plane looking for every secret, dismantling equipment, in violation of international law.

International law is clear. Our people are to be back here. They retain their sovereign immunity when they land in desperation and emergency, which I might add in this case was caused by the incredible gross negligence, repeated gross negligence, of Chinese pilots. Yet, we are being asked for an apology. Reckless flying, ignoring international law as to our plane when it is on the ground, holding our Naval airmen hostage, and they are asking us for an apology.

Perhaps the only thing that is more outrageous than all that is that, as I speak here, imports from China are being unloaded at American harbors in part of the most lopsided pro-Chinese trade relationship that any economist could ever imagine. They are allowed access to our markets where they sell over $80 billion of goods and we are lucky if we can sell $12 billion of goods into China.

What ought to happen is that we ought to make it clear, we ought to today stop the importation of Chinese goods until our Naval airmen are back on their ships or in American hands. Oh, but that would mean perhaps a few hours or a day of delay in bringing in tennis shoes or plastic toys, and the commercial interests that flex their muscle so strongly when we dealt with providing China with permanent Most Favored Nation status will be back here, or are already back here flexing their muscles, and their message is clear. Do not interrupt a single package, a single container of tennis shoes, no matter how lopsided the trade arrangement is, no matter how abjectly dependent China is, and they are utterly dependent upon the American market, roughly half, very roughly half their exports go to the United States. We are the only country that lets them run a huge trade surplus with us and we are the only country willing to run a huge trade deficit with them.

Yet in spite of the fact that we are strong and they are weak, they are unified and we are looking only at the commercial interests of a few companies.

Mr. Speaker, what I fear is that corporate interests, and just a few corporate interests, engaged in this importation frenzy will demand that we apologize, demand that we pay the Chinese money. They will demand that we be weak because sniveling preserves profits.

I hope that this administration and this Congress reject that kind of thinking.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to go into my fourth topic but I see it is getting late. So I will come back to this floor to deliver a speech dealing with the fourth topic I wanted to cover, and that was our use of economic sanctions, economic carrots and sticks, in order to achieve our international objectives.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

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

(1) Mr. Blumenauer, for 5 minutes, today.
(2) Mr. Brown of Ohio, for 5 minutes, today.
(3) Mr. Davis of Illinois, for 5 minutes, today.
(4) Mr. Pallone, for 5 minutes, today.
(5) Mr. Selden, for 5 minutes, today.
(6) Ms. Norton, for 5 minutes, today.
(7) Mr. Green of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.
(8) Mr. Schiff, for 5 minutes, today.
(9) Mr. Langevin, for 5 minutes, today.
(10) Ms. Kaptur, for 5 minutes, today.
(11) Mr. Bähr, for 5 minutes, today.

(12) Mr. Shaheen, for 5 minutes, today.
(13) Mr. Jones of North Carolina, for 5 minutes, today.
(14) Mr. Ehrlich, for 5 minutes, today.
(15) Mr. Wolf, for 5 minutes, today.
(16) Mr. Peterson of Pennsylvania, for 5 minutes, today.
(17) Mrs. Wilson, for 5 minutes, today.
(18) Mr. Hyde, for 5 minutes, today.
(19) Mr. Cunningham, for 5 minutes, today.
(20) Mr. Sam Johnson of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.
(21) Mr. Rohrabacher, for 5 minutes, today.
(22) Mr. Shimkus, for 5 minutes, today.
(23) Mr. Goss, for 5 minutes, today.
(24) Mrs. Biggert, for 5 minutes, today.
(25) Mr. Weldon of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.
(26) Mr. Hayworth, for 5 minutes, today.
(27) Mrs. Jo Ann Davis of Virginia, for 5 minutes, today.
(28) Mr. Ramstad, for 5 minutes, today.

(29) The following Member (at the request of Mr. McNulty) to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous material:
(30) Mr. Larsen of Washington, for 5 minutes, today.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Mr. Trandahl, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. Wolfe):

H.R. 385. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2305 Minton Road in West Melbourne, Florida, as the “Ronald W Reagan Post Office of West Melbourne, Florida”.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. SHERMAN. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Concurrent Resolution 93 of the 107th Congress, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PENCE). Pursuant to House Concurrent Resolution 93 of the 107th Congress, the House adjourned until Tuesday, April 24, 2001, at 2 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

1453. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency’s final rule—Ethamsulfuron Methyl; Pesticide Tolerance (OPP–301111; FRL–6773–7) (RIN: 2070–AB78) received March 29, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1); to the Committee on Agriculture.

1454. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter requesting that Section 301 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1997 which authorized the Services to expend appropriated funds for recruiting functions be continued beyond the September 30, 2001, deadline as a permanent authorization, pursuant to Public Law 104–201, section 361(a) (110 Stat. 2491); to the Committee on Armed Services.

1455. A letter from the Assistant to the Board, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting the Board’s final rule—Electronic Fund Transfers (Regulation E; Docket No. R–1041) received March 30, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1); to the Committee on Financial Services.


1457. A letter from the Acting Chair, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting an Annual Report for FY 2000 entitled, “Entering the 21st Century”; to the Committee on Financial Services.

1458. A letter from the Executive Secretary, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department’s final rule—Medicaid Program; Use of Restraint and Seclusion in Residential Treatment Facilities Providing Inpatient Psychiatric Services to Individuals Under Age 21; Delay of Effective Date (HCFA–2065–F) (RIN: 0938–AJ96) received March 28, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

1459. A letter from the Executive Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department’s final rule—Ethamsulfuron Methyl; Pesticide Tolerance (OPP–301111; FRL–6773–7) (RIN: 2070–AB78) received March 29, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1); to the Committee on Agriculture.

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