

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

75TH ANNIVERSARY OF
HOSTELLING INTERNATIONAL USA

• Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, today I recognize the Hostelling International USA for 75 years of service to intercultural understanding and youth travel.

Hostelling International USA is a nonprofit organization founded in 1934 to promote hostels and hostel-related programs in the United States. Today hostels across the country host nearly 1 million overnight stays by both domestic and foreign travelers. In doing so, it promotes cultural exchange through travel, supports tourism in small and large communities throughout the country, and makes travel available on very limited funds.

Hostels make travel safe and affordable for young and old. Hostelling International boasts more hostel rooms than most hotel chains and offers a unique experience in friendly and varied surroundings. Instead of staying in a standardized hotel room every night, travelers in a hostel have the opportunity to share a meal and engage with fellow travelers from every nation and cultural tradition they can imagine. It is these shared experiences and the unexpected encounter that makes hostelling such a unique and valuable experience for travelers across the country and around the world.

In my home State of New Mexico Hostelling International has operated hostels in Las Vegas, Silver City, Truth or Consequences, and Datil. Today their hostel in Taos offers travelers the opportunity to experience the majestic beauty of the New Mexico landscape and the unique culture of Taos pueblo, as well as a little celebrity sighting. These hostels have exposed New Mexico to a variety of travelers who, I am certain, will never forget their experiences in the Land of Enchantment.

I commend Hostelling International for their work in the last 75 years and hope that they look forward to at least another 75 years with an increasing number of hostels and travelers around the world. •

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:34 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. R. 738. An act to encourage States to report to the Attorney General certain information regarding the deaths of individuals in the custody of law enforcement agencies, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H. R. 738. An act to encourage States to report to the Attorney General certain information regarding the deaths of individuals in the custody of law enforcement agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. DORGAN, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

S. Res. 28. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment:

S. Res. 30. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF
COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. LEVIN for the Committee on Armed Services.

*Michele A. Flournoy, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Policy.

*Robert F. Hale, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller).

*Jeh Charles Johnson, of New York, to be General Counsel of the Department of Defense.

*William J. Lynn, III, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Secretary of Defense.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND
JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 384. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2010 through 2014 to provide assistance to foreign countries to promote food security, to stimulate rural economies, and to improve emergency response to food crises, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. CARPER, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 385. A bill to reaffirm and clarify the authority of the Comptroller General to audit and evaluate the programs, activities, and financial transactions of the intelligence community, and for other purposes; to the Select Committee on Intelligence.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. KAUFMAN):

S. 386. A bill to improve enforcement of mortgage fraud, securities fraud, financial institution fraud, and other frauds related to federal assistance and relief programs, for the recovery of funds lost to these frauds, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DURBIN:

S. 387. A bill to designate the United States courthouse located at 211 South Court

Street, Rockford, Illinois, as the "Stanley J. Roszkowski United States Courthouse"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. BOND, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. REED, Mr. KERRY, Mr. ENZI, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. COBURN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. BURR, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. HATCH, and Mr. BARRASSO):

S. 388. A bill to extend the termination date for the exemption of returning workers from the numerical limitations for temporary workers; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BENNETT:

S. 389. A bill to establish a conditional stay of the ban on lead in children's products, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. CRAPO (for himself, Mr. REID, Mr. BAUCUS, and Mr. TESTER):

S. 390. A bill to expand the authority of the Secretary of the Air Force to convey certain relocatable military housing units to Indian tribes located in Idaho and Nevada; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. INOUE, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. ALEXANDER, and Mr. MERKLEY):

S. 391. A bill to provide affordable, guaranteed private health coverage that will make Americans healthier and can never be taken away; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND
SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. DORGAN:

S. Res. 28. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs; from the Committee on Indian Affairs; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. SPECTER:

S. Res. 29. A resolution to limit consideration of amendments under a budget resolution; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. Res. 30. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Foreign Affairs; from the Committee on Foreign Relations; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 144

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN), the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) and the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 144, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to remove cell phones from listed property under section 280F.

S. 298

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 298, a bill to establish a Financial Markets Commission, and for other purposes.

S. 381

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 381, a bill to express the policy of the United States regarding the United States relationship with Native Hawaiians, to provide a process for the reorganization of a Native Hawaiian and the recognition by the United States of the Native Hawaiian government, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 20

At the request of Mr. VOINOVICH, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN), the Senator from Indiana (Mr. LUGAR), the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO), the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) and the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 20, a resolution celebrating the 60th anniversary of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

AMENDMENT NO. 114

At the request of Mr. BAYH, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 114 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 127

At the request of Mr. UDALL of Colorado, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 127 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 187

At the request of Mr. TESTER, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 187 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 189

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the names of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI) and the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. BUNNING) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 189 proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 196

At the request of Mr. UDALL of Colorado, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 196 intended to

be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 197

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the names of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) and the Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 197 proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 199

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the names of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN), the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 199 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 216

At the request of Mr. SANDERS, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 216 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 218

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 218 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 220

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the names of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) and the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 220 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal

stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 229

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN) and the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 229 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 233

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 233 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 234

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 234 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 235

At the request of Mr. UDALL of Colorado, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 235 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 236

At the request of Mr. UDALL of Colorado, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 236 proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 240

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 240 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and

science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 243

At the request of Mr. BUNNING, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 243 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 250

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 250 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 250 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, *supra*.

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 250 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, *supra*.

AMENDMENT NO. 274

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN), the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER), the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) and the Senator from Colorado (Mr. UDALL) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 274 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 275

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 275 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 281

At the request of Mr. BAYH, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 281 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preserva-

tion and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 326

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 326 proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 335

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 335 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 344

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 344 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 353

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. JOHANNIS) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 353 proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

AMENDMENT NO. 359

At the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 359 proposed to H.R. 1, a bill making supplemental appropriations for job preservation and creation, infrastructure investment, energy efficiency and science, assistance to the unemployed, and State and local fiscal stabilization, for fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 384. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2010 through 2014 to provide assistance to foreign countries to promote food security, to stimulate rural economies, and to improve emergency response to food crises, to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Mr. LUGAR. Mr. President, I am pleased today to announce the introduction of the Global Food Security Act of 2009. I would like to thank my friend Senator CASEY for lending his ideas and support to this bipartisan effort, and Senator DURBIN for his early cosponsorship. Finally, I want to thank the members of USAID's informal food security team, who advised us on the nature of food insecurity and possible legislative solutions.

As we know, food prices started a steep climb in the fall of 2007 and continued to increase during 2008. The increases pushed an additional 75 million people into poverty. While prices have abated somewhat, millions of people still face difficulty in food access and availability, and malnutrition rates in many parts of the world remain alarmingly high. The price crisis demonstrated that there are significant structural challenges to attaining global food security. The system is vulnerable to periodic disruptions that both expose and exacerbate deeper problems.

We live in a world where nearly one billion people suffer from chronic food insecurity. When droughts occur, hurricanes hit, or other disruptions arise—creating transitory food insecurity—the economic prospects of those living in or near poverty are gravely threatened. In fact, the World Food Program reports that 25,000 people die each day from malnutrition-related causes. Health experts advise us that a diverse and secure food supply has major health benefits, including increasing child survival, improving cognitive and physical development of children, and increasing immune system function including resistance to HIV/AIDS. Prolonged malnutrition in children results in stunting and cognitive difficulties that last a lifetime.

Food insecurity is a global tragedy, but it is also an opportunity for the United States. The United States is the indisputable world leader in agricultural production and technology. A more focused effort on our part to join with other nations to increase yields, create economic opportunities for the rural poor, and broaden agricultural knowledge could begin a new era in U.S. diplomacy. Such an effort could improve our broader trade relations and serve as a model for similar endeavors in the areas of energy and scientific cooperation. Achieving food security for all people also would have profound implications for peace and U.S. national security. Hungry people are desperate people, and desperation often sows the seeds of conflict and extremism.

The United States has always stood for big ideas—from the founding of the