

3. The Department of State continues to present other United States Government claims against Iran, in coordination with concerned government agencies, and to respond to claims brought against the United States by Iran, in coordination with concerned government agencies.

In September 1995, the Departments of Justice and State represented the United States in the first Tribunal hearing on a government-to-government claim in 5 years. The Full Tribunal heard arguments in Cases A/15(IV) and A/24. Case A/15(IV) is an interpretive dispute in which Iran claims that the United States has violated the Algiers Accords by its alleged failure to terminate all litigation against Iran in U.S. courts. Case A/24 involves a similar interpretive dispute in which, specifically, Iran claims that the obligation of the United States under the Accords to terminate litigation prohibits a lawsuit against Iran by the McKesson Corporation from proceeding in U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia. The McKesson Corporation reactivated that litigation against Iran in the United States following the Tribunal's negative ruling on Foremost McKesson Incorporated's claim before the Tribunal.

Also in September 1995, Iran filed briefs in two cases, to which the United States is now preparing responses. In Case A/11, Iran filed its Hearing Memorial and Evidence. In that case, Iran has sued the United States for \$10 billion, alleging that the United States failed to fulfill its obligations under the Accords to assist Iran in recovering the assets of the former Shah of Iran. Iran alleges that the United States improperly failed to (1) freeze the U.S. assets of the Shah's estate and certain U.S. assets of close relatives of the Shah; (2) report to Iran all known information about such assets; and (3) otherwise assist Iran in such litigation.

In Case A/15(II:A), 3 years after the Tribunal's partial award in the case, Iran filed briefs and evidence relating to 10 of Iran's claims against the United States Government for non-military property allegedly held by private companies in the United States. Although Iran's submission was made in response to a Tribunal order directing Iran to file its brief and evidence "concerning all remaining issues to be decided by this Case," Iran's filing failed to address many claims in the case.

In August 1995, the United States filed the second of two parts of its consolidated submission on the merits in Case B/61, addressing issues of liability and compensation. As reported in my May 1995 Report, Case B/61 involves a claim by Iran for compensation with respect to primarily military equipment that Iran alleges it did not receive. The equipment was purchased pursuant to commercial contracts with more than 50 private American companies. Iran alleges that it suffered direct losses and consequential damages in

excess of \$2 billion in total because the United States Government's refusal to allow the export of the equipment after January 19, 1981, in alleged contravention of the Algiers Accords.

4. Since my last report, the Tribunal has issued two important awards in favor of U.S. nationals considered dual United States-Iranian nationals by the Tribunal. On July 7, 1995, the Tribunal issued Award No. 565, awarding a claimant \$1.1 million plus interest for Iran's expropriation of the claimant's shares in the Iranian architectural firm of Abdolaziz Farmafarmaian & Associates. On July 14, 1995, the Tribunal issued Award No. 566, awarding two claimants \$129,869 each, plus interest, as compensation for Iran's taking real property inherited by the claimants from their father. Award No. 566 is significant in that it is the Tribunal's first decision awarding dual national claimants compensation for Iran's expropriation of real property in Iran.

5. The situation reviewed above continues to implicate important diplomatic, financial, and legal interests of the United States and its nationals and presents an unusual challenge to the national security and foreign policy of the United States. The Iranian Assets Control Regulations issued pursuant to Executive Order No. 12170 continue to play an important role in structuring our relationship with Iran and in enabling the United States to implement properly the Algiers Accords. I shall continue to exercise the powers at my disposal to deal with these problems and will continue to report periodically to the Congress on significant developments.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, November 28, 1995.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 2:48 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Goetz, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 2491. An act to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 105 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1996.

The enrolled bill was signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. THURMOND).

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-1622. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation to amend the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act and the Rural Development Act of 1972 to improve the effectiveness of certain rural development programs by providing limited authority to transfer appropriated funds

among program accounts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1623. A communication from the Director of Corporate Financial Audits, the General Accounting Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, a determination of the 1995 fiscal year interest rates on rural telephone bank loans; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1624. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Communications, Computers, and Support Systems), transmitting, a cost comparison study of the Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training (ENJJPT) aircraft maintenance contract; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1625. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, the Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on direct spending or receipts legislation within five days of enactment; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-1626. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report of Accomplishments Under the Air Improvement Program for fiscal year 1994; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-474. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Michigan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 54

"Whereas, the people of the Republic of China are among the most trusted friends of the American people. They have built a prosperous, successful, and free economy, and they are important trading partners of the American people. It is incumbent on the people of Michigan to foster this relationship, and no better way of doing so exists than in establishing a sister-state relationship between our two peoples; and

"Whereas, in a complex world it is very important to promote greater world understanding by learning more about the people of different nations. Such actions are mutually beneficial and encourage social, economic, educational, and cultural programs through which all nations are enriched and increased world understanding is created; and

"Whereas, the Republic of China is rich in agricultural products, textiles, electrical machinery, and plastic products. It is wealthy, too, in its people, as we are in Michigan. It would be in our own interest and in the interest of the Republic of China to foster a strengthening of our current knowledge of one another by creating a sister-state relationship between the Province of Taiwan of the Republic of China and the state of Michigan of the United States: Now, therefore be it

"Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Michigan Legislature hereby establishes a sister-state relationship with the Province of Taiwan of the Republic of China and the state of Michigan of the United States. We invite the people and government of the Republic of China to conduct mutually beneficial social, economic, educational, and cultural programs to bring our citizens closer together and to strengthen international understanding and goodwill; and be it further

"Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United