CONGRESSIONAL RECORD—SENATE

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The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:


H. Con. Res. 206. Concurrent resolution expressing grave concern regarding armed conflict in the North Caucasian region of the Russian Federation which has resulted in civilian casualties and interpersonally displaced persons, and calling upon all sides to pursue dialogue for peaceful resolution of the conflict.

H. Con. Res. 211. Concurrent resolution expressing the strong support of the Congress for the recently concluded elections in the Republic of India and urging the President to travel to India.

H. Con. Res. 222. Concurrent resolution condemning the assassination of Armenian Prime Minister Vazgen Sargsian and other officials of the Armenian Government and expressing the sense of the Congress in mourning this tragic loss of the duly elected leadership of Armenia.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreement of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2112) to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a program of extended care services for veterans and to make other improvements in health care programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

The message also announced that the House disagrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2112) to amend title 38, United States Code, to allow a judge to whom a case is transferred to retain jurisdiction over certain multidistrict litigation cases for trial, and to provide for Federal jurisdiction of certain multiparty, multiform civil actions, and asks a conference with the Senate on the disagreement of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2112) to amend title 38, United States Code, and appoints Mr. HYDE, Mr. SENNENBRENNER, Mr. COBLE, Mr. CONYERS, and Mr. BERMAN, as managers of the conference on the part of the House.

At 11:20 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following joint resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.J. Res. 80. Joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2000, and for other purposes.

The enrolled joint resolution was signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. THURMOND).

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–6181. A communication from the Administrator, Dairy Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Milk in the Mideast Eastern Coop Marketing Areas; Suspension of Certain Provisions of the Orders" (Docket No. DA–99–05&06), received November 12, 1999, to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC–6183. A communication from the Associate Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Milking of Livestock in Export: Precommercial Milk Sampling" (Docket No. APHIS–A–1999), received November 12, 1999, to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

At 3:33 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 416. An act to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain lands to the Coastal Barriers Resources System.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, with amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 382. An act to establish the Minuteman Missile National Historic Site in the State of South Dakota, and for other purposes.


S. 1386. An act to clarify certain boundaries of the Coastal Barriers Resources System.

At 4:33 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker had signed the following enrolled joint resolution:

H.J. Res. 80. Joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2000, and for other purposes.

The enrolled joint resolution was signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. THURMOND).

A communication from the Associate Administrator, Dairy Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Milk in the Mideast Eastern Coop Marketing Areas; Suspension of Certain Provisions of the Orders" (Docket No. DA–99–05&06), received November 12, 1999, to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC–6185. A communication from the Associate Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Milk in the Mideast Eastern Coop Marketing Areas; Suspension of Certain Provisions of the Orders" (Docket No. DA–99–05&06), received November 12, 1999, to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC–6186. A communication from the Director, Civil Rights Center, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of the Nondiscrimination and Equal Opportunity Provisions of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998" (RIN1292–AA91), received November 9, 1999, to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC–6187. A communication from the Director, Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Industries that Use Aluminum: Resinous and Polymeric Coatings" (Docket No. 91F–0431), received November 9, 1999, to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC–6188. A communication from the Managing Director, Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Availability of Unpublished Information" (RIN3069–AA81), received November 9, 1999, to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–6189. A communication from the Executive Director, Emergency Steel Guarantee Antitrust Loan Board, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emergency Steel Guarantee Loan Program" (RIN3004–ZA00), received November 9, 1999, to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–6190. A communication from the Acting Executive Director, Emergency Oil and Gas Guaranteed Loan Board, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emergency Oil and Gas Guaranteed Loan Program" (RIN3003–ZA00), received November 9, 1999, to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–6191. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Public Financing of Presidential Primary and General Election Candidates", received November 9, 1999, to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC–6192. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emergency Steel Guarantee Loan Program" (RIN3004–ZA00), received November 9, 1999, to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–6197. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emergency Oil and Gas Guaranteed Loan Program" (RIN3003–ZA00), received November 9, 1999, to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 278. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain lands to the county of Rio Arriba, New Mexico.

S. 382. An act to establish the Minuteman Missile National Historic Site in the State of South Dakota, and for other purposes.

S. 1235. An act to amend part G of title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets

visions of the Orders" (Docket No. DA–99–05&06), received November 12, 1999, to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.
EC-6196. A communication from the Chief, Office of Rules and Regulations, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Acquisition of an S Corporation by a Member of a Consolidated Group" (RIN 1405-AW32) (TD 8842), received November 9, 1999; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6196. A communication from the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Benefits and Costs of the Clean Air Act, 1990 to 2010"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6197. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway Mitigation Project, Alabama and Mississippi; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6198. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interim Final Determination that State of Arizona; Maricopa County" (PRL #6997–7); to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6199. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Partial Withdrawal of Direct Final Rule for Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California State Implementation Plan Revision, Kern County Air Pollution Control District" (PRL #6698–8), received November 10, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6200. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants: Vermont Negative Declaration" (PRL #6674–1), received November 9, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6201. A communication from the Director, Office of White House Liaison, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the nomination of a Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary for Administration; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6202. A communication from the Chief, Accounting Policy Division, Common Carrier Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service" (FCC 99–269) (CC Docs. 97–21 and 96–45), received November 9, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6205. A communication from the Chief, Accounting Policy Division, Common Carrier Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "In the Matter of Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service" (FCC 99–245), received November 9, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6206. A communication from the Special Assistant to the Bureau Chief, Mass Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "In the Matter of Biennial Review-Streamlining of Mass Media Applications, Rules, and Processes; Policies Regarding Minority and Female Ownership of Mass Media Facilities" (FCC Docket No. 94–297), received November 9, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6207. A communication from the Special Assistant to the Bureau Chief, Mass Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Biennial Review Section of Mass Media Applications, Rules, and Processes: FM Broadcast Stations: Centerville, TX; Iowa Park, TX and Hunt, TX" (MM Docket Nos. 99–257, 99–258 and 99–234), received November 9, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6208. A communication from the Special Assistant to the Bureau Chief, Mass Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Section 73.202(b), Table of FM Allotments; FM Broadcast Stations: Marysville and Hilliard, OH" (MM Docket Nos. 98–123, 98–125), received November 8, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6209. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule to Implement Amendment 16B to the Fishery Management Plan for the Reef Fish Resources of the Gulf of Mexico" (RIN 0648–AL57), received November 5, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6210. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule to Implement Amendment 16B to the Fishery Management Plan for the Reef Fish Resources of the Gulf of Mexico" (RIN 0648–AL57), received November 5, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6211. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; Mystic River, CT (CGD01–99–079)" (RIN 2115–AE47) (1999–0055), received November 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6212. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; Boussan River, CT (CGD01–99–089)" (RIN 2115–AE47) (1999–0055), received November 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6213. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; Miles River, MD (CGD05–99–003)" (RIN 2115–AE47) (1999–0058), received November 15, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6214. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; Sassafras River, Georgetown, MD (CGD06–99–006)" (RIN 2115–AE47) (1999–0057), received November 15, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6215. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; Pequonnock River, CT (CGD01–99–086)" (RIN 2115–AE47) (1999–0062), received November 15, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6216. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; Hackensack River, Passaic River, NJ (CGD01–9076)" (RIN 2115–AE47) (1999–0062), received November 15, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6217. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; Kennebec River, ME (CGD01–99–077)" (RIN 2115–AE47) (1999–0062), received November 15, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6218. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; Illinois River, IL (CGD08–99–014)" (RIN 2115–AE47) (1999–0060), received November 15, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6219. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; Niantic River, CT (CGD01–99–087)" (RIN 2115–AE47) (1999–0059), received November 15, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6220. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Regulations; Mystic River, CT (CGD01–99–079)" (RIN 2115–AE47) (1999–0055), received November 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regrett: Regulations; SLR: City of Augusta, GA (CGD07-99-068)'' (RIN2115-AE46) (1999-0042), received November 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6222. A communication from the Chief, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety/Security Zone Regulations; Sclame Construction Fireworks, East River, Manhattan, NY (CGD01-99-181)'' (RIN2115-AA97) (1999-0088), received November 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following report of committee was submitted:

By Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Governmental Affairs:


EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. ROTH for the Committee on Finance:

Deanna Tanner Okun, of Idaho, to be a Member of the United States International Trade Commission for a term expiring June 16, 2008.

(All nominations are reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second time by unanimous consent, and referred, as indicated:

By Mr. CRAIG:

S. 1937. A bill to amend the Pacific Northwest Electric Power Planning and Conserva-

tion Act to provide for sales of electricity by Indian tribes; and

Whereas, One of the greatest challenges facing humanity in any age is the production of food of sufficient quantity and quality to meet ever-rising needs. Investments in the process of raising crops are among the most important commitments we can make to future generations. Subsidies for food production, research, and marketing hold the potential to touch every citizen in a positive fashion; and

Whereas, With the recent settlement on the table.

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