

the Senate by Mrs. Neiman, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### TRANSMITTING CERTIFICATION THAT THE EXPORT OF CERTAIN MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT FOR PRODUCTION OF NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS IS NOT DETRIMENTAL TO THE U.S. SPACE LAUNCH INDUSTRY AND WILL NOT MEASURABLY IMPROVE MISSILE OR SPACE LAUNCH CAPABILITIES OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA—PM-58

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with accompanying papers; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

*To the Congress of the United States:*

In accordance with the provisions of section 1512 of the Strom Thurmond National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999 (Public Law 105-261), I hereby certify that the export of 22 accelerometers for incorporation into railway geometry measurement systems and one 20-inch fluid energy mill for production of nutritional supplements is not detrimental to the United States space launch industry, and that the material and equipment, including any indirect technical benefit that could be derived from such exports, will not measurably improve the missile or space launch capabilities of the People's Republic of China.

GEORGE W. BUSH.  
THE WHITE HOUSE, July 22, 2008.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

#### ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD) reported that he had signed the following enrolled bills, which were previously signed by the Speaker of the House:

H.R. 3564. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Administrative Conference of the United States through fiscal year 2011, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3985. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Transportation to register a person providing transportation by an over-the-road bus as a motor carrier of passengers only if the person is willing and able to comply with certain accessibility requirements in addition to other existing requirements, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4289. An act to name the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Ponce, Puerto Rico, as the "Euripides Rubio Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic".

S. 231. An act to authorize the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program at fiscal year 2006 levels through 2012.

S. 2607. An act to make a technical correction to section 3009 of the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005.

S. 3145. An act to designate a portion of United States Route 20A, located in Orchard Park, New York, as the "Timothy J. Russert Highway".

S. 3218. An act to extend the pilot program for volunteer groups to obtain criminal history background checks.

#### MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 3297. A bill to advance America's priorities.

#### ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate announced that on today, July 22, 2008, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

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#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 3301. An original bill making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 110-428).

By Mr. INOUE, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 2657. A bill to require the Secretary of Commerce to prescribe regulations to reduce the incidence of vessels colliding with North Atlantic right whales by limiting the speed of vessels, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 110-429).

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. LEVIN for the Committee on Armed Services.

Air Force nomination of Maj. Gen. Jeffrey A. Remington, to be Lieutenant General.

Air Force nomination of Maj. Gen. Jack L. Rives, to be Lieutenant General.

Air Force nomination of Lt. Gen. Donald J. Hoffman, to be General.

Air Force nomination of Brig. Gen. Kelly K. McKeague, to be Major General.

Army nomination of Col. Timothy K. Adams, to be Brigadier General.

Army nomination of Lt. Gen. Ann E. Dunwoody, to be General.

Army nomination of Maj. Gen. David M. Rodriguez, to be Lieutenant General.

Army nomination of Maj. Gen. Edgar E. Stanton III, to be Lieutenant General.

Army nomination of Brig. Gen. Matthew L. Kambic, to be Major General.

Army nomination of Lt. Gen. Martin E. Dempsey, to be General.

Army nomination of Lt. Gen. Carter F. Ham, to be General.

Army nomination of Lt. Gen. Richard P. Zahner, to be Lieutenant General.

Army nomination of Maj. Gen. Robert E. Durbin, to be Lieutenant General.

Army nomination of Lt. Gen. Ronald L. Burgess, Jr., to be Lieutenant General.

Army nomination of Lt. Gen. John F. Kimmons, to be Lieutenant General.

Marine Corps nomination of Maj. Gen. Douglas M. Stone, to be Lieutenant General.

Marine Corps nomination of Maj. Gen. George J. Flynn, to be Lieutenant General.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Colonel Juan G. Ayala and ending with Colonel Glenn M. Walters, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 14, 2008.

Navy nomination of Capt. Cynthia A. Covell, to be Rear Admiral (lower half).

Navy nomination of Capt. Elizabeth S. Niemyer, to be Rear Admiral (lower half).

Navy nomination of Rear Adm. (lh) Robert S. Harward, Jr., to be Vice Admiral.

Navy nomination of Rear Adm. Bruce E. MacDonald, to be Vice Admiral.

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, for the Committee on Armed Services I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORD on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Air Force nomination of Frank J. Hale, to be Colonel.

Air Force nomination of Douglas K. Dunbar, to be Colonel.

Air Force nomination of Tamara A. Herzog, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Air Force nominations beginning with Keri L. Azuar and ending with Pamela P. Warddemo, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on June 26, 2008.

Army nominations beginning with Kenneth L. Beale, Jr. and ending with Thomas H. Brouillard, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on June 19, 2008.

Army nominations beginning with Lenard M. Kerr and ending with Masaki G. Kuwana, Jr., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on June 19, 2008.

Army nominations beginning with Ralf C. Beilhardt and ending with Richard L. Williams, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on June 19, 2008.

Army nominations beginning with Michael P. Abel and ending with Johnnie Wright, Jr., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on June 19, 2008.