

Pastor	Schroeder	Torricelli
Payne (NJ)	Schumer	Towns
Payne (VA)	Scott	Velazquez
Pickett	Serrano	Vento
Pomeroy	Skaggs	Visclosky
Poshard	Skelton	Volkmer
Quinn	Slaughter	Walsh
Rahall	Spratt	Ward
Rangel	Stenholm	Waters
Reed	Stokes	Watt (NC)
Richardson	Studds	Waxman
Rivers	Stupak	Williams
Roemer	Tanner	Wise
Rose	Taylor (MS)	Woolsey
Roybal-Allard	Tejeda	Wynn
Rush	Thompson	Yates
Sabo	Thurman	
Sanders	Torres	

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—10

Borski	Goss	Sawyer
Cardin	Hobson	Schiff
Cooley	Johnson (CT)	
Gephardt	Pelosi	

NOT VOTING—19

Ackerman	Ganske	Peterson (FL)
Cox	Hayes	Quillen
Dicks	Heineman	Stark
Fields (LA)	Johnston	Stockman
Fields (TX)	Kaptur	Thornton
Funderburk	Lincoln	
Furse	Longley	

□ 1500

So the motion to table was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

(Mrs. KENNELLY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. KENNELLY. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the distinguished majority leader, the gentleman from Texas [Mr. ARMEY].

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to announce that the House has finished its work for the week. We will next meet for legislative business on Tuesday, September 24, at 10:30 a.m. for morning hour and noon for legislative business. Votes will be held after 5 p.m. on Tuesday, September 24.

Mr. Speaker, on Tuesday we hope to consider the following measures: Correction day bill H.R. 3153, the Small Business Transport Correction Advancement Act; Correction Day bill H.R. 2988, a bill regarding traffic signal synchronization; a bill to permit same day consideration of rules and to allow suspensions on days other than Monday and Tuesday; and H.R. 3666, the VA/ HUD appropriations conference report.

Mr. Speaker, the House will also take up a number of bills under suspension of the rules, a list of which will be distributed to Members' offices tomorrow afternoon.

For Wednesday, September 25 and the balance of the week, we hope to have a number of conference reports ready. Among the possibilities are H.R. 3540, the Foreign Operations Appropriations Act; H.R. 3259, the Intelligence Authorization Act; H.R. 2202, the Immigration in the National Interest Act; and H.R. 3005, the Securities Amendments of 1996.

The House may also consider a fiscal year 1997 omnibus appropriations bill next week.

Mr. Speaker, as we approach the end of the 104th Congress, we brace ourselves for our usual hectic pace. We expect that a number of other measures, both from the other body and from our own committees, may become available. Of course, we will keep Members apprised throughout the week of what might be brought under consideration.

As previously announced, we hope to conclude legislative business and adjourn the 104th Congress sine die on Friday, September 27.

Mr. Speaker, if I might just add, call me optimistic but it is still our hope that we may be able to conclude by that day and that is the target for which we shoot.

I thank the gentlewoman.

Mrs. KENNELLY. Mr. Speaker, should I take from the gentleman's last remarks that Members should not prepare to stay through the weekend next week?

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, if the gentlewoman will continue to yield, as I said to my conference yesterday, we are at sine die. These are the end times and there are times of great tribulation. I think the prudent Member might be prepared to work not only Friday but possibly even Saturday next week as we try to clean up the year's final days of business. Again, I think it is always useful to speak in the most optimistic terms, but also to be prepared for the possibility delays keeping us either late Friday night or even into Saturday.

Mrs. KENNELLY. Mr. Speaker, last week in this very same exchange, in this forum, Mr. FAZIO asked you if you might schedule a vote so that we in the House could proclaim our support of the troops in the Iraq situation. The Senate took such a vote on September 5. I wonder, is there any possibility that we might schedule a vote so we, too, could share our support in this House for the troops that are in the Iraq situation?

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, if the gentlewoman will continue to yield, I thank the gentlewoman for her inquiry.

If I might just also make a point, if I may just digress for a moment, as I talked about our concerns and hopes with respect to the 27th and/or the 28th, we should also recognize it is altogether possible we would perhaps have to work the following week. Nothing is settled until it is settled.

With respect to the kind of resolution that the gentlewoman has asked about, I have at this point not had any member of any committee, any chairman, approach me with any resolution and any inquiry with respect to placing it on the schedule.

Mrs. KENNELLY. Mr. Speaker, I think what I would hope is that maybe we could just take up the Senate bill.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentlewoman for the suggestion, and I will take it under consideration.

Mr. VOLKMER. Mr. Speaker, will the gentlewoman yield?

Mrs. KENNELLY. I yield to the gentleman from Missouri.

Mr. VOLKMER. Mr. Speaker, the gentleman knows, having been here in the last Congress, we did not do the martial law resolution which we will be doing for this Congress. I do not have any great reservations about it because we used it many times before and I can understand in the closing days you use it.

But there is one part of this one that I have some serious problems with. I would like some assurances that perhaps we could get, depending on the circumstances, perhaps a little more notice. It says in here, "shall be in order for a time for the remainder of the second session for the Speaker to entertain motions to suspend the rules, provided that the object of a motion is announced from the floor at least 1 hour before the motion is offered."

Now, my concern about this is, let us say that we are in a recess, and as you know, there will be days toward the end when we will be in suspended recess, maybe for several hours. I would hope that we would make sure that Members have an opportunity, if a bill is brought up through a suspension, which it can be at any time, that at least we have an opportunity, knowing that it is going to be brought at a certain time, we have an opportunity to examine the bill, look at it, have our staff look at it so that we can appraise it before we vote. That is my biggest concern, not that you have the right to do the suspension but that Members could have sufficient time to be prepared to vote on it.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I think the gentleman makes an important point and a point that I am in agreement with.

Let me just say, one, I would hope that we would not even need to use this authority from the Committee on Rules. Should it become necessary, I think again a primary consideration must be the orderly functioning of the body, and in due respect for the needs of the minority and all Members to be informed as timely as possible for any action pending. I will pledge to the gentleman my personal commitment to do that to the very utmost of my ability.

Mr. VOLKMER. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, will the gentlewoman yield?

Mrs. KENNELLY. I yield to the gentlewoman from Colorado.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, this last weekend the Speaker said he had no objection to a bill that some of us have offered, that passed unanimously in the Senate and the President said he would sign. I was wondering if there was any way we could get that to the floor in the last week. That is the bill that would expand the Brady bill so that people who have been convicted of domestic violence offenses could not be able to purchase a gun. I was really pleased to hear the Speaker say he did

not have an objection to it, and was wondering, since it appears to have been cleared and so noncontroversial, could we get it out and could we get it passed?

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentlewoman for that inquiry. Let me say, that is on a long list of bills that I hope to pour over, and perhaps we will be able to do so even this afternoon. But at this point I cannot make any comment on that, if for no other reason, out of respect for the other bills that I think Members want. I think it is fair for everybody to know that they had a fair look-see along with the rest.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, I wanted to inquire about the suffragettes who are still in the basement of the rotunda, who have been down there since 1921. I understand that the funding has now been procured privately to raise them up to the first, to the main floor where they are supposed to be. Again, the Senate I guess has unanimously passed this. Would there be any way we could free those women, who have been relegated to the basement since 1921, before we could go home? Do you think we could work that in?

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentlewoman for her compelling expression of concern. It would be very difficult for me to do anything but commit to, with all haste, find out more about this situation. I should suspect that perhaps I could begin by checking with the House administration committee, and I will look into it.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman.

ADJOURNMENT FROM FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1996 TO MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 1996

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns tomorrow, September 20, 1996, it adjourns to meet at noon on Monday next.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

HOUR OF MEETING ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1996

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns on Monday, September 23, 1996, it adjourns to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, September 24, for morning hour debates.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

DISPENSING WITH CALENDAR WEDNESDAY BUSINESS ON WEDNESDAY NEXT

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the business

in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday next.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

REQUEST TO EXPRESS HOUSE SUPPORT FOR MINNESOTA VIKINGS

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that it be the expression of this House that we favor the Minnesota Vikings over the Green Bay Packers on Sunday.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair is unable to entertain that request.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my request.

REPORT ON CONTINUING NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO ANGOLA—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 104-266)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, without objection, referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed:

To the Congress of the United States:

I hereby report to the Congress on the developments since March 25, 1996, concerning the national emergency with respect to Angola that was declared in Executive Order 12865 of September 26, 1993. This report is submitted pursuant to section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c).

On September 26, 1993, I declared a national emergency with respect to Angola, invoking the authority, inter alia, of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) and the United Nations Participation Act of 1945 (22 U.S.C. 287c). Consistent with United Nations Security Council Resolution 864, dated September 15, 1993, the order prohibited the sale or supply by United States persons or from the United States, or using U.S.-registered vessels or aircraft, of arms and related materiel of all types, including weapons and ammunition, military vehicles, equipment and spare parts, and petroleum and petroleum products to the territory of Angola other than through designated points of entry. The order also prohibited such sale or supply to the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola ("UNITA"). United States persons are prohibited from activities that promote or are calculated to promote such sales or supplies, or from attempted violations, or from evasion or

avoidance or transactions that have the purpose of evasion or avoidance, of the stated prohibitions. The order authorized the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, to take such actions, including the promulgation of rules and regulations, as might be necessary to carry out the purposes of the order.

1. On December 10, 1993, the Secretary of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) issued the UNITA (Angola) Sanctions Regulations (the "Regulations") (58 Fed. Reg. 64904) to implement the President's declaration of a national emergency and imposition of sanctions against Angola (UNITA). There have been no amendments to the Regulations since my report of March 25, 1996.

The Regulations prohibit the sale or supply by United States persons or from the United States, or using U.S.-registered vessels or aircraft, of arms and related materiel of all types, including weapons and ammunition, military vehicles, equipment and spare parts, and petroleum and petroleum products to UNITA or to the territory of Angola other than through designated points. United States persons are also prohibited from activities that promote or are calculated to promote such sales or supplies to UNITA or Angola, or from any transaction by any United States persons that evades or avoids, or has the purpose of evading or avoiding, or attempts to violate, any of the prohibitions set forth in the Executive order. Also prohibited are transactions by United States persons, or involving the use of U.S.-registered vessels or aircraft, relating to transportation to Angola or UNITA of goods the exportation of which is prohibited.

The Government of Angola has designated the following points of entry as points in Angola to which the articles otherwise prohibited by the Regulations may be shipped: *Airports:* Luanda and Katumbela, Benguela Province; *Ports:* Luanda and Lobito, Benguela Province; and Namibe, Namibe Province; and *Entry Points:* Malongo, Cabinda Province. Although no specific license is required by the Department of the Treasury for shipments to these designated points of entry (unless the item is destined for UNITA), any such exports remain subject to the licensing requirements of the Departments of State and/or Commerce.

2. The OFAC has worked closely with the U.S. financial community to assure a heightened awareness of the sanctions against UNITA—through the dissemination of publications, seminars, and notices to electronic bulletin boards. This educational effort has resulted in frequent calls from banks to assure that they are not routing funds in violation of these prohibitions. United States exporters have also been notified of the sanctions through a variety of media, including special fliers and computer bulletin board information initiated by OFAC and posted