

Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics; Claude M. Bolton, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics; Donald A. Mahley, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of Arms Control; Dale E. Klein, Assistant to the Secretary of Defense, Nuclear and Chemical and Biological Defense Programs.

UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND EXEMPTION

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 241, to amend section 254 of the Communications Act of 1934 to provide that funds received as universal service contributions and the universal service support programs established pursuant to that section are not subject to certain provisions of title 31, United States Code, commonly known as the Antideficiency Act, after receiving testimony from Austin C. Schlick, Acting General Counsel, and Lisa Gelb, Deputy Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, both of the Federal Communications Com-

mission; Patricia A. Dalton, Managing Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, Government Accountability Office; Brian L. Talbott, Universal Service Administrative Company, Denver, Colorado; Sheryl Abshire, Calcasieu Parish Public Schools, Lake Charles, Louisiana; and Steve Hamlen, United Utilities, Inc., Anchorage, Alaska.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee began a hearing to examine the nominations of John Robert Bolton, of Maryland, to be U.S. Representative to United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador and U.S. Representative in the Security Council of the United Nations, and Representative to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, where the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

Hearings will continue tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12 for Morning Hour debate, and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 2005

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2006 for the Department of Agriculture, 9:30 a.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services: to receive a closed briefing regarding assessment of Iraqi Security Forces, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

Subcommittee on SeaPower, to hold closed hearings to examine Navy shipbuilding and industrial base status in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2006; to be followed by an open hearing in SR-232A, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Michael D.

Griffin, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Joseph H. Boardman, of New York, to be Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, Nancy Ann Nord, of the District of Columbia, to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, and William Cobey, of North Carolina, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, 10:15 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine developing a reliable supply of oil from domestic oil shale and oil sands resources, focusing on opportunities to advance technology that will facilitate environmentally friendly development of oil shale and oil sands resources, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine management and planning issues for the National Mall, including the history of the development, security projects and other planned construction, and future development plans, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to continue hearings to examine the nominations of John Robert Bolton, of Maryland, to be U.S. Representative to United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador and U.S. Representative in the Security Council of the United Nations, and Representative to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of John D. Negroponte, of New