those who question our defense preparedness? What will we say to the steelworkers of America, to their families, and to the communities and consuming industries that depend upon a vital American steel industry? What will we say to the industries that are next on the hit lists of foreign predators? Let us stand up for steel in its time of need, as the industry has stood up for us in times of war and times of peace. Let us not allow imports to eviscerate this efficient and productive industry, an industry that has provided quality jobs to generations of hardworking Americans.

I would like to thank several Senators who helped in crafting this amendment. Senators Gramm of Texas and Nickles of Oklahoma, as well as Senators Voinovich of Ohio and Specter of Pennsylvania, all of whom demonstrated creativity and flexibility—as well as good humor—in coming to agreement. I also wish to thank our distinguished majority whip for his very considerable help and encouragement to all of us.

I urge my colleagues to support this amendment to the Emergency Steel Loan Guarantee Program.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nominations reported earlier today by the Banking Committee as follows:

Angela Antonelli to be Chief Financial Officer for the Department of Housing and Urban Development; Donald E. Powell to be Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Ronald Rosenfeld to be President, Government National Mortgage Association.

The above nominations were approved subject to the nominees’ commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate will return to legislative session.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. MONDAY, JULY 16, 2001

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until the hour of 2 o’clock p.m. on Monday next, July 16, this year of our Lord, 2001.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 8:30 p.m., adjourned until Monday, July 16, 2001, at 2 p.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate July 12, 2001:

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

ERIC M. BOST, OF TEXAS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION, VICE SHIRLEY ROBINSON WATKINS, RESIGNED.

THOMAS C. DORR, OF IOWA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION, VICE JILL L. LONG, RESIGNED.

WILLIAM T. HARD, OF TENNESSEE, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION, VICE JOHN F. DUNN, RESIGNED.

JUDITH J. JENKINS, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION, VICE JAMES E. GOODWIN, JR., RESIGNED.

J. B. PENN, OF ARKANSAS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION, VICE RICHARD E. BOMINGER, RESIGNED.

JOSEPH J. JEN, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION, VICE KATHLEEN J. KELLY, RESIGNED.

JAMES E. MÓSELEY, OF INDIANA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION, VICE RICHARD E. BOMINGER, RESIGNED.

J. B. PENN, OF ARKANSAS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION, VICE RICHARD E. BOMINGER, RESIGNED.

MAKAY KENNETH BENTEN, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION, VICE KARL N. STAUBER, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

JOHN F. STENSIT, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, VICE ARTHUR L. MONET, RESIGNED.

VINCENT F. ROMA, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, VICE RICHARD J. DOMINICZ, JR., RESIGNED.

NELSON F. GIBBS, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE, VICE RUBY BUTLER HEMER.</p>