

COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND HUMAN RESOURCES

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Labor and Human Resources be authorized to meet in executive session during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 24, 1996, at 9:30 a.m.

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

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, the Committee on Veterans' Affairs would like to request unanimous consent to hold a hearing on the President's fiscal year 1997 budget proposals for veterans' programs. The hearing will be held on April 24, 1996, at 2:00 p.m., in room 418 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

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

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 24, 1996, at 9:00 a.m. to hold an open hearing on intelligence matters.

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

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 24, 1996, at 3:00 p.m. to hold a closed mark-up.

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

SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE WHITewater DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED MATTERS

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Special Committee to Investigate Whitewater Development and Related Matters be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 24, and Thursday, April 25, 1996, to conduct hearings pursuant to Senate Resolution 120.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary, be authorized to meet during a session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 24, 1996, at 2:00 p.m., in Senate Dirksen room 226, on "The need for additional bankruptcy judgeships and the role of the U.S. trustee system".

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

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

IN SOLIDARITY WITH ISRAEL TO FIGHT TERRORISM

• Mr. MACK. Mr. President, I submit for the RECORD the following American-Jewish Committee message of sol-

idarity with Israel against terrorism. The message appeared as a full-page advertisement in the New York Times on March 17, 1996.

The message follows:

• We stand with Israel—in grief, in solidarity, in our resolve to fight terrorism.

Again and again, terrorists intent on destroying Israel and halting the Arab-Israeli peace process have taken their deadly toll of innocent lives. In the latest horrific attacks, scores have been killed: Israelis young and old; Jews and non-Jews; citizens and visitors, including two young Americans.

We stand as one in our condemnation of those who commit and assist such heinous acts. The murderers and their supporters serve no agenda other than blind, fanatical hatred. Israelis, Palestinians, the international community must act to stop these killers now. Through every practical means, the promoters of terror must be defeated, their pipelines of financial and logistical support choked off.

We stand as one with the people of Israel and Jews the world over in mourning the victims of terrorist murder—as we have stood with Israel in other times of peril, and in times of accomplishment and hope. We stand with Israel in its age-old quest for peace and security.

This is a time of sorrow and reflection for the people of Israel, and for all who seek peace. It is a time of challenge for a country that has maintained its commitment to peace and freedom under relentless attack. We stand with Israel—in grief, in solidarity, and in our resolve to fight terrorists committed to the death of innocents and the death of hope.

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● Mr. SIMON. Mr. President, there is a great deal of talk about what we will