

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Robert D. Blackwill, of Kansas, to be Ambassador to India, Wendy Jean Chamberlin, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, William A. Eaton, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Administration, and Clark Kent Ervin, of Texas, to be Inspector General, both of the Department of State, William S. Farish, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Anthony Horace Gioia, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Malta, Douglas Alan Hartwick, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Daniel C. Kurtzer, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to Israel, Howard H. Leach, of California, to be Ambassador to France, Pierre-Richard Prosper, of California, to be Ambassador at Large for War Crimes Issues, Clark T. Randt, Jr., of Connecticut, to be Amba-

sador to the People's Republic of China, Charles J. Swindells, of Oregon, to be Ambassador to New Zealand, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to Samoa, Francis Xavier Taylor, of Maryland, to be Coordinator for Counterterrorism, with the rank and status of Ambassador at Large, Alexander R. Vershbow, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Russian Federation, Margaret DeBardeleben Tutwiler, of Alabama, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Morocco, C. David Welch, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Arab Republic of Egypt, and a Foreign Service Officer promotion list.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Lori A. Forman, of Virginia, to be Assistant Administrator for Asia and the Near East, United States Agency for International Development, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Brownback, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 21 public bills, H.R. 2404, 2435–2454; 1 private bill, H.R. 2455; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 183–184, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 271, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey a former Bureau of Land Management administrative site to the city of Carson City, Nevada, for use as a senior center (H. Rept. 107–122);

H.R. 695, to establish the Oil Region National Heritage Area, amended (H. Rept. 107–123);

H.R. 1628, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate El Camino Real de los Tejas as a National Historic Trail (H. Rept. 107–124);

H.R. 2215, to authorize appropriations for the Department of Justice for fiscal year 2002, amended (H. Rept. 107–125);

H.R. 2137, to make clerical and other technical amendments to title 18, United States Code, and other laws relating to crime and criminal procedure (H. Rept. 107–126);

H.R. 1892, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for the acceptance of an affidavit of support from another eligible sponsor if the original sponsor has died and the Attorney General

has determined for humanitarian reasons that the original sponsor's classification petition should not be revoked, amended (H. Rept. 107–127);

H.R. 807, private bill for the relief of Rabon Lowry of Pembroke, North Carolina (H. Rept. 107–128);

S. 560, private bill for the relief of Rita Mirembe Revell (a.k.a. Margaret Rita Mirembe) (H. Rept. 107–129);

In the Matter of Representative Earl F. Hilliard (H. Rept. 107–130);

H.R. 2356, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide bipartisan campaign reform (Adverse, H. Rept. 107–131, Part 1); and

H.R. 2360, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to restrict the use of non-Federal funds by national political parties, to revise the limitations on the amount of certain contributions which may be made under such Act, and to promote the availability of information on communications made with respect to campaigns for Federal elections, amended (H. Rept. 107–132).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Simpson to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Larry D. Ferguson, Senior Pastor, Christ Church of Plymouth, Indiana **Page H3809**

Recess: The House recessed at 4 p.m. and reconvened at 6 p.m. **Page H3827**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Encouraging Corporate Contributions to Faith-based Organizations: H. Con. Res. 170, encouraging corporations to contribute to faith-based organizations (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 391 yeas to 17 nays with 3 voting “present,” Roll No. 211); **Pages H3811–18, H3827**

Concern for Victims of Torture: H. Con. Res. 168, expressing the sense of Congress in support of victims of torture (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 409 yeas with none voting “nay,” Roll No. 212); **Pages H3818–19, H3828**

Tropical Forest Conservation Act Reauthorization: H.R. 2131, amended, to reauthorize the Tropical Forest Conservation Act of 1998 through fiscal year 2004. Agreed to amend the title; and **Pages H3819–23**

Presentation of Congressional Gold Medals to the Original 29 Navajo Code Talkers: H. Con. Res. 174, authorizing the Rotunda of the Capitol to be used on July 26, 2001, for a ceremony to present Congressional Gold Medals to the original 29 Navajo Code Talkers (agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 409 yeas with none voting “nay,” Roll No. 213). **Pages H3824–27, H3828–29**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:45 p.m. and reconvened at 9:49 p.m. **Page H3858**

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H3864–65.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H3827, H3828, and H3828–29. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS AND THE FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Ordered reported the following appropriations for fiscal year 2002: Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary; and the Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs.

VA, HUD AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD and Independent Agencies approved for full Committee action the VA, HUD and Independent Agencies appropriations for fiscal year 2002.

ENERGY ADVANCEMENT AND CONSERVATION ACT

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy and Air Quality began discussion of the Energy Advancement and Conservation Act of 2001.

Will continue tomorrow.

BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION PROTOCOL

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans' Affairs and International Relations held a hearing on Biological Weapons Convention Protocol: Status and Implications. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of State: Ambassador Donald A. Mahley, Special Negotiator for Chemical and Biological Arms Control, and Edward Lacey, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Verification and Compliance; and a public witness.

VETERANS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Benefits held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 862, to amend title 38, United States Code, to add Diabetes Mellitus (Type 2) to the list of diseases presumed to be service-connected for veterans exposed to certain herbicide agents; H.R. 1406, Gulf War Undiagnosed Illness Act of 2001; H.R. 1435, Veterans Emergency Telephone Service Act of 2001; H.R. 1746, to amend title 38, United States Code, to require that the Secretary of Veterans Affairs establish a single 1–800 telephone number for access by the public to veterans benefits counselors; H.R. 1929, Native American Veterans Home Loan Act of 2001; H.R. 2359, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the payment of National Service Life Insurance and United States Government Life Insurance proceeds to an alternate beneficiary; and H.R. 2361, Veterans Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2001. Testimony was heard from Representative Udall of New Mexico; Joseph Thompson, Under Secretary, Benefits, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and representatives of veterans organizations.

RENEWAL OF NORMAL TRADE WITH CHINA

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing on Renewal of Normal Trade Relations with China. Testimony was heard from