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

H. Con. Res. 225. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that, as a symbol of solidarity following the terrorist attacks on the United States on September 11, 2001, every United States citizen is encouraged to display the flag of the United States.

At 4:36 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2884. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax relief for victims of the terrorist attacks against the United States on September 11, 2001.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bills were read the first time:

H.R. 2883. An act to promote freedom and democracy in Viet Nam.

H.R. 2291. An act to extend the authorization of the Drug-Free Communities Support Program for an additional 5 years, to authorize a National Community Antidrug Coalition Institute, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REferred

The following enrolled joint resolution, previously signed by the Speaker of the House, was signed today, September 13, 2001, by the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD).

S.J. Res. 22. A joint resolution expressing the sense of the Senate and House of Representatives regarding the terrorist attacks launched against the United States on September 11, 2001.

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, September 13, 2001, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled joint resolution:

S.J. Res. 22. A joint resolution expressing the sense of the Senate and House of Representatives regarding the terrorist attacks launched against the United States on September 11, 2001.

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–3825. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Crop Year 2001 Agricultural Economic Assistance Act; to the Committee on Finance.

EC–3826. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled “Certification for Eligibility for Adaptive Equipment for Automobiles or Other Conveyances” received on August 25, 2001, to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs.

EC–3827. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the designation of a twenty-five percent danger pay allowance for the Gaza Stripping and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC–3828. A communication from the Assistant Director for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a list of agreements and backgrounds statements concerning international agreements treaties; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC–3829. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Division, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Exportation of Tobacco Products and Cigarette Papers and Tubes—Without Payment of Tax, or With Drawback of Tax; Recodification of Regulations (2001R-58P)” (RIN1512–AC47) received on September 7, 2001, to the Committee on Finance.

EC–3830. 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 “Domestic Asset/Liability and Investment Yield Percentages” (Rev. Proc. 2001–48) received on September 7, 2001, to the Committee on Finance.

EC–3831. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Medicare Program; Payments for New Medical Services and New Technologies under the Acute Care Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment System” (RIN0938–AL09) received on September 7, 2001, to the Committee on Finance.

EC–3832. A communication from the Chairwoman of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the “Annual Report on Commercial Activities for 2001; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC–3833. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Resource Management, Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to commercial activities inventory; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–3834. A communication from the Executive Director of the Committee for Purchase from People Who are Blind or Severely Disabled, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of additions to the procurement list received on September 7, 2001, to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC–3835. A communication from the Acting Chairman of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Inventory of Commercial Activities for 2001; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC–3836. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “7 CFR Part 1755, Telecommunications System Construction Contract and Specifications” (RIN0572–AB41) received on September 7, 2001, to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC–3837. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Committed Travel-Time Periods: Overtime Services Relating to Imports and Exports” (Doc. No. 00–017–1) received on September 7, 2001, to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC–3838. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Rural Utilities Services, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “7 CFR Part 1755, RUS Standard for Service Installations at Customer Access Locations” received on September 7, 2001, to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC–3839. A communication from the General Counsel of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “12 CFR Section 709.12 Prepayment Fees to Federal Home Loan Bank” received on September 7, 2001, to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–3840. A communication from the General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “12 CFR Part 749 Records Preservation Program and Record Retention Appendix” received on September 7, 2001, to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–3841. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations” (Doc. No. FEMA–B–7419) received on September 7, 2001, to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–3842. A communication from the General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “12 CFR Part 721—Incidental Powers” received on September 7, 2001, to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–3843. A communication from the General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “12 CFR Part 709.12—Prepayment Fees to Federal Home Loan Bank” received on September 7, 2001, to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–3844. A communication from the General Counsel, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Credit Union Service Organizations” received on September 7, 2001, to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–3845. A communication from the Acting Chairman of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the “List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: