there are questions anyone has or special circumstances, they can contact the Republican leader or me, and we will be happy to take a look, but everyone is on notice that is where we are. So with respect to your scheduling on Mondays and Fridays, be very careful because we are not going to be able to come in here on Mondays at 5. We are going to have to have regular workdays.

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I ask my friend before he leaves the floor, what was the no-vote day in the July work period?

Mr. REID. July 17.

Mr. McCONNELL. The 17th. I thank the leader.