

Korea, and other states suspected of nuclear proliferation.

(2) A detailed account of the economic support provided by Venezuela to Cuba and the intelligence and other support that Cuba provides to the government of Hugo Chavez.

(3) A review of the evidence of relationships between the Cuban government or any of its components with drug cartels or involvement in other drug trafficking activities.

(4) The status and extent of Cuba's clandestine activities in the United States.

(5) The extent and activities of Cuban support for governments in Venezuela, Bolivia, Ecuador, Central America, and the Caribbean.

(6) The status and extent of Cuba's research and development program for biological weapons production.

(7) The status and extent of Cuba's cyberwarfare program.

**SA 1536.** Mr. MARTINEZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1390, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2010 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle B of title XII, add the following:

**SEC. 1222. REPORT ON VENEZUELA.**

Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of National Intelligence shall provide to the defense and intelligence committees of the Congress a report addressing the following:

(1) An inventory of all weapons purchases by, and transfers to, the government of Venezuela and Venezuela's transfers to other countries since 1998, particularly purchases and transfers of missiles, ships, submarines, and any other advanced systems. The report shall include an assessment of whether there is accountability of the purchases and transfers with respect to the end-use and diversion of such materiel to popular militias, other governments, or irregular armed forces.

(2) The mining and shipping of Venezuelan uranium to Iran, North Korea, and other states suspected of nuclear proliferation.

(3) The extent to which Hugo Chavez and other Venezuelan officials and supporters of the Venezuelan government provide political counsel, collaboration, financial ties, refuge, and other forms of support, including military materiel, to the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC).

(4) The extent to which Hugo Chavez and other Venezuelan officials provide funding, logistical and political support to the Islamist terrorist organization Hezbollah.

(5) Deployment of Venezuelan security or intelligence personnel to Bolivia, including any role such personnel have in suppressing opponents of the government of Bolivia.

(6) Venezuela's clandestine material support for political movements and individuals throughout the Western Hemisphere with the objective of influencing the internal affairs of nations in the Western Hemisphere.

(7) Efforts by Hugo Chavez and other officials or supporters of the Venezuelan government to convert or launder funds that are the property of Venezuelan government agencies, instrumentalities, parastatals, including Petroleos de Venezuela, SA (PDVSA).

(8) Covert payments by Hugo Chavez or officials or supporters of the Venezuelan gov-

ernment to foreign political candidates, government officials, or officials of international organizations for the purpose of influencing the performance of their official duties.

**SA 1537.** Mr. MARTINEZ (for himself and Mr. INHOFE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1390, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2010 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle C of title XII, add the following:

**SEC. 1232. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON CONTINUED SUPPORT BY THE UNITED STATES FOR A STABLE AND DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF IRAQ.**

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following findings:

(1) The men and women of the United States Armed Forces who have served or are serving in the Republic of Iraq have done so with the utmost bravery and courage and deserve the respect and gratitude of the people of the United States and the people of Iraq.

(2) The leadership of Generals David Petraeus and Raymond Odierno, as the Commanders of the Multi-National Force Iraq, as well as Ambassador Ryan Crocker, was instrumental in bringing stability and success to Iraq.

(3) The strategy known as the surge resulted in significant security gains and facilitated the economic, political, and social gains that have occurred in Iraq since the surge was initiated in 2007.

(4) The people of Iraq have begun to develop a stable government and stable society because of the security provided by the surge and the decision of the people of Iraq to accept the ideals of a free and fair democratic society over the tyranny espoused by Al Qaeda and other terrorist organizations.

(5) The security gains achieved by the surge must be carefully maintained so that those fragile gains can be solidified and expanded upon, primarily by citizens of Iraq in service to their country, with the support of the United States as necessary.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) a stable and democratic Republic of Iraq is in the long-term national security interest of the United States;

(2) the people and the Government of the United States are committed to helping the people of Iraq ensure the stability of Iraq and peace in the region, which the stability of Iraq will provide; and

(3) the United States should be a long-term strategic partner with the Government and the people of Iraq in support of their efforts to build democracy, good governance, and peace and stability in the region, including through providing non-military assistance to the people of Iraq.

**SA 1538.** Mr. UDALL of New Mexico submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1390, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2010 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 571, line 6, strike "\$5,395,831,000" and insert "\$5,763,856,000".

**AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET**

**COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS**

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 14, 2009 at 9 a.m., to conduct a hearing on "Creating a Consumer Financial Protection Agency: A Cornerstone of America's New Economic Foundation."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

**COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES**

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate to conduct a hearing on Tuesday, July 14, 2009, at 10 a.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

**COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS**

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 14, 2009, at 10 a.m. in room 406 of the Dirksen Office Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

**COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS**

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 14, 2009, at 2:30 p.m. in room 406 of the Dirksen Office Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

**COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 14, 2009, at 10 a.m., in 215 Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

**COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS**

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 14, 2009, at 9 a.m. in room 325 of the Russell Office Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

**COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY**

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized

to meet during the session of the Senate on July 14, 2009, at 9:30 a.m., in room SH-216 of the Hart Senate Office Building, to continue the hearing on the nomination of Sonia Sotomayor to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 14, 2009 at 9:30 a.m. to conduct a hearing entitled, "Women Veterans: Bridging the Gaps in Care." The Committee will meet in room 418 of the Russell Senate Office Building beginning at 9:30 a.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### SUBCOMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION, PRODUCT SAFETY, AND INSURANCE

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 14, 2009, at 10 a.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mrs. LINCOLN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Susan Kalasanas, who is a fellow in my office, be granted the privilege of the floor for the duration of my remarks.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. LIEBERMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that MAJ Brian Forrest of the United States Army, whom I am privileged to have working in my office for a year, be granted floor privileges for the time the Senate is debating S. 1390, the National Defense Authorization Act for 2010.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 2009

Mr. KAUFMAN. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 15; that following the prayer and the pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate resume consideration of Calendar No. 89, S. 1390, the Department of Defense authorization bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. SHAHEEN). Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. KAUFMAN. Madam President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it adjourn under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:05 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, July 15, 2009, at 9:30 a.m.

#### NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

##### PEACE CORPS

AARON S. WILLIAMS, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE PEACE CORPS, VICE RONALD A. TSCHETTER, RESIGNED.

##### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

BRENDA DANN-MESSIER, OF RHODE ISLAND, TO BE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR VOCATIONAL AND ADULT EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, VICE TROY R. JUSTESSEN.

##### DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

DENNIS K. BURKE, OF ARIZONA, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE DIANE J. HUMETWEA.

STEVEN M. DETTELBACH, OF OHIO, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE GREGORY A. WHITE, RESIGNED.

BRENDAN V. JOHNSON, OF SOUTH DAKOTA, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH DAKOTA FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE MARTIN J. JACKLEY.

KAREN LOUISE LOEFFLER, OF ALASKA, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE DISTRICT OF ALASKA FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE TIMOTHY MARK BURGESS, RESIGNED.

FLORENCE T. NAKAKUNI, OF HAWAII, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE DISTRICT OF HAWAII FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE EDWARD HACHIRO KUBO, JR.

CARTER M. STEWART, OF OHIO, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE GREGORY GORDON LOCKHART.

##### IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

##### To be major

ANTONIO J. ALFONSO  
TINA L. ALLEN  
MICHAEL S. ALLMAN  
JULIE JOANNE ANDERSON  
DEBORAH J. ANGELES  
RICHARD J. ANSHUTZ  
HECTOR R. APONTE  
CHRISTOPHER L. ARCHER  
GALMAR F. BALLACEDA  
GLENN S. BANKSON  
JENNIFER D. BANKSTON  
AMBER J. BARKER  
GEORGE T. BENSEMA  
BENJAMIN BERZINIS  
MELISSA A. BIRTZER  
ANNA M. BRENNAN  
DENISE D. CARCAMO  
TRACI R. CARTER  
WILLIAM R. CARTER  
ROBERT L. CHAPLIN, JR.  
WENDY A. CHAPMAN  
STEPHANIE CHRICO  
KRISTA L. CHRISTIANSON  
JUVELYN T. CHUA  
WILLIAM N. CLARK  
ROBERT L. COLELLA, JR.  
JOY A. COLLINS  
MOROM D. COULSON  
ARMANDO L. CRUZ  
PENNY H. CUNNINGHAM  
PATRICIA J. DALTON  
TAMARA D. DAVIS  
PATTI JO IRENE DEMOTTS  
RENAE R. DENELSBECK  
LATASHA L. DUNN  
JON D. EARLES  
EMMELYNE P. EATON  
MARION L. FOREMAN, JR.  
MICHAEL M. FRIEBEL  
MICKAELLE M. GERMAIN  
TOD A. GIGLIO  
MARK C. GOSLING  
SUZANNE M. GREEN  
KRISTA D. GREY  
BOBBIE A. HANNER  
MICHELLE L. HARMON  
JAMALE R. HART  
THOR F. HAUFF  
KAREN A. HENDERSON

DAVID P. HERNANDEZ  
ERVIN HERNANDEZ  
JENNIFER B. HESSOCK  
RONALD K. HODGEN  
LONNIE W. HODGES  
NISA T. HOGLE  
DAWNKIMBERLY Y. HOPKINS  
CLARENCE M. HUTTO  
STEPHANIE ISAACFRANCIS  
KELVIN L. JACK  
KAREN S. JACKSON  
JENNIFER LEA JAMISON GINES  
TERRI J. JENNINGS  
KARL E. KAMMER  
AMANDA C. KRBEK  
LYNN M. LAGADON  
ALICIA M. LASITER  
SCOTT A. LEBLANC  
BRENDA LEE  
TAMARA A. LEITAKERMYERS  
AARON M. LEONARD  
DAVID M. LEWIS  
SARAH J. LINTHICUM  
JON D. LONG  
ROY L. LOUCHE  
AMY F. MACIAS  
ASHA K. MANDHARE  
FOSTER ARTHUR MARRUFFO  
CURLIN M. MARTINSON  
MARIO D. MAXWELL  
DANIELLE J. MCALLISTER  
CINDY A. MCCULLOUGH  
CLAUDIA G. MENJIVAR  
TERESE E. MICHAUD  
LAURIE A. MIGLIORE  
WILLIAM R. MITCHELL  
JAMES H. MONTGOMERY  
MARIA E. MORGAN  
SANDRA R. NESTOR  
DAVID S. NORWOOD  
GARY W. NOVAK  
SARAH E. OLIVER  
TONI OLIVIERI  
ADELEKE A. OYEMADE  
WANDA R. PARKS  
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DAVID A. POJMAN  
JONATHAN M. PRATT  
GARY A. PULMANO  
DONNA L. RADCLIFF  
TIMOTHY N. RAINES  
SUSAN P. RHEA  
KRISTINE L. RILEY  
GRICEL RODRIGUEZ  
HEATHER N. ROSCISZEWSKI  
ROBERT D. ROTH  
SCOTT F. SANDERS  
MARY E. SCHROEDER  
TIMOTHY L. SHAW  
AMANDA L. SIANGCO  
ZAHID M. SIDDIQUE  
KEVIN J. SKAGGS  
ERIKA T. SMITH  
PABLO A. SNEAD  
LORI S. SPICER  
MARSHA R. STARKS  
WANDA K. STAUFFER  
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SHERRY D. STIGALL  
ELIZABETH E. TAILLON  
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CLINTON K. WAHL  
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THEODORA G. WHITFIELD  
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DESMOND J. BIAVA  
GWENDOLYN M. BOLEWARE  
PHILIP C. BOSSART  
SAUNYA N. BRIGHT  
DAVID D. BURNS  
PAMELA A. BYRD  
EDGAR G. CADUA  
CATHERINE M. CALLENDER  
LARRY D. CARNES  
SEAN M. CHICKERY  
RICHARD C. CLARK  
BARRY J. CLARK  
JOSEPH S. COFER  
ADAYMEE COFRESI  
JOANNE S. CONLEY  
KWAME A. CURTIS  
BRIAN K. DART  
LAURA J. DART  
ANTHONY P. DAVIS  
PATRICE L. DAVIS  
STEVEN W. DAWSON  
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STEVEN A. DEZELL