

S. 1419

At the request of Mrs. KASSEBAUM, the name of the Senator from Maine [Ms. SNOWE] was added as a cosponsor of S. 1419, a bill to impose sanctions against Nigeria.

S. 1470

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the names of the Senator from Delaware [Mr. BIDEN] and the Senator from Virginia [Mr. WARNER] were added as cosponsors of S. 1470, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to provide for increases in the amounts of allowable earnings under the Social Security earnings limit for individuals who have attained retirement age, and for other purposes.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 43

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, his name was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 43, a joint resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding Wei Jingsheng; Gedhun Choekyi Nyima, the next Panchen Lama of Tibet; and the human rights practices of the Government of the People's Republic of China.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 35

Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. KYL, Mr. LOTT, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BURNS, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. COATS, Mr. D'AMATO, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. FAIRCLOTH, Mr. FRIST, Mr. GRAMS, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HELMS, Mr. KEMPTHORNE, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. PRESSLER, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. SMITH, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. THOMPSON, and Mr. THURMOND) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was considered and not agreed to:

S. CON. RES. 35

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring),

SECTION 1. EXPRESSING OPPOSITION TO THE DEPLOYMENT DECISION.

The Congress opposes President Clinton's decision to deploy United States military ground forces into the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina to implement the General Framework Agreement for Peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina and its associated annexes.

SEC. 2 EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR UNITED STATES MILITARY PERSONNEL WHO ARE DEPLOYED.

The Congress strongly supports the United States military personnel who may be ordered by the President to implement the General Framework Agreement for Peace in Bosnia and Herzegovina and its associated annexes.

SEC. 3. TRANSMITTAL OF RESOLUTION.

The Secretary of the Senate shall transmit a copy of this concurrent resolution to the President.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 36—DIRECTING THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

Mr. LEVIN submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. CON. RES. 36

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That in the enroll-

ment of the bill S. 1060, to provide for the disclosure of lobbying activities to influence the Federal Government, and for other purposes, the Secretary of the Senate shall make the following corrections:

(1) In section 6(8), strike "6" and insert "7".

(2) In section 9(7), insert "and" after the semicolon, in section 9(8), strike "; and" and insert a period, and strike paragraph (9) of section 9.

(3) In section 12(c), strike "7" and insert "6".

(4) In section 15(a)(2), strike "8" and insert "7".

(5) In section 15(b)(1), strike ", 5(a)(2)," and in section 15(b)(2), strike "8" and insert "7".

(6) In section 24(b), strike "13, 14, 15, and 16" and insert "9, 10, 11, and 12".

(7) In section 12(b)(1), strike "7" and insert in lieu thereof "6".

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED

TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

SIMPSON (AND CRAIG) AMENDMENT NO. 3098

Mr. BROWN (for Mr. SIMPSON, for himself and Mr. CRAIG) proposed an amendment to the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 116) directing the Secretary of the Senate to make technical corrections in the enrollment of S. 1060; as follows:

On page 2, after line 10 insert the following: (7) In section 18, strike "contract, loan, or any other form" and insert "or loan".

(8) In section 12(b)(1), strike "7" and insert "6".

THE AU PAIR PROGRAMS EXTENSION ACT

HELMS (AND DODD) AMENDMENT NO. 3099

Mr. BROWN (for Mr. HELMS, for himself and Mr. DODD) proposed an amendment to the bill (S. 1465) to extend au pair programs; as follows:

On line 9 strike "1999" and replace with "1997".

On line 10, strike "1998" and replace with "1996".

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet on Wednesday, December 13, 1995, at 10 a.m. in open session, to consider the nomination of Mr. H. Martin Lancaster for appointment as Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the full Committee on Environment and Public

Works be granted permission to conduct a hearing Wednesday, December 13, at 9:30 a.m., Hearing Room (SD-406), with respect to the reauthorization of the Clean Water Act on municipal issues.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, December 13, 1995 at 2 p.m. to hold a closed hearing regarding intelligence matters.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FORESTS AND PUBLIC LAND MANAGEMENT

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be granted permission to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, December 13, 1995, for purposes of conducting a subcommittee hearing which is scheduled to begin at 2:30 p.m. The purpose of this hearing is to consider S. 901, the Water Recycling Projects; S. 1013, the Garrison Diversion Unit Project; S. 1154, the Fort Peck Rural County Water Supply System Act of 1995; S. 1169, the McCall Area Wastewater Reclamation and Reuse Project, and S. 1186, the Flathead Irrigation and Power Project.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

ILLICIT DRUGS

Mr. D'AMATO. Mr. President, I rise today to discuss a vital, bicameral effort to combat drugs in this country. The Task Force on National Drug Policy, of which I am a proud member, was announced today to work to solve a serious problem: narcotics.

Despite efforts by Congress to curtail the flow of drugs into this country and its use by Americans, it seems as though the results have been lost with this administration. The intent of this task force is to focus the White House on a problem that is far from being resolved, and where much attention needs to be paid.

This is particularly important in light of recent studies that have indicated a growing trend in illicit drug use among teenagers. Studies indicate that, despite a decline in drug use among teens during the 1980's, drug use has risen sharply in the past few years. Cocaine use by high school students increased 36 percent since 1991-92, which was the period of lowest use. Marijuana use increased as well. Between the 1990-92 school year and 1994, marijuana use among junior high school students rose 111 percent and rose 67 percent in high schools. Now, one in three high

school students admit to smoking marijuana.

Even without being armed with these statistics, Americans see the rise of drug use in their communities. It is on their streets and in their schools. Understandably, citizens view narcotics as one of the most pressing problems facing our country. According to a Gallup poll released yesterday, 94 percent of Americans see drug use as a serious problem or a crisis.

These recent reports are a wake-up call to the administration to take action. It has served as the impetus for this Task Force on National Drug Policy to set a framework for policy and establish strategic plans to combat the drug epidemic. This, in turn, should move the White House to realize that this is a pressing issue that they can no longer neglect. Action must be taken now. Our children cannot afford to wait any longer.

Efforts must be stepped up to get at the drug suppliers, especially the drug kingpins. They are profiting while the rest of us suffer. There presence is being tolerated and should not be tolerated anymore.

In order to control the proliferation of illegal narcotics, law enforcement efforts must play a leading role in the Federal strategy. Law enforcement agencies, experts in this field, have been able to develop innovative techniques to respond to the spread of drugs in our communities. They are on the frontlines of this war against drugs and have the knowledge to fight its recent rise.

The members of this task force have the ability to establish policy and to take the initiative through legislative action. An example of this could be the implementation of a system such as the Automated Fingerprint Identification System [AFIS]. Using this biometric system, drug smugglers will not be able to repeatedly enter this country using fictitious identification with anonymity and impunity. Recidivistic drug felons could be immediately identified, detained, and prosecuted or deported before their heinous acts impact upon our children, families, and communities. This is at least one way to reduce the flow of drugs over our borders.

Another way to deter drug dealers is to raise sentencing guidelines and enact mandatory minimums to guarantee longer sentences. These will also act as a deterrent to potential offenders. We should be attacking their trade, not ignoring their presence.

It is evident that the illegal drug trade has profited with the focus shifted away from their activities. But this task force will change that. With the emphasis placed back on narcotics and the harm it spreads, this task force may be able to concentrate efforts to rekindle the decline of drug use that was noted prior to this administration.

I would also like to take this opportunity to commend my colleagues for their leadership and initiative in the

effort to control illicit drugs in the United States.●

TO HELP THOSE LIVING ON THE EDGE

● Mr. SIMON. Mr. President, one of the most dynamic people I have had a chance to meet in my years in public life is a Roman Catholic priest by the name of Father George Clements.

He has stirred controversy from time to time by his championing of causes that sometimes are unpopular but always, in my opinion, reflect favorably on his faith and his humanitarianism.

Recently Parade magazine had a story concerning his program of "One Church-One Addict" which I ask to be printed in full in the RECORD.

What a great thing for this Nation it would be if every church in the Nation were to follow this simple admonition.

Many churches would find that they have been unable to help people, a least not immediately. But many others would find they have been the difference in keeping people from going over the edge.

The article follows:

TO HELP THOSE LIVING ON THE EDGE (By Marie Ragghianti)

The only major institution not dealing with substance abuse is the church," the Rev. George Clements told me. "Look at our prisons and universities—they're fighting drugs. We can do no less."

For many years, Father Clements has been inspiring others to action through both his words and his deeds. In 1980, from his parish in Chicago, he started a program called One Church-One Child. His idea—for every church to place one homeless child with a family—eventually grew into a national program, and it has helped find homes for more than 50,000 children. In a controversial move, Clements himself adopted four youngsters. (The Vatican eventually supported him.) In 1987, a TV movie told his story.

Now, the 63-year-old priest has an even more ambitious mission: to help recovering addicts find support in their religious communities. Clements' new program is called One Church-One Addict, which he founded with the American Alliance for Rights and Responsibilities, a nonprofit organization based in Washington, D.C.

"If Jesus was walking around today, he'd be working in the area of substance abuse," Clements says when he speaks to religious groups around the country. "Jesus lived on the cutting edge and helped others. We must do the same."

One Church-One Addict is ecumenical: All faiths are asked to do something about drug addiction and/or alcoholism in their communities. Volunteers are trained to give counseling and support. They meet with clients in one-on-one sessions, helping them learn how to live without drugs or alcohol. Clients usually enter the program upon leaving a rehabilitation center or clinic. They receive support for about nine months, although no time limit is set.

I asked Father Clements how he got involved in helping recovering addicts. It began, he said, with a child he once knew who lived near his church—the Holy Angels Catholic church, in the drug-plagued housing projects of Chicago's South Side.

"I wouldn't be in this work today if it wasn't for Tommy," Clements explained. "Tommy was valedictorian of his eighth-

grade class. He was a great football player and had won an academic scholarship to attend an excellent high school. He wanted to be an obstetrician. One evening, he asked if I thought he could make it. 'Of course you can, Tommy,' I told him. 'I have no doubt.' "That night, after I was in bed, the phone rang. It was the emergency room at a local hospital. A kid was dying. He was unconscious and didn't have any identification, but they could make out the words 'Father Clements.' I raced to the hospital. When I arrived, I found Tommy lying on a slab, dead of a drug overdose.

"After the funeral, I sat at my desk and couldn't stop crying. How could I not have known? That day, it was as if a force grabbed me by the back of the neck, and I knew I had to do something."

Shortly after Tommy's death, Father Clements took a walk through his neighborhood. What he saw outraged him: Drug paraphernalia littered the streets and, to his astonishment, was being sold in the area's small liquor stores, pharmacies and candy shops—many of which were frequented by children. A few months later, Clements decided to organize protests. He went to a large wholesaler of drug paraphernalia and held a revival in the parking lot. The 1989 event was covered by regional media and prompted the Illinois Legislature to pass a law banning much of the paraphernalia.

For Clements, however, that victory was only the beginning: He decided that the church could no longer ignore the problem of drugs in the community. After five years of planning, One Church-One Addict was born in 1994, receiving funding through seed grants provided by nonprofit groups. Since then, 715 churches in 31 states have signed on; more than 2000 people have been helped by its network of support.

How does Father Clements compare the two programs he founded?

"I feel that One Church-One Addict is a natural outgrowth of One Church-One Child," he said. "People are much more sympathetic to kids than to addicts. But I tell people that I'm not excusing or defending addiction. We say, 'Love the addict, hate the addiction.'"●

PROTECTING THE FIRST AMENDMENT

● Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I did not support the effort yesterday to begin writing exceptions into the first amendment of our Constitution. The first amendment protects the right of free speech, no matter how unpopular or offensive that speech is. The Court interprets this to include the right of people to burn a flag if a person so chooses. Presumably, the Court would reach the same conclusion with regard to a person's right to burn the Constitution or even the Bill of Rights itself.

Modern technology has given us the ability to see political protest, including the burning of flags, as it occurs around the world—in Tiananmen Square, in the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe, and in South Africa. We are not only able to see the political protest, we are also able to see those governments step in to prevent that expression, to limit that speech, and to silence dissent and criticism aimed at those in power.

This proposed constitutional amendment would sanction that same type of