

computers, communication networks and IT. "This paradigm change has pushed science and technology to the forefront of policy issues and policy considerations, here and across the globe."

Along with Erich Bloch's key contributions to computing and the Internet and his foresightedness in matters of public policy, he deserves acclaim for the role that he has played in education. His creation of the NSF engineering research centers and science and technology centers reflect his belief in knowledge transfer. He brought together university scientists and industry researchers to provide educational benefits and help transform engineering education as well as to extend fundamental research benefits to industry. In education, Mr. Bloch also oversaw NSF's support of system wide reform for K-12 math and science education, including emphasis on participation by women and minorities in science and engineering. During his tenure, the budget for education and human resources more than tripled and NSF's overall budget increased to \$2 billion.

As a distinguished fellow with the Council on Competitiveness, a private, non-profit organization dedicated to furthering U.S. economic leadership, Mr. Bloch continues to advocate policies that promote the effective use of innovation in the development of the U.S. economy. He is also a member of the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology, has been a distinguished visiting professor at George Mason University, has been awarded 13 honorary degrees from major universities and ten major awards and medals, and serves as a member of numerous boards in both the public and private sectors.

For his remarkable vision, innovation, and continued contributions to the advanced technology sector and to the national interest in the economy and education, Erich Bloch is most deserving of the venerable Vannevar Bush Award. Very few can boast of having made similar contributions to society. I am delighted to bring this honor to the attention of my colleagues, awarded to a computer and Internet pioneer, a visionary research administrator and science educator, to the attention of my colleagues and to express my sincere congratulations to Mr. Bloch.●

ANTI-SEMITISM IN EUROPE

● Mr. SMITH of Oregon. Mr. President, I rise today to call attention to an editorial in today's Washington Post. Anti-Defamation League Director Abe Forman has written an excellent piece on the recent wave of anti-Semitism in Europe. The Anti-Defamation League today released a telling survey on anti-Semitic attitudes in America and abroad and the results are nothing less than chilling. I would call on all my colleagues to take a look at this im-

portant survey and recommit ourselves to stopping all prejudice—particularly anti-Semitism both here and in Europe.

I ask to have today's editorial by Abe Foxman printed in the RECORD.

The editorial follows:

EUROPE'S ANTI-ISRAEL EXCUSE

(By Abraham H. Foxman—Thursday, June 27, 2002)

Throughout history a constant barometer for judging the level of hate and exclusion vs. the level of freedom and democracy in any society has been anti-Semitism—how a country treats its Jewish citizens. Jews have been persecuted and delegitimized throughout history because of their perceived differences. Any society that can understand and accept Jews is typically more democratic, more open and accepting of "the other." The predictor has held true throughout the ages.

During the Holocaust, Jews and other minorities of Europe were dispatched to the camps and, ultimately, their deaths in an environment rife with anti-Semitism. Nearly 60 years later in a modern, democratic Europe that presumably had shed itself of the legacy of that era, Jews have again come under attack. During the past year and a half a troubling epidemic of anti-Jewish hatred, not isolated to any one country or community, has produced a climate of intimidation and fear in the Jewish communities of Europe. Never, as a Holocaust survivor, did I believe we would witness another eruption of anti-Semitism of such magnitude, in Europe of all places. But the resiliency of anti-Semitism is unparalleled. It rears its ugly head in far-flung places, like Malaysia and Japan, where there are no Jews.

The Anti-Defamation League has been taking the pulse of anti-Semitism in America for more than 40 years. Never did I expect that we would have to do the same in Europe, given the history and our expectation that European anti-Semitism, while not eradicated, would be so marginal and so rejected that it would not be a major concern.

What we found in the countries we surveyed—Britain, France, Germany, Belgium, and Denmark—was shocking and disturbing. Classical anti-Semitism, coupled with a new form fueled by anti-Israel sentiment, has become a potent and dangerous mix in countries with enormous Muslim and Arab populations.

More than 1 million Jews live in these five nations, and their communities are under siege. Who would have believed that we would see the burning of synagogues and attacks on Jewish students, rabbis, Jewish institutions and Jewish-owned property?

While European leaders have attempted to explain away these attacks as a fleeting response to events in the Middle East and not the harbinger of a more insidious and deeply ingrained hatred, the attitudes of average Europeans paint a far different picture. Among the 2,500 people polled in late May and early June as part of our survey, 45 percent admitted to their perception that Jews are more loyal to Israel than their own country, while 30 percent agreed with the statement that Jews have too much power in the business world. Perhaps most telling, 62 percent said they believe the outbreak of anti-Semitic violence in Europe is the result of anti-Israel sentiment, not anti-Jewish feeling. The contrariness of their own attitudes suggest that Europeans are loath to admit that hatred of Jews is making a comeback.

This view may make Europeans more comfortable in the face of what is happening in their countries, by suggesting that this time around, Jews are not the innocent victims

but are themselves the victimizers in the Middle East. But the incredibly biased reaction against Israel seen in the poll—despite the fact that Israel under former prime minister Ehud Barak offered the Palestinians an independent state, and despite the fact that Palestinians have carried out a sustained campaign of terrorism against Israeli civilians—speaks to a repressed hostility to Jews that may not be socially acceptable in post-Holocaust Europe. Still, even with such constraints, some 30 percent of Europeans are not averse to expressing their anti-Semitic beliefs openly and directly.

Meanwhile, the Europeans have been tepid in their support for the U.S. war on terrorism and especially the Bush administration's efforts to broker an end to Israeli-Palestinian bloodshed. The Europeans seek to appease Saddam Hussein and other threats to the Western world while blaming Israel, not the Palestinian Authority, for the crisis. All while they minimize the extent of anti-Semitism in Europe and fail to immediately condemn horrific acts of harassment and vandalism. The message to Europe's burgeoning immigrant population is that there is a certain level of acceptance for intolerance.

It is time for Europe to assume responsibility for a situation of its own making. The combination of significant, openly expressed anti-Jewish bias together with irrational anti-Israel opinions creates a climate of great concern for the Jews of Europe. It is not surprising that in such an atmosphere Muslim residents feel free to attack Jewish students and religious institutions not because they are Israelis but because they are Jews. And it is not surprising that some European officials have begun telling Jewish leaders to advise their numbers to avoid public displays of Jewishness, instead of promising to protect their Jewish communities.

European leaders and officials must see what is going on for what it is—outright anti-Semitism—and condemn the revival of this ancient hatred that had its greatest manifestations on the same continent.

They must acknowledge that the anti-Israel vilification across Western Europe is unacceptable. The recent comparisons of Israelis to Nazis, to Jews as the executors of "massacres" and even as the killers of Christ—these do not fall into the category of legitimate criticism of a sovereign state. They create the very climate that questions the future of Jewish life in Europe.●

PASSING OF JUSTIN W. DART, JR.

● Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, I rise today to give tribute to the memory of Justin W. Dart, Jr., the greatest warrior in the fight for the rights of disabled persons. After nearly half a century of tireless advocacy for the civil rights of oppressed people in America and around the world, my friend Justin Dart passed away on Saturday with his wife and partner Yoshiko Dart at his side.

He was often called the Martin Luther King of the disability rights movement even though he called himself "just a foot soldier for the cause of freedom." Justin received five Presidential appointments, and was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, our Nation's highest civilian honor. And without Justin, the Americans with Disabilities Act would never have become the law of the land. Justin's dedication to his vision of a "revolution of

empowerment" brought together a fragmented community to march for freedom for Americans with disabilities. He taught us that disabled does not mean unable.

When President Bush signed the Americans with Disabilities Act into law and gave the first pen to Justin, he protested the fact that only three disability activists were on the podium, because he believed that the ADA would never have been accomplished without the power of hundreds of people with disabilities who made the difference. When he finally received the Presidential Medal of Freedom, Justin sent out replicas of this award to hundreds of disability rights activists across the country, writing that "this award belongs to you."

Even in his final words to us he talks of the power and importance of equal rights for all people. Disabled people across the country and around the world owe a great debt to Justin Dart for his love and his commitment to Justice. He is a hero not just to those with disabilities, but to all of us who learned from him and served with him in the great causes he inspired.

As President Kennedy once said, "As the dust of centuries has passed over our cities, we too will be remembered, not for our victories or defeats in battle or in politics, but for our contribution to the human spirit." Justin Dart brought the human spirit of the disability movement to life, and his spirit will live on through the lives of those he touched.●

HEROES OF OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM

● Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I am pleased to insert in the RECORD the heroic accounts of the 354th Wing and 18th Fighter Squadron at Eielson Air Force Base in Anchorage, AK, for the vital role they played in Operation Enduring Freedom.

The accounts that follow describe the daring mission of three pilots who were involved in a difficult rescue operation. Both Alaska, and the Nation, appreciate and honor their heroism that helped to save lives. I, along with my fellow colleagues, am extremely proud of our men and women who are at this very moment, much like the 354th Wing and 18th Fighter Squadron were doing, defending freedom and democracy around the world.

Today we are a nation at war. A war against the evil of terrorism. Make no mistake, there are evil people in this world. There are people whose sole purpose on this earth is to harm and kill innocent people. Let us not forget what happened in our country just a short time ago. America's freedom, our freedom, the freedom of this Chamber and of millions of people all over the world, are protected by the men and women who serve in the armed forces.

It is with utmost respect and appreciation that I share the heroic events that took place during Operation En-

during Freedom. But before I do, let me personally comment on why lives were saved based upon the acts of three fine soldiers. It all comes down to training. Our military has an extraordinary ability to prepare our soldiers for battle. Our soldiers are the best in the world. I commend the armed forces for preparing our soldiers for battle and for bringing them home safely. It is no coincidence that our soldiers, who face grave and dire situations, prevail.

Thirty nine lives were saved because of the actions of Lieutenant Colonel Burt A. Bartley, Captain James R. Sears, Jr. and Captain Andrew J. Lipina. The tale of this mission surely seems unreal. A MH-47 helicopter was shot out of the sky. The enemy was fast closing on the downed helicopter where 10 injured soldiers were in need of immediate medical attention. Time was of the essence. Instantly, a rescue operation was put into motion. And this was no simple rescue.

When the enemy is armed and looking to kill, it is imperative that all available resources are put to their maximum utilization. After all available artillery were depleted, a 500 pound bomb was dropped within 100 meters of the crash site, creating a barrier between the wounded soldiers and the advancing enemy. 100 meters, the length of a football field. This allowed the rescue operation to be successfully carried out. As you will read, this was America at its best. I applaud the heroism and bravery of all those involved in this daring rescue.

I ask that the summary of the heroic actions of the 354th Wing and 18th Fighter Squadron at Eielson Air Force Base, be printed in the RECORD.

The material follows:

CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE SILVER STAR TO BURT A. BARTLEY

Lieutenant Colonel Burt A. Bartley distinguished himself by heroism and courageous action as F-16CG flight lead, 18 Fighter Squadron, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM. Upon learning of a downed MH-47 helicopter, Lieutenant Colonel Bartley departed assigned airspace to immediately support the recovery of thirty-nine personnel on board. Enroute to the site, Lieutenant Colonel Bartley established deconfliction with two Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) and two F-15Es near the crash site to provide maximum support to the rescue effort. With the F-15Es out of ammunition, Lieutenant Colonel Bartley immediately employed 20mm cannon fire to neutralize the enemy troops that were directly firing upon the survivors. He made two strafing runs with little regard for his own safety into rapidly rising mountainous terrain, and directly in the face of the same small arms fire that downed the helicopter. He then provided a rapid talk-on to his wingman, who was experiencing radio problems, to suppress the advancing enemy troops. His skill and determination forced the enemy troops to stop the attack on the downed helicopter crew and friendly forces and concentrate on digging in for cover approximately 50 meters from the crashed MH-47. After expending all 500 rounds of 20mm ammunition he stayed with the Ground Forward Air Controller (GFAC) on the radio while his wingman passed all critical information to command and control assets and

located the tanker. His actions resulted in the flight's ability to maintain continuous contact with the GFAC and continue to threaten the advancing enemy forces for over two and a half hours. Upon returning to the crash site, the GFAC reported that the previously pinned down enemy had begun to close in on their position again. After his wingman had verified from command and control that no other airborne assets had 20mm or light ordnance, Lieutenant Colonel Bartley informed the GFAC of the impending danger and at the GFAC's request dropped 500 pound bombs within 100 meters of the crash site in order to keep the enemy forces at bay. Meanwhile, a second GFAC reported two more critically wounded soldiers requiring immediate evacuation. Lieutenant Colonel Bartley pinned down the enemy, and directed his wingman to coordinate for the air evacuation. He offered to escort the helicopters through the area with numerous small arms threats and Rocket Propelled Grenads. His quick thinking and superior coordination allowed friendly forces to maintain a secure location in extremely close proximity to the impact points and undoubtedly saved the lives of 21 uninjured survivors and 10 wounded in the crash site, and enabled the safe recovery of all 39 Americans. The undaunted leadership, extreme heroism and courageous actions of Lieutenant Colonel Bartley are consistent with the highest traditions of the United States Air Force.

ANDREW J. LIPINA: DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS NARRATIVE

Captain Andrew J. Lipina distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism and gallantry in action as F-16CG fighter pilot, 18th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM. During the third day of Operation ANACONDA, Captain Lipina learned of a downed MH-47 helicopter with the survivors actively taking fire, and departed assigned airspace to immediately support the recovery effort. Thirty-nine personnel were on board when a Rocket Propelled Grenade (RPG) attack disabled their aircraft. Enroute to the site Captain Lipina quickly took control of external communication and coordinated with command and control assets to relocate air refueling tanker assets to support the rescue effort. He further deconflicted with two Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) and two F-15Es near the crash site. His formation quickly coordinated with the Ground Forward Air Controller (GFAC) to establish situational awareness. With the F-15E out of ammunition, Captain Lipina immediately employed 20mm cannon fire to neutralize the enemy troops that were directly firing upon the survivors from within 100 meters. He made two strafing runs, each closer to the crash site than the previous, with little regard for his own safety in order to help protect them from being overrun. These strafing passes were not only into rapidly rising mountainous terrain, but also directly in the face of the same small arms that downed the helicopter. His skill and determination forced the enemy troops to stop the attack on the downed helicopter crew and friendly forces and concentrate on digging in under the cover of a tree located approximately 50 meters from the crashed MH-47. After expending all 500 rounds of 20mm ammunition he coordinated with command and control assets to inform them of the disposition of friendly casualties and the location of their tanker. With their assigned tanker experiencing an air-refueling malfunction, Captain Lipina rapidly pointed the formation to the next closest tanker and masterfully coordinated to move it toward the crash site. Upon returning to the crash site from air refueling, the GFAC reported that the previously