

fails during his inauguration Saturday to heed Beijing's demands.

"If Taiwan's new leader refuses in his inaugural speech to recognize the one China principle and even makes a speech that inclines toward Taiwan independence, then relations between the two sides will certainly take a turn. War in the Taiwan Strait will be difficult to avoid," the newspaper said in a front-page article alongside photos of a tank, a warplane and military exercises.

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Sincerely,

HOWARD L. BERMAN,
Member of Congress.

A BILL

Providing for the revocation of normal trade relations treatment from the products of the People's Republic of China if that country attacks, invades, or imposes a blockade on Taiwan.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. FINDINGS

The Congress finds that—

(1) Article XXI of the GATT 1994 (as defined in section 2(1)(B) of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (19 U.S.C. 3501 (1)(B))) allows a member of the World Trade Organization to take "any action which it considers necessary for the protection of its essential security interests," particularly "in time of war or other emergency in international relations"; and

(2) an attack on, invasion of, or blockade of Taiwan by the People's Republic of China would constitute a threat to the essential security interests of the United States and an emergency in international relations.

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SEC. 3. APPLICABILITY TO EXISTING CONTRACTS.

The President shall have the authority to determine the extent to which the withdrawal under section 2 of normal trade relations treatment applies to products imported pursuant to contracts entered into before the date on which the withdrawal of such treatment is announced. The President shall issue regulations to carry out such determination.

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, I thank my colleague for raising these issues and I commend her and I commend the Veterans Administration, the Legion, the VFW and the others that she mentioned for stepping out and standing up, and we appreciate her leadership on this.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to my friend, the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. SMITH), who has been a great leader on this issue.

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I just want to say two things. I think the gentlewoman from Ohio (Ms. KAPTUR) stated it very well when she pointed out how the VFW and the

other veterans groups are very much opposed to PNTR. I think what came across in our press conference, I would say to my good friend from Michigan, and he chaired that, was the intensity factor on the part of the veterans. They were very, very strong and bold about the security implications of conveying, without the annual review, permanent normal trading relations and the human rights issues.

I have had 18 hearings in my Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights. I have been there three times. It does not make me an expert but I think I have some insights and they are shared by so many who have done likewise. Torture is commonplace in the PRC. If one is arrested as a religious believer or a democracy promoter, they get tortured and we are doing business with their torturers.

I think when we look at every area in human rights they have gone from bad to worse over the last 10 years, and I think we need to say enough is enough, and I thank my friend, the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. BONIOR), for having this special order.

Mr. BONIOR. I thank my friend for his leadership and his passion and his courage to take on these human rights issues in his committee as the Chair. We enjoy working with him and we look forward to continuing to work on these issues that we share common values and beliefs in.

Mr. Speaker, I yield now to my friend, the gentlewoman from California (Ms. PELOSI).

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. BONIOR), the distinguished Democratic whip, for yielding and for his extraordinary leadership on this important issue.

I am pleased to join my colleague, the gentlewoman from Ohio (Ms. KAPTUR), and commend her for her leadership as well.

This next week this House of Representatives will have a vote and decide how we will honor the pillars of our own foreign policy, promoting democratic values, stopping the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and growing our own economy by promoting our exports abroad. A vote for permanent NTR does not advance any of those goals, and I wish to associate myself with the remarks that have been made in that regard.

I wanted to emphasize a point made by our colleague, the gentlewoman from Ohio (Ms. KAPTUR) earlier. This weekend in Taiwan, the second democratically-elected President will be inaugurated. It is cause for celebration in the heart of every person in the world who cares about freedom and democracy. At a time when we should all in this body be celebrating that great triumph of democracy, we are instead rejecting a very simple amendment, and that is the Berman amendment that

the majority has refused to put in the bill, and that the administration has refused to accept.

That simple amendment would say that PNTR would be lifted for China if China invades Taiwan. What could be simpler than associating one's self with the idea that if a country invades another place then they would not get special privileges in the United States? Not only have we ignored China's activity to proliferate weapons of mass destruction such as chemical, biological and nuclear technology to rogue states, not only have we ignored that, we have certified that they are not doing it when we know full well that they are.

If the President wants to make this a national security issue, let us do that. In terms of national security, instead of appeasing the Chinese Government every step of the way on their misbehavior internationally we are missing an opportunity to say to them do not even think about invading Taiwan. If they do not think China is going to invade, there is no problem here. Right? Clearly, they do not trust the Chinese, or else they would let this amendment pass.

Again, instead of saluting the democracy in Taiwan, we are rewarding the unsafe behavior of the Chinese. So I urge all of my colleagues to sign on to a letter to the Committee on Rules to make this amendment in order that if China invades Taiwan, we lift PNTR.

Our relationship with every country should make the world safer, the trade fairer and people freer. Permanent NTR at this time does not do that. I thank the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. BONIOR) for his leadership.

Mr. BONIOR. Mr. Speaker, I thank my colleague for raising that very important security issue and freedom issue and as my friend, the gentlewoman from Ohio (Ms. KAPTUR), did, I want to thank the veterans of this country for coming out in opposition based on basic security grounds and human rights grounds and encourage them to continue to call their Members of Congress as we enter this vote at the end of the week, the American Legion and the VFW and the AMVETS and the many organizations that we talked about. I thank my colleagues for joining me today.

RECOGNIZING THE FIELD MUSEUM OF CHICAGO'S PUBLIC UNVEILING OF SUE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. GARY MILLER of California). Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. DAVIS) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I had the opportunity to observe and listen to a profound discussion lead by the distinguished minority whip and I happen to agree with the views expressed by all of those speakers, and I

want to commend them for the leadership that they have displayed on this issue and I too would hope that next week, when we cast a vote, that we would not be rewarding China; we would not be rewarding those who do not provide equal rights and equal treatment to us all.

So I too shall be voting no on the establishment of permanent normal trade relationships with China.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to come to the floor at this time to recognize the Field Museum of Chicago as it celebrates the much awaited public unveiling of Sue, its world-famous 67-million-year-old *Tyrannosaurus Rex*.

In case any of us are not familiar with this colossal fossil, Sue is the largest and most complete *Tyrannosaurus Rex* ever found and was named after the fossil hunter who found the remains in South Dakota's Black Hills in 1990.

After 2½ years of cleaning, restoring and preserving her more than 250 fossilized bones, Sue is now ready to meet the public.

When fully erected in Stanley Field Hall, Sue stands 13 feet high at the hips and 42 feet long from head to tail. Her five foot long skull is so heavy that the museum will install a replica on the skeleton and place the real skull on display for visitors. As a result, visitors will be able to get an up-close view of the predator's massive head. They can also view animated CT scans of the skull and touch a variety of casts of Sue's bones, including a rib, forelimb and tooth.

The Field Museum plans to use Sue's massive appeal to bring the wonders of science to school children and other audiences throughout Illinois and the Nation. Sue will be installed in the new Hall of Paleontology and Earth Sciences Research with related exhibitry, research and educational programming, including a fossil prep lab where visitors can observe museum staff at work on real bones.

The new hall will not only illustrate the history of Sue and other dinosaurs but will also serve as a springboard to interest visitors in related questions such as mass extinction events, plant and animal evolution, plate tectonics, biodiversity through time and women in science. The museum plans to develop related curriculum and teacher training and offer 2 electronic field trips in which students can see and talk to scientists in the field as they are conducting excavation and research.

To celebrate Sue's unveiling, the Field Museum will be hosting a number of special dinosaur-related programs from May 17 through May 21, including a day of family entertainment, a family festival, a lecture by the lead researcher and a concert performance featuring the Chicago Chamber musicians about the life and times of Sue.

Mr. Speaker, while gleaming scientific data from Sue is a key aim, Sue is also an extraordinary tool for teaching visitors about paleontology, the geologic forces that shape our planet, vertebrate fossils and other scientific work. Sue has only just started to reveal her educational potential and will no doubt continue to yield new information about dinosaurs and the world in which they lived for many years to come. Please join me in recognizing the Field Museum as they share Sue with the world.

I also invite my colleagues, their staff and families, as well as other Americans, to join in the fun at the June 6 opening reception for a sneak peak at the national tour of a *T. Rex* named Sue at Union Station in Chicago.

Mr. Speaker, while we have seen seven wonders of the world, eight wonders, this is truly another wonder of the world and we invite the world to come and see it.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mrs. CAPPS (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today, on account of family business.

Mr. ETHERIDGE (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today after 12:30 p.m., on account of family business.

Ms. LOFGREN (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT) for today, on account of a family engagement.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. DIXON) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at the request of Mr. DICKEY) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. MCINNIS, for 5 minutes, May 22.

SENATE BILLS REFERRED

Bills of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 777. An act to require the Department of Agriculture to establish an electronic filing and retrieval system to enable the public to file all required paperwork electronically with the Department and to have access to public information on farm programs, quarterly trade, economic, and production reports, and other similar information; to the Committee on Agriculture.

S. 1509. An act to amend the Indian Employment, Training, and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992, to emphasize the need for job creation on Indian reservations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Administration, reported that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 3629. An act to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to improve the program for American Indian Tribal Colleges and Universities under part A of title III.

H.R. 3707. An act to authorize funds for the construction of a facility in Taipei, Taiwan suitable for the mission of the American Institute in Taiwan.

BILL PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Administration, reported that that committee did on the following date present to the President, for his approval, a bill of the House of the following title:

On Wednesday, May 17, 2000:

H.R. 1377. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9308 South Chicago Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, as the "John J. Buchanan Post Office Building."

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 42 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, May 22, 2000, at 12:30 p.m., for morning hour debates.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

7716. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Importation of Wood Chips From Chile [Docket No. 96-031-2] (RIN: 0579-AA82) received April 24, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

7717. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—National Primary Drinking Water Regulations: Public Notification Rule [FRL-6580-2] (RIN: 2040-AD06) received April 12, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

7718. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and