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I thank my colleagues for their hard work in passing this critical legislation.

ORDER FOR FILING LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

Mr. BROWNBACK. I ask unanimous consent that, notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, committees have from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Friday, August 27, in order to file legislative matters.

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

REMOVAL OF INJUNCTION OF SECRECY—TREATY DOCUMENT NO. 106-5

Mr. BROWNBACK. As in executive session, I ask unanimous consent that the injunction of secrecy be removed from the following convention transmitted to the Senate on August 5, 1999, by the President of the United States, that being Convention No. 182 for Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labor, Treaty Document 106-5. I further ask that the convention be considered as having been read the first time, that it be referred, with accompanying papers, to the Committee on Foreign Relations, and the President's message be printed in the RECORD.

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

The message of the President is as follows:

To the Senate of the United States:

With a view to receiving the advice and consent of the Senate to ratification of the Convention (No. 182) Concerning the Prohibition and Immediate Action for the Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labor, adopted by the International Labor Conference at its 87th Session in Geneva on June 17, 1999, I transmit herewith a certified copy of that Convention. I transmit also for the Senate's information a certified copy of a recommendation (No. 190) on the same subject, adopted by the International Labor Conference on the same date, which amplifies some of the Convention's provisions. No action is called for on the recommendation.

The report of the Department of State, with a letter from the Secretary of Labor, concerning the Convention is enclosed.

As explained more fully in the enclosed letter from the Secretary of Labor, current United States law and practice satisfy the requirements of Convention No. 182. Ratification of this Convention, therefore, should not require the United States to alter in any way its law or practice in this field.

In the interest of clarifying the domestic application of the Convention, my Administration proposes that two understandings accompany U.S. ratification.

The proposed understandings are as follows:

—The United States understands that Article 3(d) of Convention 182 does not encompass situations in which children are employed by a parent or by a person standing in the place of a parent on a farm owned or operated by such parent or person.

—The United States understands that the term "basic education" in Article 7 of Convention 182 means primary education plus one year: eight or nine years of schooling, based on curriculum and not age.

These understandings would have no effect on our international obligations under Convention No. 182.

Convention No. 182 represents a true breakthrough for the children of the world. Ratification of this instrument will enhance the ability of the United States to provide global leadership in the effort to eliminate the worst forms of child labor. I recommend that the Senate give its advice and consent to the ratification of ILO Convention No. 182.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, August 5, 1999.

ORDER FOR NOMINATIONS TO REMAIN IN STATUS QUO

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, as in executive session, I ask unanimous consent that all nominations received by the Senate during the 106th Congress remain in status quo, notwithstanding the August adjournment of the Senate and the provisions of rule XXXI, paragraph 6, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, with the following exceptions, which I send to the desk.

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

The exceptions are as follows:

Richard W. Bogosian, of Maryland, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Special Coordinator for Rwanda/Burundi.

Paula J. Dobriansky, of Virginia, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2001. (Reappointment.)

Charles H. Dolan, Jr., of Virginia, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for term expiring July 1, 2000. (Reappointment.)

Frank J. Guarini, of New Jersey, to be U.S. Representative to the Fifty-second session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Regina Montoya, of Texas, to be U.S. Representative to the Fifty-third Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Hassan Nemazee, of New York, to be Ambassador to Argentina.

Bill Richardson, of New Mexico, to be U.S. Representative to the Forty-second Session of the General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency.

Jack J. Spitzer, of Washington, to be Alternate U.S. Representative to the Fifty-second Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

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The following named Member of the Foreign Service of the Department of Commerce, to be Secretary in the Diplomatic Service of the United States of America: David Gussack, of Washington.

JUDICIARY

Barbara Durham of Washington.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. BROWNBACK. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate immediately proceed to executive session to consider the following nominations en bloc: Executive Calendar Nos. 166, 167, 191, 195, 198, 199, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221 through 226, and all nominations on the Secretary's desk in the Foreign Service, the nomination of Mervyn Mosbacher, reported today by the Judiciary Committee. I further ask consent that the following list of nominations be discharged from the Banking Committee and the Foreign Relations Committee, and the Senate proceed to their consideration as well.

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

The list is as follows:

From the Foreign Relations Committee: Jeffrey A. Bader, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Namibia;

Martin G. Brennan, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Uganda;

Tibor P. Nagy, Jr., of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia;

Barbro A. Owens-Kirkpatrick, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Niger.

From the Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee:

Martin Neil Baily, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisors; and

Robert Z. Lawrence, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisors.

Mr. BROWNBACK. I ask unanimous consent that the nominations be considered and confirmed en bloc, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, any statements be printed in the RECORD, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate then return to legislative session.

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

The nominations considered and confirmed en bloc are as follows:

COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

William J. Rainer, of New Mexico, to be Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

William J. Rainer, of New Mexico, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for the term expiring April 13, 2004.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

M. Osman Siddique, of Virginia, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Fiji, and to serve concurrently and