

That is enough said for tonight. I hope tomorrow I can find out who is objecting and that we can pass this by unanimous consent.

I was working on amendments for this foreign operations appropriations bill. I want to let Senator REID, the whip, and other Senators know that the first thing tomorrow morning, or whatever best accommodates the Senate's schedule, I will come to the floor with amendments and be ready to go with time limits.

I will be very anxious to get done tomorrow. I am glad we are in session. I am glad we are on this piece of legislation.

Mr. REID. Madam President, that is very good. We want to finish this bill as quickly as we can. It is an important piece of legislation. We talked about it for a long time today. We are going to come in tomorrow at 10:30. If the Senator can be here at 10:30, as soon as we finish the business of the day, we will move right to his amendments. I would like to be able to tell the managers.

How many amendments will the Senator have tomorrow?

Mr. WELLSTONE. Madam President, if it is OK, I will ask unanimous consent when we come back on the floor that I be allowed to introduce the first amendment.

Mr. REID. The managers are not here. I wouldn't like to do that without their being here. How many amendments is the Senator going to have?

Mr. WELLSTONE. Three amendments. I will have one amendment that deals with the humanitarian crisis right now in Afghanistan. I am hoping the managers will accept it. I think it is a good statement. I think it is exactly what we are committed to as a nation.

I will take 20 seconds tonight to say that the President—and he was eloquent—said our military effort is not aimed at the innocent people in Afghanistan; we are going after terrorists and those who harbor terrorists. I think one of the best ways we can show that we are good people who commit by way of deed is to make a serious effort on the humanitarian front. We are going to have hundreds of thousands of children who are going to starve to death. The first amendment is going to be a resolution that talks about the need to make this a priority.

The second one is going to deal with the Andean plan, Colombia, and some of my concerns about human rights. The third one will be also a human rights amendment. I can do all of these with a time limit.

Mr. REID. Senator DURBIN and I spoke at some length on the floor this morning about the war in Afghanistan. It is certainly not against the people of Afghanistan. It is against the Taliban, which has treated people so brutally, especially women.

There are some good provisions in this bill already that relate to aid generally for the people of Afghanistan. So I personally look forward to hearing the Senator tomorrow. I am sure the managers look forward to his amendments. I am sure they would look forward to some reasonable time agreement to move forward on those amendments as quickly as possible. Hopefully one, two, or three of them can be accepted tomorrow.

Mr. WELLSTONE. I thank the majority whip. I hope one, two, and three of them will be accepted as well. That would be a first for me, but I will certainly try.

I yield the floor and suggest the absence of a quorum.

Mr. REID. Will the Senator withhold that, please?

Mr. WELLSTONE. I withhold and yield the floor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider Executive Calendar Nos. 464 through 469, 476 through 489, and the nominations at the Secretary's desk; that the nominations be confirmed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, any statements thereon be printed in the RECORD, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate return to legislative session.

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

The nominations considered and confirmed are as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Phillip Bond, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Technology.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

John H. Marburger, III, of West Virginia, to be Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

COAST GUARD

The following named officers for appointment in the United States Coast Guard to the grade indicated under title 14, U.S.C., section 271:

To be rear admiral

Rear Adm. (1h) James C. Olson, 7892
Rear Adm. (1h) James W. Underwood, 8189
Rear Adm. (1h) Ralph D. Utley, 9691
Rear Adm. (1h) Kenneth T. Venuto, 2213

The following named officers for appointment in the United States Coast Guard to the grade indicated under title 14, U.S.C., section 271:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. Dale G. Gabel, 5350
Capt. Jeffrey M. Garrett, 5563
Capt. David W. Kunkel, 1601
Capt. David B. Peterman, 1735

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Coast Guard Reserve to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. Duncan C. Smith, III, 8281

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Coast Guard Reserve to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. Stephen W. Rochon, 4866

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Jay S. Bybee, of Nevada, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

Anna Mills S. Wagoner, of North Carolina, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of North Carolina for the term of four years.

Margaret M. Chiara, of Michigan, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Michigan for the term of four years.

Robert J. Conrad, Jr., of North Carolina, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina for the term of four years.

Thomas C. Gean, of Arkansas, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Arkansas for the term of four years.

James Ming Greenlee, of Mississippi, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Mississippi for the term of four years.

Raymond W. Gruender, of Missouri, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri for the term of four years.

Daniel G. Bogden, of Nevada, to be United States Attorney for the District of Nevada for the term of four years.

Thomas M. DiBiagio, of Maryland, to be United States Attorney for the District of Maryland for the term of four years.

Thomas E. Johnston, of West Virginia, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of West Virginia for the term of four years.

Donald W. Washington, of Louisiana, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Louisiana for the term of four years.

Patrick J. Fitzgerald, of Illinois, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois for the term of four years.

John McKay, of Washington, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Washington for the term of four years.

Karl K. Warner, II, of West Virginia, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of West Virginia for the term of four years.

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PN1107 Coast Guard nominations (63) beginning Bryon Ing, and ending Joseph E. Vorbach, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD of October 3, 2001.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will now return to legislative session.

THE EXECUTIVE CALENDAR AND APPROPRIATIONS BILLS

Mr. REID. Madam President, let me just say, and spread on the RECORD today, these are 20 nominations that have been approved today, not counting those military promotions that are also part of the Executive Calendar. We have approved four judges. We have approved some very important Department of Justice nominations, including