

have some orderly procedure as we have had in the past. My thinking at this time is that we would just stand in recess subject to the call of the Chair while we talk this through. It may not be necessary to do anything further as far as a recorded vote but it may be. So we just wanted Senators to be on notice of that.

RECESS SUBJECT TO THE CALL OF THE CHAIR

Therefore, I ask unanimous consent, Mr. Chief Justice, that the Senate stand in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

There being no objection, at 1:33 p.m., the Senate recessed subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reassembled at 4:47 p.m. when called to order by the Chief Justice.

The CHIEF JUSTICE. The Chair recognizes the majority leader.

Mr. LOTT. Thank you, Mr. Chief Justice.

First, I thank all the Members, all concerned, for their patience throughout this process. We have had a productive day, and I believe this recess that we have been experiencing has been helpful in allowing further discussions to occur and to clarify what the procedures will be from here through the subpoena and deposition process and, hopefully, even to a conclusion.

Senator DASCHLE and I have traded proposals which outline those procedures for the remainder of the trial, and although I won't go into detail at this time, I will say that both proposals bring us to a final vote on the pending articles of impeachment in an expeditious manner. We have been narrowing the questions that are involved, and we are now working on what I hope will be the final draft. But it is not going to be possible to complete that this afternoon. We hope to be able to do it when we reconvene at 1 p.m. on Thursday.

There will be conferences of the two parties in the morning so that we can go over this with all the Senators. It is not enough just that the leaders understand or agree; we have to make sure every Senator understands it and agrees with the procedure that we would go forward with.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 1 P.M.  
TOMORROW

Mr. LOTT. I now ask unanimous consent that the Court of Impeachment stand in adjournment until the hour of 1 p.m. on Thursday.

There being no objection, at 4:47 p.m., the Senate, sitting as a Court of Impeachment, adjourned until Thursday, January 28, 1999, at 1 p.m.

(Under a previous order, the following material was submitted at the desk during today's session.)

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER  
COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-995. A communication from the Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting, an updated report on statistics regarding rescissions proposed by the executive branch and rescissions enacted by the Congress through October 1, 1998; transmitted jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975, as modified by the order of April 11, 1986, to the Committee on Appropriations and to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-996. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Agency's report on activities under Title XII-Famine Prevention and Freedom From Hunger; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-997. A communication from the Director of the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "North Dakota Regulatory Program" (ND-037-FOR) received on January 5, 1999; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-998. A communication from the Chairman of the National Safety Council, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Council's combined financial statements for the years ended June 30, 1998 and 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-999. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of fund transfers for fiscal years 1997 and 1998; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1000. A communication from the Director of the Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prevailing Rate Systems; Lead Agency Responsibility" (RIN3206-AI48) received on January 4, 1999; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1001. A communication from the Director of the Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pay Administration (General); Collection by Offset from Indebted Government Employees" (RIN3206-AH63) received on January 4, 1999; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1002. A communication from the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Endowment's annual report under the Integrity Act for calendar year 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1003. A communication from the Administrator of the Rural Utilities Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Electric Overhead Distribution Lines; Specifications and Drawings for 24.9/14.4 kV Line Construction" received on January 4, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1004. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pine Shoot Beetle; Addition to Quarantined Areas" (Docket 98-113-1) received on January 5, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1005. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to

law, the report of a rule entitled "Protection of Individual Privacy in Records" (RIN1290-AA16) received on November 6, 1998; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1006. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Process for Electing State Agency Representatives for Consultations with Department of Labor Relating to Nationwide Employment Statistics System" (RIN1290-AA19) received on December 30, 1998; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1007. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" (63 FR28268) received on January 4, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1008. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "India and Pakistan Sanctions and Other Measures" (RIN0694-AB73) received on November 16, 1998; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1009. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Encryption Items" (0694-AB80) received on January 4, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1010. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Welfare-to-Work Data Collection" (RIN0970-AB92) received on November 6, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1011. A communication from the Chief Counsel of the Bureau of the Public Debt, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fee Structure for the Transfer of U.S. Treasury Book-Entry Securities Held on the National Book-Entry System" received on November 17, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1012. A communication from the Federal Register Certifying Officer, Financial Management Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Offset of Tax Refund Payments to Collect Past-Due Support" (RIN1510-AA63) received on December 30, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1013. A communication from the Regulatory Policy Officer, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Johannisberg Riesling; Deferral of Compliance Date" (RIN1512-AB81) received on January 5, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1014. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "1999 Limitations Adjusted As Provided in Section 415(d), Etc." (Notice 98-53) received on November 17, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1015. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Communications and Information, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule regarding the availability of funds under the Telecommunications and Information Infrastructure Assistance Program (RIN0660-ZA06) received on January 4, 1999; to the