

Peacekeeping Operation in Kosovo: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 42, regarding the use of United States Armed Forces as part of a NATO peacekeeping operation implementing a Kosovo peace agreement by a recorded vote of 219 ayes to 191 noes with 9 voting "present," Roll No. 49.

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Agreed To:

Gejdenson amendment, numbered 5 and printed in the Congressional Record, that includes a declaration of policy relating to an interim peace agreement; authorization for deployment of Armed Forces; and limitation of Armed Forces participation to not more than 15 percent; and

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Gilman amendment to the Gejdenson amendment, numbered 5, to authorize the deployment of U.S. Armed Forces to Kosova and require the President to submit various reports to Congress including a statement outlining the national interest in the conflict; specifying resources required; identifying the rules of engagement; and establishing an exit strategy before ordering the deployment of any Armed Forces personnel.

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Rejected:

Fowler amendment, to the Gejdenson amendment numbered 5 and printed in the Congressional Record, that sought to limit the deployment of U.S. Armed Forces to Kosovo and to not authorize the President to deploy ground forces as part of a NATO peacekeeping operation (rejected by a recorded vote of 178 ayes to 237 noes with 2 voting "present," Roll No. 48.

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Points of order sustained against:

Gejdenson amendment, numbered 7 and printed in the Congressional Record, that sought to include a declaration of policy relating to an interim agreement; authorization for deployment of Armed Forces; declaration of policy relating to support for the Armed Forces; and a limitation of Armed Forces participation to not more than 15 percent. Subsequently, sustained the ruling of the Chair by a recorded vote of 218 ayes to 205 noes, Roll No. 47; and

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Skelton amendment numbered 52 and printed in the Congressional Record that sought to not allow the deployment of U.S. Armed Forces to Kosovo unless a peace agreement has been reached and the deployment has been approved by Congress.

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House agreed to H. Res. 103, the rule that provided for consideration of the concurrent resolution by a recorded vote of 218 ayes to 201 noes, Roll No. 46. Earlier, agreed to order the previous question by a yea and nay vote of 218 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 45.

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Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representatives Wolf, Salmon, Greenwood, and Forbes to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

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Meeting Hour—March 15: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, March 15.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, March 17.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea and nay votes and six recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H1176, H1176–77, H1177–78, H1178–79, H1179, H1188, H1188–89, H1215, H1246–47, and H1249–50. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 10:24 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FOREST SERVICE BUDGET

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition, and Forestry held a hearing to review the Forest Service fiscal year 2000 Budget. Testimony was heard from Representatives Herger and Peterson of Pennsylvania; the following officials of the USDA: Michael Dombeck, Chief, Forest Service; and Roger C. Viadero, Inspector General; Linda M. Calbom, Director, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Accounting and Financial Management Issues, Accounting and Information Management Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the Supplemental Appropriations for fiscal year 1999.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary held a hearing on the Attorney General. Testimony was heard from Janet Reno, Attorney General.

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing on fiscal year 2000 Navy/Marine Corps Budget Review. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Navy: Richard Danzig, Secretary; Adm. Jay L. Johnson, USN, Chief of Naval Operations; and Gen. Charles C. Krulak, USMC, Commandant of the Marine Corps.

**ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT
APPROPRIATIONS**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development held a hearing on Energy Resources and Science. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Dan Reicher, Assistant Secretary, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy; William D. Magwood, IV, Director, Office of Nuclear Energy, Science and Technology; and Martha Krebs, Director, Office of Science.

FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs held a hearing on Security Assistance. Testimony was heard from John D. Holum, Acting Under Secretary, Arms Control and International Security Affairs, Department of State; and James Bodner, Principal Deputy Under Secretary, Policy, Department of Defense.

INTERIOR APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior held a hearing on the Smithsonian. Testimony was heard from I. Michael Heyman, Secretary, Smithsonian Institution.

**LABOR-HHS-EDUCATION
APPROPRIATIONS**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education held a hearing on Postsecondary Education, and Special Institutions for the Disabled, and on Secretary of Labor. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Education: Judith E. Heumann, Assistant Secretary, Special Education and Rehabilitative Services; Robert R. Davila, Vice President, National Technical Institute for the Deaf, Rochester Institute of Technology; and Tuck Tinsley, III, President, American Printing House for the Blind.

**MILITARY CONSTRUCTION
APPROPRIATIONS**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction held a hearing on Navy Construction. Testimony was heard from Robert B. Pirie, Assistant Secretary of the Navy, (Installations and Environment), Department of Defense.

**VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES
APPROPRIATIONS**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies continued hearings on Department of Housing and Urban Development. Testimony was heard from Andrew M. Cuomo, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

DEFENSE BUDGET REQUESTS

Committee on Armed Services: Held a hearing on the various combatant commanders-in-chief (CINC's) on their geographic areas of responsibility and assess the impact of the fiscal year 1999 defense budget request on their respective missions. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Walter B. Slocome, Under Secretary (Policy) and Gen. Anthony C. Zinni, USMC, Commander in Chief, U.S. Central Command.

**DOMESTIC TERRORISM—FEDERAL
RESPONSE**

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Research and Development held a hearing on the federal response to domestic terrorism involving weapons of mass destruction—increasing the effectiveness of the domestic emergency preparedness program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: Charles L. Cragin, Acting Assistant Secretary, Reserve Affairs; Delores M. Etter, Deputy Under Secretary, Science and Technology; Raymond Dominguez, Deputy Assistant Secretary (Forces and Resources), Office of the Assistant Secretary (Special Operations and Low Intensity Conflict); and Major. Gen. John Doesburg, USA, Commander, U.S. Army Soldier and Biological Chemical Command; and Page Stoutland, Director, Chemical and Biological Nonproliferation Program, Department of Energy.

FINANCIAL SERVICES ACT

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Ordered reported amended the Financial Services Act of 1999.

DEFENSE BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Held a hearing on “The Clinton Defense Plan: Shipshape or Treading Water?” Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: John J. Hamre, Deputy Secretary; and William J. Lynn, III, Under Secretary, Comptroller; and public witnesses.

EXXON-MOBIL MERGER

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Power concluded hearings on the Exxon-Mobil merger. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

“DATE RAPE” DRUGS

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on “Date Rape” Drugs. Testimony was heard from Representative Jackson-Lee; the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: Nicholas Reuter, Associate Director, Domestic and International Drug Control, Office of Health Affairs, FDA; and

Stephen Zukin, M.D., Director, Clinical and Services Research, National Institute on Drug Abuse, NIH; the following officials of the Department of Justice: Terrance W. Woodworth, Deputy Director, Office of Diversion Control, DEA; and Patricia Maher, Civil Division; and public witnesses.

SCHOOL VIOLENCE

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Youth, and Families held a hearing on School Violence: Protecting our Children. Testimony was heard from Mark Rosenberg, M.D., Director, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Census approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 928, 2000 Census Mail Outreach Improvement Act; H.R. 929, 2000 Census Language Barrier Removal Act; H.R. 1009, to authorize the awarding of grants to cities, counties, tribal organizations, and certain other entities for the purpose of improving public participation in the 2000 decennial census; and H.R. 1010, to improve participation in the 2000 decennial census by increasing the amounts available to the Bureau of the Census for marketing, promotion, and outreach.

COMBATTING TERRORISM—GAO VIEWS

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans' Affairs, and International Relations held a hearing on "Government-wide Spending to Combat Terrorism: GAO Views on the President's Annual Report". Testimony was heard from the following officials of the National Security and International Affairs Division, GAO: Henry L. Hnton, Jr., Assistant Comptroller; and Davi M. D'Agostino, Assistant Director, National Security Analysis.

TIBETAN UPRISING—40TH ANNIVERSARY—DALAI LAMA'S PLIGHT

Committee on International Relations: Held a hearing on U.S. Policy Considerations on the Fortieth Anniversary of the Tibetan Uprising and the Dalai Lama's Flight into Exile. Testimony was heard from Julia V. Taft, Assistant Secretary, Population, Refugees, and Migration, Department of State; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 850, Security

and Freedom through Encryption (SAFE) Act; H.R. 769, Madrid Protocol Implementation Act; and H.R. 771, to amend rule 30 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to restore the stenographic preference for recording depositions; and H.R. 1027, amended, Satellite Television Improvement Act.

OVERSIGHT—JUVENILE JUSTICE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime concluded oversight hearings on putting consequences back into juvenile justice, Federal, State, and local efforts. Testimony was heard from Representative Mike Lawlor, member, House of Representatives, State of Connecticut; Judge Patricia West, Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court, Virginia Beach; and Judge Richard D. Taylor, Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court, Richmond, both with the State of Virginia; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—IMPACT OF IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims also held an oversight hearing on the impact of immigration on low-skilled American workers and on American minority communities. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans held a hearing on the reauthorization of the Yukon River Salmon Act, the Fishermen's Protective Act of 1967, and the Intergovernmental Consultative Committee Agreement Between the Government of the United States and the Government of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on Mutual Fisheries Relations of May 31, 1988. Testimony was heard from Mary Beth West, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Oceans, Fisheries and Space, Department of State; Rowan Gould, Deputy Assistant Director, Fisheries, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and Gary Matlock, Chief, Sustainable Fisheries Office, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 66, to preserve the cultural resources of Route 66 Corridor and to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance; and H.R. 659, to authorize appropriations for the protection of Paoli and Brandywine Battlefields in Pennsylvania, to direct the National Park Service to conduct a special resource study of Paoli and Brandywine Battlefields, to authorize the Valley Forge Museum of the American Revolution at Valley Forge

National Historical Park. Testimony was heard from Senator Specter; Representatives Wilson, Weldon of Pennsylvania, Pitts and Hoeffel; Katherine Stevenson, Associate Director, Cultural Resources Stewardship, National Parks Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Water and Power approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 992, amended, to convey the Sly Park Dam and Reservoir to the El Dorado Irrigation District; H.R. 1019, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey lands and interests comprising the Carlsbad Irrigation Project to the Carlsbad Irrigation District; H.R. 841, amended, Welton-Mohawk Transfer Act; and H.R. 862, Clear Creek Distribution System Conveyance Act.

OVERSIGHT—BUDGET

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held an oversight hearing on fiscal year 2000 Budget: Regulations and Operations. Testimony was heard from Keith Calhoun-Senghor, Director, Office of Space Commercialization, Technology Administration, Department of Commerce; Patti Grace Smith, Associate Administrator, Office of Commercial Space Transportation, FAA, Department of Transportation; Joseph Rothenberg, Associate Administrator, Office of Human Space Flight, NASA; and a public witness.

SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCACY REVIEW PANELS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform and Paperwork Reduction and the Subcommittee on Government Programs and Oversight held a joint hearing on the Small Business Advocacy Review Panels created by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Ordered reported the following measures: H.R. 1000, amended, Aviation Investment and Reform Act for the 21st Century; H.R. 130, to designate the United States Courthouse located at 40 Centre Street in New York, New York, as the “Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse”; H.R. 751, amended, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 504 Hamilton Street in Allentown, Pennsylvania, as the “Edward N. Cahn Federal Building and United States Courthouse;” H.R. 717, National Parks Air Tour Management Act of 1999; H.R. 820, amended, Coast Guard Authorization Act of 1999; H. Con. Res. 44, amended, authorizing the

use of the Capitol Grounds for the 18th annual National Peace Officers’ Memorial Service; H. Con. Res. 47, amended, authorizing the use of the Capitol grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby; H. Con. Res. 48, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the opening ceremonies of Sunrayce 99; H. Con. Res. 49, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for a bike rodeo to be conducted by the Earth Force Youth Bike Summit; H. Con. Res. 50, authorizing the 1999 District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run to be run through the Capitol Grounds; and H. Con. Res. 51, expressing the sense of Congress that Dr. Doan Viet Hoat is to be praised and honored for his commitment to fight for democratic change in Vietnam.

The Committee also approved an 11(b) resolution.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, Hazardous Materials and Pipeline Transportation approved for full Committee action the following: H.R. 130, to designate the United States Courthouse located at 40 Centre Street in New York, New York as the “Thurgood Marshall United States Courthouse;” H.R. 751, amended, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 504 Hamilton Street in Allentown, Pennsylvania, as the “Edward N. Cahn Federal Building and United States Courthouse;” H. Con. Res. 44, amended, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the 18th annual National Peace Officers’ Memorial Service; H. Con. Res. 47, amended, authorizing the use of the Capitol grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby; H. Con. Res. 48, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the opening ceremonies of Sunrayce 99; H. Con. Res. 49, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for a bike rodeo to be conducted by the Earth Force Youth Bike Summit; H. Con. Res. 50, authorizing the 1999 District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run to be run through the Capitol Grounds; and H. Con. Res. 51, expressing the sense of Congress that Dr. Doan Viet Hoat is to be praised and honored for his commitment to fight for democratic change in Vietnam.

The Subcommittee also approved an 11(b) resolution.

BUDGET VIEWS AND ESTIMATES

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Approved the Committee’s Budget Views and Estimates for fiscal year 2000 for submission to the Committee on the Budget.

WHISTLEBLOWING AND RETALIATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on whistleblowing and retaliation in the Department of Veterans Affairs. Testimony was heard from Elaine Kaplan, Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel; the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Richard J. Griffin, Inspector General; Eugene A. Brickhouse, Assistant Secretary, Human Resources and Administration; and Leigh Bradley, General Counsel; and public witnesses.

DISABILITY BENEFICIARIES—BARRIERS PREVENTING RETURN TO WORK

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Social Security held a hearing on Barriers Preventing Disability Beneficiaries from Returning to Work. Testimony was heard from Representatives Johnson of Connecticut and Ramstad; Kenneth S. Apfel, Commissioner, SSA; Cynthia M. Fagnoni, Director, Income Security Issues, Health, Education and Human Services Division, GAO; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—COX/DICKS COMMITTEE FINDINGS

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Findings of the Cox/Dicks Committee. The Committee was briefed by Representatives Cox and Dicks.

Joint Meetings**BANKRUPTCY REFORM**

Joint Meeting: Senate Committee on the Judiciary's Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on the Judiciary's Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law on bankruptcy reform issues, after receiving testimony from Dean Sheaffer, Boscov's Department Store, Inc., Laurel Dale, Pennsylvania, on behalf of the National Retail Federation; Bruce L. Hammonds, MBNA America Bank, Wilmington, Delaware; Carol J. Kenner, United States Bankruptcy Judge, for the District of Massachusetts, Gary Klein, National Consumer Law Center, and Elizabeth Warren, Harvard Law School, all of Boston, Massachusetts; Larry Nuss, Cedar Falls Community Credit Union, Cedar Falls, Iowa, on behalf of the Credit Union National Association, Inc.; Edith Hollan Jones, United States Court of Appeals Judge for the Fifth Circuit, Houston, Texas, on behalf of the National Bankruptcy Review Commission; Judith Greenstone Miller, Clark Hill, Birmingham, Michigan, on behalf of the Commercial Law League of America; and Todd Zywicki, George

Mason University School of Law, Arlington, Virginia.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 12, 1999

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold oversight hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2000 for the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings on President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Justice, 9 a.m., SD-226.

House

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, to continue hearings on H.R. 45, Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1999, 9 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on Foreign Relations Authorization for Fiscal Year 2000-2001, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing on S. 314, Small Business Year 2000 Readiness Act, 10:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of March 15 through March 20, 1999

Senate Chamber

Senate will not be in session on Friday, March 12, 1999.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Armed Services: March 18, Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings on the readiness of the United States Air Force and Army operating forces, 2 p.m., SH-216.

Committee on the Budget: March 16, business Meeting to mark up a proposed concurrent resolution setting forth the fiscal year 2000 budget for the Federal Government, 2:30 p.m., SD-608.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: March 16, Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to resume oversight hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2000 for the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, 2 p.m., SD-366.

March 17, Full Committee, with the Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold joint hearings on proposals to expand Iraqi oil for food, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: March 16, Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property,