

Hobson	Mica	Sensenbrenner
Hoefel	Millender-	Serrano
Hoekstra	McDonald	Sessions
Holden	Miller (FL)	Shadegg
Holt	Miller, Gary	Shaw
Hooley	Miller, George	Shays
Horn	Minge	Sherman
Hostettler	Mink	Sherwood
Houghton	Moakley	Shimkus
Hoyer	Mollohan	Shows
Hulshof	Moore	Shuster
Hunter	Moran (KS)	Simpson
Hutchinson	Moran (VA)	Sisisky
Hyde	Morella	Skeen
Inslee	Murtha	Skelton
Isakson	Myrick	Slaughter
Istook	Nadler	Smith (MI)
Jackson (IL)	Napolitano	Smith (NJ)
Jackson-Lee	Neal	Smith (TX)
(TX)	Nethercutt	Smith (WA)
Jenkins	Ney	Snyder
John	Northup	Souder
Johnson (CT)	Norwood	Spence
Johnson, E. B.	Nussle	Spratt
Johnson, Sam	Oberstar	Stabenow
Jones (NC)	Obey	Stark
Jones (OH)	Olver	Stearns
Kanjorski	Ortiz	Stenholm
Kaptur	Ose	Strickland
Kasich	Owens	Stump
Kelly	Oxley	Stupak
Kennedy	Packard	Sununu
Kildee	Pallone	Sweeney
Kilpatrick	Pascrell	Talent
Kind (WI)	Pastor	Tancredo
King (NY)	Paul	Tanner
Kingston	Payne	Tauscher
Klecзка	Pease	Tauzin
Klink	Pelosi	Taylor (MS)
Knollenberg	Peterson (MN)	Taylor (NC)
Kolbe	Peterson (PA)	Terry
Kucinich	Petri	Thomas
Kuykendall	Phelps	Thompson (CA)
LaFalce	Pickering	Thompson (MS)
Lampson	Pickett	Thornberry
Lantos	Pitts	Thune
Largent	Pombo	Thurman
Larson	Pomeroy	Tiahrt
Latham	Porter	Tierney
LaTourette	Portman	Toomey
Lazio	Price (NC)	Towns
Leach	Pryce (OH)	Traficant
Lee	Quinn	Turner
Levin	Radanovich	Udall (CO)
Lewis (CA)	Rahall	Udall (NM)
Lewis (GA)	Ramstad	Upton
Lewis (KY)	Rangel	Velázquez
Linder	Regula	Vento
Lipinski	Reyes	Visclosky
LoBiondo	Reynolds	Vitter
Lofgren	Riley	Walden
Lowey	Rivers	Walsh
Lucas (KY)	Rodriguez	Wamp
Lucas (OK)	Roemer	Waters
Luther	Rogan	Watkins
Maloney (CT)	Rogers	Watt (NC)
Maloney (NY)	Rohrabacher	Watts (OK)
Manzullo	Ros-Lehtinen	Waxman
Markey	Rothman	Weiner
Martinez	Rothman	Weldon (FL)
Matsui	Roukema	Weldon (PA)
McCarthy (MO)	Roybal-Allard	Weller
McCarthy (NY)	Royce	Wexler
McCollum	Rush	Weygand
McCrery	Ryan (WI)	Whitfield
McDermott	Ryun (KS)	Wicker
McGovern	Sabo	Wilson
McHugh	Salmon	Wise
McInnis	Sánchez	Wolf
McIntosh	Sanders	Woolsey
McIntyre	Sandlin	Wu
McKeon	Sanford	Wynn
McNulty	Sawyer	Young (AK)
Meehan	Saxton	Young (FL)
Meek (FL)	Schaffer	
Menendez	Schakowsky	
	Scott	

NOT VOTING—11

Berry	Jefferson	Meeks (NY)
Bilbray	LaHood	Metcalf
Blumenauer	Mascara	Scarborough
Hill (MT)	McKinney	

□ 1303

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the joint resolution, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. BERRY. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained for rollcall votes 474 and 475. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes" on rollcall vote No. 474, and "yes" on rollcall vote No. 475.

SENSE OF CONGRESS IN SYMPATHY FOR VICTIMS OF HURRICANE FLOYD

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. THORNBERRY). The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the resolution, H. Res. 322.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. FRANKS) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 322, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 417, nays 0, answered "present" 1, not voting 15, as follows:

[Roll No. 476]  
YEAS—417

Ackerman	Boyd	Crowley
Aderholt	Brady (PA)	Cubin
Allen	Brady (TX)	Cummings
Andrews	Brown (FL)	Cunningham
Archer	Brown (OH)	Danner
Armye	Bryant	Davis (FL)
Bachus	Burr	Davis (IL)
Baird	Burton	Davis (VA)
Baker	Buyer	Deal
Baldacci	Callahan	DeFazio
Baldwin	Calver	DeGette
Ballenger	Camp	Delahunt
Barcia	Campbell	DeLauro
Barr	Canady	DeMint
Barrett (NE)	Cannon	Deutsch
Barrett (WI)	Capps	Diaz-Balart
Bartlett	Capuano	Dickey
Barton	Cardin	Dicks
Bass	Carson	Dingell
Bateman	Castle	Dixon
Becerra	Chabot	Doggett
Bentsen	Chambliss	Dooley
Berkley	Chenoweth-Hage	Doolittle
Berman	Clay	Doyle
Berry	Clayton	Dreier
Biggett	Clement	Duncan
Bilbray	Clyburn	Dunn
Bilirakis	Coble	Edwards
Bishop	Coburn	Ehlers
Blagojevich	Collins	Ehrlich
Biley	Combest	Emerson
Blunt	Condit	Engel
Boehert	Conyers	English
Boehner	Cook	Eshoo
Bonilla	Cooksey	Etheridge
Bonior	Costello	Evans
Bono	Cox	Everett
Borski	Coyne	Ewing
Boswell	Cramer	Farr
Boucher	Crane	Fattah

Filner	LaTourette	Rodriguez
Fletcher	Lazio	Roemer
Foley	Leach	Rogan
Forbes	Lee	Rogers
Ford	Levin	Rohrabacher
Fossella	Lewis (CA)	Ros-Lehtinen
Fowler	Lewis (GA)	Rothman
Frank (MA)	Lewis (KY)	Roukema
Franks (NJ)	Linder	Roybal-Allard
Frelinghuysen	Lipinski	Rush
Frost	LoBiondo	Ryan (WI)
Gallegly	Lofgren	Ryun (KS)
Ganske	Lowey	Sabo
Gejdenson	Lucas (KY)	Salmon
Gekas	Lucas (OK)	Sánchez
Gephardt	Luther	Sanders
Gibbons	Maloney (CT)	Sandlin
Gilchrest	Maloney (NY)	Sanford
Gillmor	Markey	Sawyer
Gilman	Martinez	Saxton
Gonzalez	Matsui	Schaffer
Goode	McCarthy (MO)	Schakowsky
Goodlatte	McCarthy (NY)	Scott
Goodling	McCollum	Sensenbrenner
Gordon	McCrery	Serrano
Goss	McDermott	Sessions
Graham	McGovern	Shadegg
Granger	McHugh	Shaw
Green (TX)	McInnis	Shays
Green (WI)	McIntosh	Sherman
Greenwood	McIntyre	Sherwood
Gutierrez	McKeon	Shimkus
Gutknecht	McNulty	Shows
Hall (OH)	Meehan	Shuster
Hall (TX)	Meek (FL)	Simpson
Hansen	Menendez	Sisisky
Hastings (FL)	Mica	Skeen
Hastings (WA)	Millender-	Skelton
Hayes	McDonald	Slaughter
Hayworth	Miller (FL)	Smith (MI)
Hefley	Miller, Gary	Smith (NJ)
Herger	Miller, George	Smith (TX)
Hill (IN)	Minge	Smith (WA)
Hilliard	Mink	Snyder
Hinchee	Moakley	Souder
Hinojosa	Mollohan	Spence
Hobson	Moore	Spratt
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Istook	Olver	Taylor (NC)
Jackson (IL)	Ortiz	Terry
Jackson-Lee	Ose	Thomas
(TX)	Owens	Thompson (CA)
Jefferson	Oxley	Thompson (MS)
Jenkins	Packard	Thornberry
John	Pallone	Thune
Johnson (CT)	Pascrell	Thurman
Johnson (E. B.)	Pastor	Tiahrt
Johnson, Sam	Payne	Tierney
Jones (NC)	Pease	Toomey
Jones (OH)	Pelosi	Towns
Kanjorski	Peterson (MN)	Traficant
Kaptur	Peterson (PA)	Turner
Kasich	Petri	Udall (CO)
Kelly	Phelps	Udall (NM)
Kennedy	Pickering	Upton
Kildee	Pickett	Velázquez
Kilpatrick	Pitts	Vento
Kind (WI)	Pombo	Visclosky
King (NY)	Pomeroy	Vitter
Kingston	Porter	Walden
Klecзка	Portman	Walsh
Klink	Price (NC)	Wamp
Knollenberg	Pryce (OH)	Waters
Kolbe	Quinn	Watkins
Kucinich	Radanovich	Watt (NC)
Kuykendall	Rahall	Watts (OK)
LaFalce	Ramstad	Waxman
Lampson	Regula	Weiner
Lantos	Reyes	Weldon (FL)
Largent	Reynolds	Weldon (PA)
Larson	Riley	Weller
Latham	Rivers	Wexler

Weygand	Wise	Wynn
Whitfield	Wolf	Young (AK)
Wicker	Woolsey	Young (FL)
Wilson	Wu	

## ANSWERED "PRESENT"—1

Paul

## NOT VOTING—15

Abercrombie	Hilleary	Meeks (NY)
Bereuter	LaHood	Metcalf
Blumenauer	Manzullo	Rangel
DeLay	Mascara	Royce
Hill (MT)	McKinney	Scarborough

□ 1311

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

□ 1315

WAIVING POINTS OF ORDER AGAINST CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 2606, FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2000

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 307 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

## H. RES. 307

*Resolved*, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2606) making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes. All points of order against the conference report and against its consideration are waived. The conference report shall be considered as read.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Florida (Mr. DIAZ-BALART) is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. DIAZ-BALART. Mr. Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. HALL), pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purpose of debate only.

Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 307 is the standard rule waiving points of order for the conference report to accompany H.R. 2606, the foreign operations appropriations bill for fiscal year 2000. The rule waives points of order against the conference agreement and its consideration and provides that the conference report shall be considered as read.

I support this rule, and I support the underlying conference report as well. There are many important programs which are being funded in this conference report, and because there are no country earmarks, the President and the Secretary of State are afforded

great flexibility to conduct foreign policy as they see fit in this area.

I thank the gentleman from Alabama (Chairman CALLAHAN). I think he has done an extraordinary job, as has the ranking member, the gentlewoman from California (Ms. PELOSI). They have done a lot of hard work on this important conference report, and I urge both the adoption of the rule by our colleagues, as well as passage of the conference report.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. HALL of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Florida for yielding me the time.

Mr. Speaker, this rule makes in order consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 2606, a bill that makes appropriations for foreign aid and export assistance in fiscal year 2000. The rule waives all points of order against the conference report.

Mr. Speaker, foreign aid is part of the price we pay to be the political and the moral leader of this world, and, just as it is our duty as individuals to help others less fortunate than we are, it is our duty as a Nation to help those countries which are struggling. There are more direct benefits. Foreign aid creates jobs here in the United States, increases exports and opens markets overseas for American businesses.

A report several years ago by the Washington polling firm of Belden & Russonello concluded that Americans strongly support humanitarian assistance to developing countries, which is part of foreign aid. In one poll, the average American thinks that almost one-third of the Federal budget is spent on foreign aid. However, in reality, less than 1 percent of the Federal budget goes to foreign aid. The evidence suggests that the more people think about foreign aid, the more likely they are to support it.

There are good provisions in this conference report. It provides a \$65 million increase for the Child Survival and Disease Programs Funds. This includes a \$5 million increase for UNICEF, which is so important to helping children throughout the world.

The report also contains favorable language for microenterprise development, which has proven to be a cost effective way to help people become economically self-reliant.

Unfortunately, the overall funding levels for the bill are insufficient to support America's leadership role in the world, and the bill cuts the administration's request for foreign aid programs by about 13 percent. This has been consistent over the past 10 years. Our foreign aid, especially on development assistance, continues to go down. As a matter of fact, it has been cut 50 percent in the last 10 years.

The Peace Corps is cut by \$35 million below the administration's request,

which will cause the reduction of 1,000 volunteers in the next 2 years. As a returned Peace Corps volunteer myself, I am disappointed in the funding level of this important people-to-people aid program which enjoys broad support among American citizens.

There are no funds to implement the Wye River agreement, which is a tremendous agreement between our President, Jordan, and Israel in the Middle East. The President is considering a veto of the bill largely on the grounds of inadequate funding.

But, despite my concerns about the bill, I am willing to support this rule, which is the standard rule for conference reports, and it will allow for further debate of the bill.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. DIAZ-BALART. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, as with so many other of the appropriations bills this year, we are hearing opposition from our good friends on the other side of the aisle because of the fact that they wish that more money was being spent. There is no doubt that proposals to spend money in myriad ways will be heard, and will continue to be heard, some of which, I am sure, make a lot of sense.

We made a decision on this side of the aisle, and I think it is important to commend the gentleman from Alabama (Chairman CALLAHAN), the gentleman from Florida (Chairman YOUNG), and the leadership, the Republican leadership, the Speaker, the majority leader, the whip, the conference chairmen, the entire leadership. They made a decision, on our side of the aisle we made a decision, that we will not in these appropriations bills tap, we will not get into the Social Security trust fund. And we are sticking to that decision. So we are going to see a lot of opposition based on the fact we are not spending enough money on these appropriations bills.

This is the foreign aid bill. It is a very important bill. But we believe we are doing a good job, and we are doing the job within the existing resources that we have, while not tapping into, not going into, the Social Security trust fund.

Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time on the resolution bringing the conference report to the floor. The distinguished chairman of the subcommittee is ready, the gentleman from Alabama (Chairman CALLAHAN), to explain the details of this legislation in great depth.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. HALL of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I yield 5 minutes to the gentlewoman from California (Ms. PELOSI), who is an expert and our ranking minority member on the Subcommittee on Foreign Operations.