

him strip down to the shorts. He was locked in the leg irons and made to sit on the bed pallet. His hands were left free but they were useless now. The wrists, torn and bloody, looked as if though they had been almost served by the hell cuffs, and the discolored hands and fingers remained so swollen that he could not move them.

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Another page of torture. Another whole page of torture. Another whole page of torture. Now we are getting back to the Faker.

Fidel departed sometime in August. He was not seen back again. The Vietnamese had finally concluded that the Faker, Maj. Earl Cobiell, was not faking. Frequently they would deliver a few cookies to him. When the other prisoners would urge these extras upon him, he would sometimes accept them, only to fire back at his fellow prisoners who had proffered them. The Vietnamese seemed increasingly frightened over the man's condition. Lump kept asking the other Americans, "What do you want us to do? What is needed?"

Because the Cuban torture masters had gone on to glory at the U.N. and back to Fidel, the first-degree, murdering torture master, who was put in an NBC special in the middle of the Olympics.

What is the matter with you people at NBC? Why would you ruin every Cuban American's enjoyment of those wonderful games by putting this first-degree killer Castro in our face? Why would you glorify this raw evil? Because you know nothing about the history of your country.

I cannot even read this one, it is so bad.

One of the group, Navy Lt. Al Carpenter, captured November 1, 1966, not to be confused with Capt. Air Force Joe Carpenter who was released on August 2, 1968, along with Jim Low and Maj. Fred Neale Thompson. This Carpenter stayed to the bitter end. He would not take an early release.

"Release him," Carpenter suggested. They had a plan which another man who suffered savage medieval torture, Larry Guarino, another hero, another camp commander, an SRO, senior ranking officer. He went down to 90 pounds; an average weight of about 160. Said, "Release him. See that he gets back to the United States where he will receive proper medical treatment, care, psychiatric help. Do that and we'll see the story never gets out about what we saw happen to him here."

The plan was rejected. It seemed clear the man's captors did not want him on view to the world. The guard Lump kept badgering Bomar to write of the good treatment that Cobiell, and I am inserting his name in the Reader's Digest Book POW.

Bomar kept producing such unsatisfactory statements as "He received two oranges after they stopped beating him with a fanbelt"; or "He was allowed a cookie after they stopped beating him

and hitting him for hours"; or "Since the beating stopped he's been given a banana."

Dissension began to seethe within the Fidel group. Oh, I am sorry, Fidel is gone but not the others.

Some of the men, sick and weary themselves, reached the end of patience and their deranged compatriot. This is sad.

Tired of trying to cope with Major Cobiell, they urged Bomar to demand that he be taken back to the hospital. Bomar agreed that hospital care was in order. The man has now lost his senses, and he is fighting his friends trying to help him.

He thought it vital that the group retain physical possession of the man. Bomar felt certain that if the man were removed from the company of other Americans, he would never be seen again.

That, Mr. Speaker, is what happened, until his bones came back to Arlington or maybe to some local graveyard that has a marker, Maj. Earl Cobiell, U.S. Air Force, the year of his birth, the year of his death. I hope we gave him the Distinguished Flying Cross or something so it could be dug into the marble of his earthly reminder that he lived.

He thought it vital, Colonel Bomar, that the group keep the man. I repeat.

Still, for the sake of some of the others and their sanity, Bomar wanted him in another cell, preferably nearby, with some Americans who would look after him. Larry Spencer and Ed Hubbard volunteered for the job. Bomar, having divined that all good ideas must originate in his captors' heads, tried to implant this one in Lump's cranium. It didn't take. The disaster continued.

POW, Mr. Speaker. Every student of America who loves freedom of speech should read it. They paid for our speech with their blood.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. BUNNING of Kentucky (at the request of Mr. ARMEY), for today after 2 p.m., on account of being inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame.

Mrs. MORELLA (at the request of Mr. ARMEY), for today after 2 p.m., on account of a death in the family.

Mrs. MEEK of Florida (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT), for today after 1:30 p.m., on account of personal business.

Mr. BISHOP (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT), for today, on account of official business.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. WISE) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mrs. COLLINS of Illinois, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. LAFALCE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. DELAURO, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. WISE, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. FIELDS of Louisiana, for 60 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at their own request) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. WISE, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. CAMPBELL) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. METCALF, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. CAMPBELL, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. WOLF, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. LONGLEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. RIGGS, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at his own request) to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. LONGLEY, for 5 minutes, today.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon by the Speaker:

H.R. 3603. An act making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, and for other purposes.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee did on this day present to the President, for his approval, a bill and a joint resolution of the House of the following titles:

H.R. 3215. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to repeal the provision relating to Federal employees contracting or trading with Indians.

H.J. Res. 166. Joint resolution granting the consent of Congress to the Mutual Aid Agreement between the city of Bristol, Virginia, and the city of Bristol, Tennessee.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. DORNAN. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Concurrent Resolution 203, 104th Congress, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. KOLBE). Pursuant to the provisions of House Concurrent Resolution 203, 104th Congress, the House stands adjourned until noon on Wednesday, September 4, 1996.

Thereupon (at 7 o'clock and 5 minutes p.m.), pursuant to House Concurrent Resolution 203, the House adjourned until Wednesday, September 4, 1996, at 12 noon.

EXPENDITURE REPORTS CONCERNING OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL

Reports concerning the foreign currencies and U.S. dollars utilized by various committees, U.S. House of Representatives, during the 2nd quarter of 1996 in connection with official foreign travel, pursuant to Public Law 95-384, are as follows:

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REFORM AND OVERSIGHT, U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 1996

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Hon. Dennis Hastert	4/8	4/9	Mexico		210.00		(3)				210.00
	4/9	4/11	Panama		278.00		(3)				278.00
	4/11	4/11	Colombia				(3)				0.00
	4/11	4/13	Bolivia		282.00		(3)		41,557.18		1,839.18
Hon. John Mica	4/13	4/15	Peru		504.00		(3)				504.00
	4/9	4/11	Panama		139.00			317.00			456.00
	4/11	4/11	Colombia				(3)				0.00
	4/11	4/13	Bolivia		282.00		(3)				282.00
Hon. William Zeff	4/13	4/15	Peru		504.00		(3)				504.00
	4/9	4/11	Panama		139.00			317.00			456.00
	4/11	4/11	Colombia				(3)				0.00
	4/11	4/13	Bolivia		282.00		(3)				282.00
Judith Blanchard	4/13	4/15	Peru		504.00		(3)				504.00
	4/8	4/9	Mexico		210.00		(3)				210.00
	4/9	4/11	Panama		278.00		(3)				278.00
	4/11	4/11	Colombia				(3)				0.00
Robert Charles	4/11	4/13	Bolivia		282.00		(3)				282.00
	4/13	4/15	Peru		504.00		(3)				504.00
	4/8	4/9	Mexico		210.00		(3)				210.00
	4/9	4/11	Panama		278.00		(3)				278.00
Jane Cobb	4/11	4/11	Colombia				(3)				0.00
	4/11	4/13	Bolivia		282.00		(3)				282.00
	4/13	4/15	Peru		504.00		(3)				504.00
	4/8	4/9	Mexico		210.00		(3)				210.00
Michele Lang	4/9	4/11	Panama		278.00		(3)				278.00
	4/11	4/11	Colombia				(3)				0.00
	4/11	4/13	Bolivia		282.00		(3)				282.00
	4/13	4/15	Peru		504.00		(3)				504.00
Kevin Sabo	4/8	4/9	Mexico		210.00		(3)				210.00
	4/9	4/11	Panama		278.00		(3)				278.00
	4/11	4/11	Colombia				(3)				0.00
	4/11	4/13	Bolivia		282.00		(3)				282.00
Sally Dionne	4/13	4/15	Peru		504.00		(3)				504.00
	4/8	4/9	Mexico		210.00		(3)				210.00
	4/9	4/11	Panama		278.00		(3)				278.00
	4/11	4/11	Colombia				(3)				0.00
Hon. Mark Souder	4/11	4/13	Bolivia		282.00		(3)				282.00
	4/13	4/15	Peru		504.00		(3)		69.52		573.52
	4/8	4/9	Mexico		210.00		(3)				210.00
	4/9	4/11	Panama		278.00		(3)				278.00
Committee total	4/11	4/11	Colombia				(3)				0.00
	4/11	4/13	Bolivia		282.00		(3)				282.00
	4/13	4/15	Peru		504.00		(3)				504.00
	4/8	4/9	Mexico		210.00		(3)				210.00
Committee total					12,042.00		634.00		1,626.70		14,302.70

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.
² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.
³ Military air transportation.
⁴ Expenses incurred by CODEL group.

BILL CLINGER,
 Chairman, July 25, 1996.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON RESOURCES, U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 1996

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
David Whaley	6/23	7/1	Scotland		1,250.00		1,056.45		300.00		2,606.45
Karen Steuer	6/22	6/29	Scotland		1,435.00		1,520.15		350.00		3,305.15
Committee total					2,685.00		2,576.60		650.00		\$5,911.60

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.
² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

DON YOUNG,
 Chairman, July 29, 1996.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON RULES, U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 1996

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Kristi E. Walseth	5/9	5/11	France		530.00						530.00
Commercial airfare							3,684.65				3,684.65
Committee total					530.00		3,684.65				4,214.65

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.
² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

JERRY SOLOMON,
 Chairman, July 31, 1996.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE, U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 1996

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Michael Amitay	6/29	7/6	United States				3,662.95				3,662.95
	6/30	7/6	Turkey		696.00				120.00		816.00
	7/6	7/9	Sweden		762.00						762.00
John Finerty	6/10	6/19	United States				3,407.35				3,407.35
Chadwick Gore	6/20	4/19	Russia		2,600.00						2,600.00
	4/20	4/21	United States				4,687.25				4,687.25
	4/21	4/21	Turkey		212.00						212.00
	4/21	4/21	Georgia		1,065.00				340.00		1,405.00
	4/26	4/29	Azerbaijan		711.00						711.00
	4/29	5/1	Turkey		212.00						212.00
Robert Hand	4/20	4/20	United States				2,375.25				2,375.00
	4/21	4/28	Serbia-Montenegro		1,321.50				442.00		1,763.00
	4/28	4/28	Austria		222.50						222.50
	5/22	5/22	United States				3,051.35				3,051.35
	5/22	5/23	Austria								0.00
	5/23	5/28	Albania		641.00				20.00		661.00
Janice Helwig	5/28	5/29	Austria		203.00						203.00
	4/10	4/10	United States				2,763.15				2,763.15
	4/10	4/21	Austria		2,233.00						2,233.00
	4/21	4/29	Serbia-Montenegro		1,120.00				441.12		1,561.12
	4/29	5/22	Austria		4,466.00						4,466.00
	5/22	5/28	Albania		768.00				773.83		1,541.83
	5/28	7/25	Austria		9,420.59						9,420.59
Michael Ochs	4/19	4/19	United States				3,926.25				3,926.25
	4/20	4/21	Turkey		212.00						212.00
	4/21	4/26	Georgia		1,065.00				230.00		1,295.00
	4/26	4/29	Azerbaijan		711.00						711.00
	4/29	5/1	Turkey		212.00						212.00
	6/29	7/6	United States				3,250.95				3,250.95
	6/30	7/6	Russia		1,750.00						1,750.00
Samuel Wise	4/15	4/15	United States				1,604.55				1,604.55
	4/16	4/19	Poland		611.00						611.00
	4/19	4/21	Austria		367.00						367.00
	4/21	4/26	Serbia-Montenegro		451.00						451.00
	4/26	4/29	Italy		165.00						165.00
Committee total					32,197.59		29,944.00		1,152.00		63,293.59

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.

² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

CHRIS SMITH,
July 30, 1996.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, PERMANENT SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE, U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APRIL 1 AND JUNE 30, 1996

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Hon. Bill Richardson	5/25	5/29	Asia		923.00						923.00
Commercial airfare							6,911.95				6,911.95
Ken Kodama	5/25	5/29	Asia		923.00						923.00
Commercial airfare							6,911.95				6,911.95
Committee total					1,846		13,823.9				15,669.9

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.

² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

LARRY COMBEST,
Chairman, July 18, 1996.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS,
ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

4510. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Avacados Grown in South Florida; Assessment Rate [Docket No. FV96-915-1 FIR] received August 2, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4511. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Florida Grapefruit, Florida Oranges and Tangelos, and Florida Tangerines; Grade Standards [Docket No. FV-96-301] received August 2, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4512. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Papayas Grown in Hawaii; Assessment Rate [Docket No. FV96-928-1 FIR] received August 2, 1996, pursuant

to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4513. A letter from the Chief, Programs and Legislation Division, Department of the Air Force, transmitting notification that the Commander of Laughlin Air Force Base [AFB], TX, has conducted a comparison study to reduce the cost of operating the base operating support [BOS], pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2304 note; to the Committee on National Security.

4514. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs and Public Liaison, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a copy of the 15th monthly report as required by the Mexican Debt Disclosure Act of 1995, pursuant to Public Law 104-6, section 404(a) (109 Stat. 90); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

4515. A letter from the Administrator, Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendments to Federal Contract Labor Laws by The Federal Acquisition Streamlining Act of 1994 (RIN: 1215-AA96) received July 30, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities.

4516. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—National Oil and Hazardous Substances Contingency Plan; National Priorities List Update (FRL-5454-1) received August 2, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4517. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to the List of Proscribed Destinations [22 CFR Part 126] received August 1, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

4518. A letter from the Executive Director, Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, transmitting the Committee's final rule—Additions to the Procurement List (41 U.S.C. Sec. 47(a)(2)) received August 2, 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.