

(Treaty Doc. 107-8), taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S3128-46**

Withdrawn:

Durbin Ex. Amendment No. 250, to provide an additional condition. **Pages S3145-46**

Senate will resume consideration of the Treaty if the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Miguel Estrada (listed-above) fails. **Page S3205**

Messages From the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the Periodic Report on Telecommunications Payments Made to Cuba pursuant to Treasury Department Specific Licenses; to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-20) **Page S3160**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Roland W. Bullen, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador to the Co-operative Republic of Guyana.

Wayne E. Neill, of Nevada, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Benin.

Stephen D. Mull, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Lithuania.

Diane M. Stuart, of Utah, to be Director of the Violence Against Women Office, Department of Justice. (New Position)

Michael Chertoff, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit.

Richard C. Wesley, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit.

Stephen C. Robinson, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

P. Kevin Castel, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

Samuel Der-Yeghiayan, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois. **Page S3205**

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Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:14 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, March 6, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3205.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: ARMY CIVIL WORKS PROGRAM/BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development concluded hearings to examine the proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2004 for the Army Corps of Engineers and Bureau of Reclamation energy and water development programs, after receiving testimony from Les Brownlee, Under Secretary of the Army and Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works; Lieutenant General Robert B. Flowers, Chief of Engineers, and Major General Robert H. Griffin, Director of Civil Works, both of the United States Army Corps of Engineers; and Bennett W. Raley, Assistant Secretary for Water and Science, and John W. Keys, III, Commissioner, United States Bureau of Reclamation, both of the Department of the Interior.

SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Committee on Appropriations: On Tuesday, March 4, Committee announced the following subcommittee assignments:

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies: Senators Bennett (Chairman), Cochran, Specter, Bond, McConnell, Burns, Craig, Brownback, Kohl, Harkin, Dorgan, Feinstein, Durbin, Johnson, and Landrieu.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary: Senators Gregg (Chairman), Stevens, Domenici, McConnell, Hutchison, Campbell, Brownback, Hollings, Inouye, Mikulski, Leahy, Kohl, and Murray.

Subcommittee on Defense: Senators Stevens (Chairman), Cochran, Specter, Domenici, Bond, McConnell, Shelby, Gregg, Hutchison, Burns, Inouye, Hollings, Byrd, Leahy, Harkin, Dorgan, Durbin, Reid, and Feinstein.

Subcommittee on District of Columbia: Senators DeWine (Chairman), Hutchison, Brownback, Landrieu, and Durbin.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development: Senators Domenici (Chairman), Cochran, McConnell, Bennett, Burns, Craig, Bond, Reid, Byrd, Hollings, Murray, Dorgan, and Feinstein.

Subcommittee on Foreign Operations: McConnell (Chairman), Specter, Gregg, Shelby, Bennett, Campbell, Bond, DeWine, Leahy, Inouye, Harkin, Mikulski, Durbin, Johnson, and Landrieu.

Subcommittee on Homeland Security: Senators Cochran (Chairman), Stevens, Specter, Domenici, McConnell, Shelby, Gregg, Campbell, Craig, Byrd, Inouye, Hollings, Leahy, Harkin, Mikulski, Kohl, and Murray.

Subcommittee on Interior: Senators Burns (Chairman), Stevens, Cochran, Domenici, Bennett, Gregg, Campbell, Brownback, Dorgan, Byrd, Leahy, Hollings, Reid, Feinstein, and Mikulski.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education: Senators Specter (Chairman) Cochran, Gregg, Hutchison, Craig, Stevens, DeWine, Shelby, Harkin, Hollings, Inouye, Reid, Kohl, Murray, and Landrieu.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch: Senators Campbell (Chairman), Bennett, Stevens, Durbin, and Johnson.

Subcommittee on Military Construction: Senators Hutchison (Chairman), Burns, Craig, DeWine, Brownback, Feinstein, Inouye, Johnson, and Landrieu.

Subcommittee on Transportation, Treasury and General Government: Senators Shelby (Chairman), Specter, Bond, Bennett, Campbell, Hutchison, DeWine, Brownback, Murray, Byrd, Mikulski, Reid, Kohl, Durbin, and Dorgan.

Subcommittee on VA-HUD-Independent Agencies: Senators Bond (Chairman), Burns, Shelby, Craig, Domenici, DeWine, Hutchison, Mikulski, Leahy, Harkin, Byrd, Johnson, and Reid.

Senators Stevens and Byrd are Ex Officio Members of all the Subcommittees.

E-911 IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications concluded hearings to examine the implementation of enhanced 911 (E-911) services for wireless telephones and technology, public safety communications, after receiving testimony from Senator Clinton; Representatives Shimkus and Eshoo; Kathleen Q. Abernathy, and Jonathan S. Adelstein, each a Commissioner, Federal Communications Commission; New York State Assemblyman David Koon, Albany; Jenny Hansen, State of Montana Public Safety Services Office, Helena; John Melcher, Greater Harris County 911 Emergency Network, Houston, Texas, on behalf of the National Emergency Number Association; Thera Bradshaw, City of Los Angeles Information Technology Agency, California, on behalf of the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials International; Michael Amarosa, TruePosition, Inc.,

New York, New York; S. Mark Tuller, Verizon Wireless, Bedminster, New Jersey.

TRADE AGENDA

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine the Administration's Trade Agenda, focusing on a strategy to promote global economic growth through an open and free world trading system, including issues relating to Trade Promotion Authority (TPA), the World Trade Organization (WTO), and free trade agreements, receiving testimony from Robert B. Zoellick, United States Trade Representative.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Daniel Pearson, of Minnesota, and Charlotte A. Lane, of West Virginia, both to be Members of the United States International Trade Commission.

TURKISH AID

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on Turkish aid negotiations and developments in northern Iraq from Beth Jones, Assistant Secretary for European Affairs, Earl Anthony Wayne, Assistant Secretary for Economic and Business Affairs, and Ryan C. Crocker, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Near Eastern Affairs, all of the Department of State.

Committee recessed subject to call.

TREATIES

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Convention Between the Government of the United States Of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and on Capital Gains (Treaty Doc. 107-19), the Protocol Amending the Convention Between the Government of the United States Of America and the Government of Australia for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income (Treaty Doc. 107-20), and the Second Additional Protocol that Modifies the Convention Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Mexican States for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income (Treaty Doc. 108-3), after receiving testimony from David Noren, Legislation Counsel, Joint Committee on Taxation; Barbara M. Angus, International Tax Counsel, Department of

the Treasury; and William A. Reinsch, National Foreign Trade Council, Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 380, to amend chapter 83 of title 5, United States Code, to reform the funding of benefits under the Civil Service Retirement System for employees of the United States Postal Service, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Janet Hale, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Management, and Linda M. Springer, of Pennsylvania, to be Controller, Office of Federal Financial Management, Office of Management and Budget.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Ross Owen Swimmer, of Oklahoma, to be Special Trustee, Office of Special Trustee for American Indians, Department of the Interior.

2004 BUDGET: INDIAN PROGRAMS

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2004 for Indian programs, after receiving testimony from Charles Louis

Kincannon, Director, U.S. Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce; Aurene Martin, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; William Russell, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for Public and Indian Housing; Victoria Vasques, Director of the Office of Indian Education, Department of Education; and Charles W. Grim, Interim Director, Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services.

ASBESTOS LITIGATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings to examine the asbestos litigation crisis, and its economic issues including the costs of settlements and judgments, possible reforms, and the need to compensate victims of asbestos-related disease, after receiving testimony from Senators Baucus and Voinovich; David Austern, Manville Personal Injury Settlement Trust, Fairfax, Virginia, Dennis Archer, American Bar Association, and Jonathan Hiatt, American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO), both of Washington, D.C.; Steven Kazan, Kazan, McClain, Edises, Abrams, Fernandez, Lyons, and Farrise, Oakland, California; Melvin McCandless, Williamston, North Carolina; and Brian Harvey, Vashon, Washington.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 30 public bills, H.R. 1079–1108; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 78; and H. Res. 123–125, 127–129 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 239, to facilitate the provision of assistance by the Department of Housing and Urban Development for the cleanup and economic redevelopment of brownfields (H. Rept. 108–22);

H.R. 878, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a special rule for members of the uniformed services and Foreign Service in determining the exclusion of gain from the sale of a principal residence and to restore the tax exempt status of death gratuity payments to members of the uniformed services, amended (H. Rept. 108–23);

H.R. 361, to designate certain conduct by sports agents relating to the signing of contracts with stu-

dent athletes as unfair and deceptive acts or practices to be regulated by the Federal Trade Commission referred sequentially to the House Committee on the Judiciary for a period ending not later than June 1, 2003 for consideration of such provisions of the bill as fall within the jurisdiction of that committee pursuant to clause 1(k), rule X. (H. Rept. 108–24, Pt. 1); and

H. Res. 126, providing for consideration of H.R. 878, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a special rule for members of the uniformed services and Foreign Service in determining the exclusion of gain from the sale of a principal residence and to restore the tax exempt status of death gratuity payments to members of the uniformed services (H. Rept. 108–25).

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Tuesday, March 4 by yeas and nays vote of 373 yeas to 39 nays, Roll No. 43. Page H1523