

peace and understanding, with a special tea ceremony performed on a sacred American site, the Arizona Memorial. The Memorial is positioned above the sunken battleship USS *Arizona*, the final resting place of hundreds of servicemembers killed in the attack on Pearl Harbor. The ceremony is a strong statement supporting the potential for peace despite a tragic history.

Japan is one of America's strongest and most trusted allies and I thank Dr. Sen for his work to promote good relations between our two countries. I also recognize Soshitsu Sen, the 16th and current grand tea master of the Urasenke School. Finally, my thanks to Mrs. Jean Ariyoshi, former First Lady of Hawaii, who was instrumental in arranging today's historic event at the *Arizona* Memorial.●

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:39 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 33. An act to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to specify when certain securities issued in connection with church plans are treated as exempted securities for purposes of that Act.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 33. An act to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to specify when certain securities issued in connection with church plans are treated as exempted securities for purposes of that Act; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-2502. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 65) (Docket No. FEMA-2011-0002)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2503. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Australia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2504. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Biennial Specifications and Management Measures; Inseason Adjustments" (RIN0648-BB21) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14,

2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2505. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Recreational Management Measures for the Summer Flounder; Scup, and Black Sea Bass Fisheries; 2011 Scup Specifications; Fishing Year 2011" (RIN0648-BA92) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2506. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Western Pacific; Mechanism for Specifying Annual Catch Limits and Accountability Measures" (RIN0648-AY93) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2507. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Western Pacific Pelagic Fisheries; Prohibiting Longline Fishing Within 30 Nautical Miles of the Northern Mariana Islands" (RIN0648-AW67) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2508. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interim Enforcement Policy for Certain Fire Protection Issues" (RIN3150-AG48) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2509. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New Mexico; Prevention of Significant Deterioration; Greenhouse Gas Tailoring Rule Revisions" (FRL No. 9440-7) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2510. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan" (FRL No. 9440-1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2511. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Alabama; Disapproval of Interstate Transport Submission for the 2006 24-hour PM2.5 Standards" (FRL No. 9438-1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2512. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the

report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Georgia; Disapproval of Interstate Transport Submission for the 2006 24-hour PM2.5 Standards" (FRL No. 9438-2) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2513. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plan; Kentucky; Disapproval of Interstate Transport Submission for the 2006 24-hour PM2.5 Standards" (FRL No. 9437-9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2514. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New Mexico; Section 110(a)(2) Infrastructure Requirements for 1997 8-hour Ozone and Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards; New Mexico Ambient Quality Standards; Approval of New Mexico's PSD Program; CFR Codification Technical Corrections" (FRL No. 9438-7) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2515. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plan; North Carolina; Disapproval of Interstate Transport Submission for the 2006 24-hour PM2.5 Standards" (FRL No. 9438-3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2516. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Control of Nitrogen Oxides Emissions from Portland Cement Kilns" (FRL No. 9439-8) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2517. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Vermont; Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT) for the 1997 8-hour Ozone Standard" (FRL No. 9439-5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2518. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of Missouri" (FRL No. 9440-9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2519. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Outer Continental