

Whereupon, pursuant to the order of the House of Tuesday, January 19, 1999, Members were recognized for "morning-hour debate".

¶80.2 MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Sundry messages in writing from the President of the United States were communicated to the House by Mr. Sherman Williams, one of his secretaries.

¶80.3 RECESS—1:10 P.M.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. STEARNS, pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, declared the House in recess at 1 o'clock 10 minutes p.m. until 2 o'clock p.m.

¶80.4 AFTER RECESS—2 P.M.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PEASE, called the House to order.

¶80.5 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PEASE, announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Friday, July 16, 1999.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal was approved.

¶80.6 COMMUNICATIONS

Executive and other communications, pursuant to clause 2, rule XIV, were referred as follows:

3092. A letter from the Manager, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Common Crop Insurance Regulations; Onion Crop Insurance Provisions—received June 30, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

3093. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California State Implementation Plan Revision, Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District [CA079-149; FRL-6363-2] received June 15, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

3094. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Technical Amendments to Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans: Oregon, Correction of Effective Date under CRA [FRL-6363-6] received June 15, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

3095. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Final Determination to Extend Deadline for Promulgation of Action on Section 126 Petitions [FRL-6363-5] received June 15, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

3096. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Electronic Service of Documents—received June 8, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

3097. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Revisions of Existing Regulations Governing the Filing of Applications for the Construction and Operation of Facilities to Provide Service or to Abandon Facilities or Service under Section

7 of the Natural Gas Act—Docket No. RM98-9-000—received June 8, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

3098. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Open Access Same-Time Information System (OASIS), Final Rule on OASIS Issues (RM98-3-000, Order No. 605) received June 8, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

3099. A letter from the Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's report entitled "Annual Report to Congress—Progress on Superfund Implementation in Fiscal Year 1998," pursuant to 45 U.S.C. 9651; to the Committee on Commerce.

3100. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance (LOA) to Israel for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 99-24), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

3101. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification of a proposed license for the export of major defense equipment sold commercially under a contract to Egypt [Transmittal No. DTC 64-99], pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

3102. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification of a proposed Manufacturing License Agreement with Portugal [Transmittal No. DTC 16-99], pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(d); to the Committee on International Relations.

3103. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification of a proposed license for defense articles and defense services to Japan [Transmittal No. DTC 56-99], pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

3104. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a supplemental report to ensure that the Congress is kept fully informed on continued U.S. contributions in support of peacekeeping efforts in the former Yugoslavia; (H. Doc. No. 106-100); to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed.

3105. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report concerning efforts made by the United Nations and the Specialized Agencies to employ an adequate number of Americans during 1998; to the Committee on International Relations.

3106. A letter from the Secretary of Education, transmitting the 38th Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the six-month period ending March 31, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform.

3107. A letter from the Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting a semiannual report on Office of Inspector General auditing activity, together with a report providing management's perspective on the implementation status of audit recommendations, pursuant to Public Law 100-504, section 104(a) (102 Stat. 2525); to the Committee on Government Reform.

3108. A letter from the Chairman, National Endowment for the Arts, transmitting the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General and the Chairman's Semiannual Report on Final Action for the National Endowment for the Arts for the period of October 1, 1998 through March 31, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform.

3109. A letter from the Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting

the Inspector General's Semiannual Report and the management response of the Securities and Exchange Commission, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform.

3110. A letter from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting a report on the activities and progress made in protecting and restoring the living resources and habitat of the Chesapeake Bay; to the Committee on Resources.

3111. A letter from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting a report by the Attorney General regarding the results of a survey of the States to determine the extent to which prisoners have access to interactive computer services; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

3112. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule—Veterans Education: Increase in Educational Assistance Rates (RIN: 2900-AJ37) received June 14, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

3113. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Qualified Zone Academy BONDS; Obligation of States and Political Subdivisions [TD 8826] (RIN: 1545-AX23) received June 30, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3114. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Qualified Zone Academy BOND Credit Rate [Notice 99-35] received June 30, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

3115. A letter from the Deputy Executive Secretary to the Department, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Hospital Conditions of Participation: Patients' Rights [HCF A-3018-IFC] (RIN: 0938-AJ56) received June 30, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Commerce.

¶80.7 MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT— ALBANIAN EMIGRATION LAWS

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PEASE, laid before the House a message from the President, which was read as follows:

To the Congress of the United States:

I am submitting an updated report to the Congress concerning the emigration laws and policies of Albania. The report indicates continued Albanian compliance with U.S. and international standards in the area of emigration. In fact, Albania has imposed no emigration restrictions, including exit visa requirements, on its population since 1991.

On December 5, 1997, I determined and reported to the Congress that Albania is not in violation of the freedom-of-emigration criteria in sections 402 and 409 of the Trade Act of 1974. That action allowed for the continuation of normal trade relations status for Albania and certain other activities without the requirement of an annual waiver. This semiannual report is submitted as required by law pursuant to the determination of December 5, 1997.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.