

He dreamed of an education, and so even though many kids like him didn't do it, he went to college. He dreamed of helping others, and so even though it involved sacrifice, he became a minister. He dreamed of a free America, and so even though it could have cost him his life, he joined the Union. And he dreamed of lifting up his community, and so even though it wasn't done by people of his color, he ran for office.

He dreamed of making this world a better place, and in doing so, he found a place in history. And so we remember this day—his day—as a symbol of what is possible for those of us who are willing to make it so in this magical place we call America.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

• Mr. OBAMA. Mr. President, I rise to recognize and remember the life of Earl Langdon Neal.

Mr. Neal was one of the finest lawyers and civic leaders Chicago has ever known. From mayors to citizens, business leaders to college students, he was a trusted friend and inspiring mentor to many—including myself.

Earl earned his law degree from Michigan Law School in 1952. Following graduation, he served his country in the U.S. Army until 1955, when he returned to Chicago to join his father's law firm, Neal & Neal.

On their very first case, Earl and his father were forced to commute 170 miles from Chicago to Lincoln simply because there were no hotels in Lincoln that would accept African Americans. But he went anyway because, as his son has said, it wasn't just a job for Earl—it was a way of life.

It was a way of life that led him to serve the city of Chicago as a special assistant corporation counsel responsible for countless land acquisition projects, including the Dan Ryan Expressway, O'Hare's expansion, and the Chicago city colleges, a way of life that led him to start his own practice and earn a place on the University of Illinois board of trustees, a way of life that made almost every person who came to know him speak of him as a warm, compassionate man who put the well-being of his clients above all else.

Earl's passion for his work wasn't complicated. He simply looked around his community and wanted to make it better. And in so many ways, from the places he made possible, to the people's lives he touched, he did. We honor his life, pray for his family, and will miss him dearly. •

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting nominations which were referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:23 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 13. Concurrent resolution congratulating ASME on their 125th anniversary, celebrating the achievements of ASME members, and expressing the gratitude of the American people for ASME's contributions.

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

H. Con. Res. 5. Concurrent resolution providing for the acceptance of a statue of Sarah Winnemucca, presented by the people of Nevada, for placement in National Statuary Hall, and for other purposes.

H. Con. Res. 45. Concurrent resolution recognizing the benefits and importance of school-based music education, and for other purposes.

H. Con. Res. 63. Concurrent resolution permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following concurrent resolution was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 45. Concurrent resolution recognizing the benefits and importance of school-based music education, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 802(c), the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of the following joint resolution, and placed on the calendar:

S.J. Res. 4. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval of the rule submitted by the Department of Agriculture under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, relating to risk zones for introduction of bovine spongiform encephalopathy.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-1153. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Monetary Policy Report to the Congress"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs.

EC-1154. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Alternative Fuels and Vehicles Rule, 16 C.F.R. Part 309" (RIN3084-0094) received on March 1, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1155. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Citrus Canker; Quarantined Areas" (Docket No. 05-005-1) received on March 1, 2005; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1156. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Karnal Bunt; Revision of Regulations for Importing Wheat" ((RIN0579-AB74) (Docket No. 02-057-2)) received on March 1, 2005; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1157. A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: HI-STORM 100 Revision" (RIN3150-AH64) received on March 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1158. A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: NUHOMS-24PT4 Revision" (RIN3150-AH63) received on March 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1159. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Peanuts, Tree Nuts, Milk, Soybeans, Eggs, Fish, Crustacea, and Wheat; Exemption from the Requirements of a Tolerance; Technical Correction" (FRL No. 7689-9) received on March 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1160. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, El Dorado County Air Quality Management District (Mountain Counties Portion), Imperial County Air Pollution Control District, and South Coast Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 7874-6) received on March 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1161. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Revised Format of 40 CFR Part 52 for Materials

Being Incorporated by Reference" (FRL No. 7843-2) received on March 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1162. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mississippi: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision" (FRL No. 7875-7) received on March 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1163. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to California State Implementation Plan, Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 7871-1) received on March 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1164. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plan for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; Forsyth County, Mecklenburg County and Buncombe County, North Carolina, and Chattanooga-Hamilton County, Knox County, and Memphis-Shelby County, Tennessee" (FRL No. 7877-3) received on March 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1165. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to California State Implementation Plan, Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District and Ventura County Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 7872-4) received on March 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1166. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; Connecticut; Plan for Controlling MWC Emissions From Existing Municipal Waste Combusters" (FRL No. 7877-6) received on March 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1167. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Minnesota; Revised Format of 40 CFR and Part 52 for Materials Being Incorporated by Reference" (FRL No. 7867-5) received on March 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1168. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Waste Management System: Identification and Listing of Hazardous Waste; Dyes and/or Pigments Production Waste; Land Disposal Restrictions for Newly Identified Wastes" (FRL No. 7875-8) received on March 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1169. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office

of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standards of Performance for Steel Plants: Electric Arc Furnaces Constructed After October 21, 1974, and On or Before August 17, 1983; and Standards of Performance for Steel Plants: Electric Arc Furnaces and Argon-Oxygen Decarburization Vessels Constructed After August 17, 1983" (FRL No. 7874-9) received on March 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1170. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; North Carolina Update to Materials Incorporated by Reference" (FRL No. 7868-7) received on March 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1171. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maine; Control of Total Reduced Sulphur From Kraft Pulp Mills" (FRL No. 7876-8) received on March 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1172. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Ocean Dumping; Dedications of Ocean Dredged Material Disposal Sites and Designation of New Sites" (FRL No. 7877-9) received on March 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1173. A communication from the Secretary, Judicial Conference of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Recommendation for the Authorization of Additional Bankruptcy Judgeships; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1174. A communication from the Secretary, Judicial Conference of the United States, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "Judicial Reporting Improvement Act"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1175. A communication from the United States Trade Representative, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2005 Trade Policy Agenda and 2004 Annual Report"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1176. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Department's counternarcotics activities for Fiscal Year 2004; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1177. A communication from the Counsel to the Inspector General, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination to fill the vacant position of Inspector General; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

To the Congress of the United States:

Consistent with the authorities relating to official immunity in the interdiction of aircraft engaged in illicit drug trafficking (Public Law 107-108, 22 U.S.C. 2291-4), and in order to keep the Congress fully informed, I am providing a report prepared by my Administration. This report includes matters relating to the interdiction of aircraft engaged in illicit drug trafficking.

GEORGE W. BUSH.

THE WHITE HOUSE, March 2, 2005.

REPORT ON THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO ZIMBABWE—PM 8

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the national emergency blocking the property of persons undermining democratic processes or institutions in Zimbabwe is to continue in effect beyond March 6, 2005. The most recent notice continuing this emergency was published in the *Federal Register* on March 5, 2004 (69 FR 10313).

The crisis constituted by the actions and policies of certain members of the Government of Zimbabwe and other persons to undermine Zimbabwe's democratic processes or institutions has not been resolved. These actions and policies pose a continuing unusual and extraordinary threat to the foreign policy of the United States. For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency blocking the property of persons undermining democratic processes or institutions in Zimbabwe and to maintain in force the sanctions to respond to this threat.

GEORGE W. BUSH.

THE WHITE HOUSE, March 2, 2005.

REPORT RELATING TO THE INTERDICTION OF AIRCRAFT ENGAGED IN ILLICIT DRUG TRAFFICKING—PM 7

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first