

Whereas President Ahmadinejad stated on October 26, 2005, that “The skirmishes in the occupied land are part of a war of destiny. The outcome of hundreds of years of war will be defined in Palestinian land. As the Imam said, Israel must be wiped off the map”;

Whereas President Ahmadinejad stated on December 14, 2005, that “They have invented a myth that Jews were massacred and place this above God, religions and the prophets”;

Whereas President Ahmadinejad stated on December 14, 2005, that “If you have burned the Jews, why don’t you give a piece of Europe, the United States, Canada or Alaska to Israel. Our question is, if you have committed this huge crime, why should the innocent nation of Palestine pay for this crime?”;

Whereas President Ahmadinejad stated on February 11, 2006, that “The real Holocaust is what is happening in Palestine where the Zionists avail themselves of the fairy tale of Holocaust as blackmail and justification for killing children and women and making innocent people homeless”;

Whereas President Ahmadinejad stated on February 11, 2006, that “We ask the West to remove what they created sixty years ago and if they do not listen to our recommendations, then the Palestinian nation and other nations will eventually do this for them”;

Whereas President Ahmadinejad stated on February 11, 2006, “Remove Israel before it is too late and save yourself from the fury of regional nations”;

Whereas President Ahmadinejad stated on April 15, 2006, that “Whether you like it or not, the Zionist regime is heading toward annihilation. The Zionist regime is a rotten, dried tree that will be eliminated by one storm”;

Whereas President Ahmadinejad stated on April 24, 2006, that “We say that this fake regime cannot logically continue to live”;

Whereas President Ahmadinejad stated on May 11, 2006, that “The West claims that more than six million Jews were killed in World War II and to compensate for that they established and support Israel. If it is true that the Jews were killed in Europe, why should Israel be established in the East, in Palestine?”;

Whereas President Ahmadinejad stated on December 12, 2006, that “Thanks to people’s wishes and God’s will the trend for the existence of the Zionist regime is downwards and this is what God has promised and what all nations want . . . Just as the Soviet Union was wiped out and today does not exist, so will the Zionist regime soon be wiped out”;

Whereas President Ahmadinejad stated on June 3, 2007, that “With God’s help, the countdown button for the destruction of the Zionist regime has been pushed by the hands of the children of Lebanon and Palestine . . . By God’s will, we will witness the destruction of this regime in the near future”;

Whereas President Ahmadinejad stated on September 12, 2007, that “We do not accept or officially recognize Israel. They are occupiers and illegitimate”;

Whereas President Ahmadinejad stated on January 30, 2008, “I advise you to abandon the filthy Zionist entity which has reached the end of the line. It has lost its reason to be and will sooner or later fall”: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) condemns in the strongest possible terms President of Iran Mahmoud Ahmadinejad’s hateful and anti-Semitic statements regarding the State of Israel and the Holocaust; and

(2) calls on all member States of the United Nations to publicly condemn President Ahmadinejad’s statements as a violation of the principles of both the United Na-

tions Charter and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I rise today with my colleague Senator LAUTENBERG of New Jersey to introduce a resolution condemning the comments made by Iranian President Ahmadinejad on Israel and the Holocaust.

For too long, the civilized world has remained silent while the leader of Iran has threatened Israel’s survival and denied the existence of the Holocaust. Since the inception of his term in office in 2005, President Ahmadinejad has continually been the mouthpiece for the vilest, most base examples of anti-Semitism and hate. Standing against this ceaselessly hostile rhetoric and threats, the State of Israel should be afforded the full support of the United States and the international community. President Ahmadinejad’s denial of the Holocaust—one of the most appalling crimes against humanity the world has ever known—is likewise unacceptable and outrageous. My colleagues and I condemn these comments in the strongest possible terms, and call for all the civilized nations of the world to do likewise.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 4018. Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself and Mr. BOND) proposed an amendment to amendment SA 3911 proposed by Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself and Mr. BOND) to the bill S. 2248, to amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978, to modernize and streamline the provisions of that Act, and for other purposes.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

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On page 7, beginning on line 14, strike “, consistent with the requirements of section 101(h) or section 301(4), minimization procedures” and insert “minimization procedures that meet the definition of minimization procedures under section 101(h) or section 301(4)”.

On page 8, line 13, strike “168 hours” and insert “7 days”.

On page 26, beginning on line 22, strike “consistent with the requirements of section 101(h) or section 301(4)” and insert “that meet the definition of minimization procedures under section 101(h) or section 301(4)”.

On page 32, line 3, strike “subsection (2)” and insert “subsection (b)”.

On page 35, line 6, strike “obtained;” and insert “obtained.”

On page 35, line 18, strike “168 hours” and insert “7 days”.

On page 35, line 24, strike “subsection” and insert “section”.

On page 36, line 6, strike “168 hours” and insert “7 days”.

On page 36, line 16, strike “168-hour” and insert “7-day”.

On page 40, beginning on line 16, strike “consistent with the requirements of section 101(h) or section 301(4)” and insert “that meet the definition of minimization procedures under section 101(h) or section 301(4)”.

On page 44, line 15, strike “clause” and insert “subparagraph”.

On page 45, line 15, strike “obtained;” and insert “obtained.”

On page 46, line 2, strike “168 hours” and insert “7 days”.

On page 46, line 8, strike “subsection” and insert “section”.

On page 46, lines 14 and 15, strike “168 hours” and insert “7 days”.

On page 46, line 24, strike “168-hour” and insert “7-day”.

On page 48, beginning on line 13, strike “orders under section 704(b) or section 705(b)” and insert “orders under section 704(c) or section 705(c)”.

On page 54, beginning on line 22, strike “during the period such directive was in effect” and insert “for information, facilities, or assistance provided during the period such directive was or is in effect”.

On page 60, line 4, strike “reasonably”.

On page 60, line 5, strike “determines” and insert “reasonably determines”.

On page 60, line 10, strike “determines” and insert “reasonably determines”.

On page 60, lines 20 and 21, strike “168 hours” and insert “7 days”.

On page 61, line 7, strike “168 hours” and insert “7 days”.

On page 65, line 6, strike “168 hours” and insert “7 days”.

On page 65, lines 16 and 17, strike “168 hours” and insert “7 days”.

On page 67, line 2, strike “168 hours” and insert “7 days”.

On page 67, line 4, strike “168 hours” and insert “7 days”.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that an oversight hearing has been scheduled before the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. The hearing will be held on Tuesday, February 26, 2008, at 10 a.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The purpose of this oversight hearing is to receive testimony on U.S. oil inventory policies, including the Strategic Petroleum Reserve policies.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record may do so by sending it to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, Washington, DC 20510-6150, or by e-mail to Rosemarie_Calabro@energy.senate.gov

For further information, please contact Tara Billingsley at (202) 224-4756 or Rosemarie Calabro at (202) 224-5039.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a nomination hearing has been scheduled before the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will be held on Wednesday, February 27, 2008, at 9:45 a.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The purpose of the hearing is to consider two nominations: Stanley C. Suboleski, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Fossil Energy), vice Jeffrey D. Jarrett, resigned; and, J. Gregory Copeland, of Texas, to be General Counsel of the Department of Energy, vice David R. Hill.

For further information, please contact Sam Fowler at (202) 224-7571 or Rosemarie Calabro at (202) 224-5039.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce that the Committee on Indian Affairs will meet on Thursday, February 14, at 9:30 a.m. in room 628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building to conduct an oversight hearing on the President's fiscal year 2009 budget request for tribal programs.

Those wishing additional information may contact the Indian Affairs Committee at (202) 224-2251.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. ROCKEFELLER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, February 12, 2008, at 9:30 a.m., in open and closed session to receive testimony on Air Force nuclear security.

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

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. ROCKEFELLER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, in order to conduct a hearing entitled: "Addressing Healthcare Workforce Issues For the Future."

The hearing will take place on Tuesday, February 12, 2008, at 2:30 p.m. in room 106 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. ROCKEFELLER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, in order to conduct a hearing entitled "Judicial Nominations" on Tuesday, February 12, 2008, at 2:30 p.m., in room SR-301 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

Witness list

James Randal Hall to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Georgia, Richard H. Honaker to be United States District Judge for the District of Wyoming, Gustavus Adolphus Puryear, IV to be United States District Judge for the

Middle District of Tennessee, and Brian Stacy Miller to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas.

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

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. ROCKEFELLER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 12, 2008, at 2:30 p.m., in order to hold a closed hearing.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON CRIME AND DRUGS

Mr. ROCKEFELLER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, in order to conduct a hearing entitled "Federal Cocaine Sentencing Laws: Reforming the 100-to-1 Crack/Powder Disparity" on Tuesday, February 12, 2008, at 2:30 p.m., in the Dirksen Senate Office Building, room 226.

Witness list

John Richter, United States Attorney, Western District of Oklahoma, U.S. Department of Justice; The Honorable Ricardo H. Hinojosa, Chair, U.S. Sentencing Commission, Washington, DC; The Honorable Reggie B. Walton, United States District Judge, Member, Criminal Law Committee, Federal Judicial Conference, Washington, DC; Nora Volkow, M.D., Director, National Institute on Drug Abuse, U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Washington, DC; and James Felman, Co-Chair, Sentencing Committee, Criminal Justice Section, American Bar Association.

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

MAKING MINORITY PARTY APPOINTMENTS FOR THE 110TH CONGRESS

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 448, which was submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The bill clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 448) making minority party appointments for the 110th Congress.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 448) was agreed to, as follows:

S. RES. 448

Resolved, That the following be the minority membership on the following committee

for the remainder of the 110th Congress, or until their successors are appointed:

Committee on Foreign Relations: Mr. Lugar, Mr. Hagel, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Corker, Mr. Voinovich, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. DeMint, Mr. Isakson, Mr. Vitter, Mr. Barrasso.

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2008

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, February 13; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate proceed to a period of morning business with 1 hour of debate only, equally divided, prior to a cloture vote on the conference report to accompany H.R. 2082, the Intelligence Authorization Act for fiscal year 2008.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, tomorrow, the first vote of the day is expected to occur shortly after 10:30 a.m. on the motion to invoke cloture on the intelligence authorization conference report.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:26 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, February 13, 2008, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

FEDERAL HOSPITAL INSURANCE TRUST FUND

JEFFREY ROBERT BROWN, OF ILLINOIS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE FEDERAL HOSPITAL INSURANCE TRUST FUND FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE THOMAS R. SAVING.

FEDERAL INSURANCE TRUST FUNDS

JEFFREY ROBERT BROWN, OF ILLINOIS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE FEDERAL OLD-AGE AND SURVIVORS INSURANCE TRUST FUND AND THE FEDERAL DISABILITY INSURANCE TRUST FUND FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE THOMAS R. SAVING.

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

HYEPIN CHRISTINE IM, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 6, 2008, VICE HENRY LOZANO, RESIGNED.

HYEPIN CHRISTINE IM, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR A TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 6, 2013. (REAPPOINTMENT)

LAYSHAE WARD, OF MINNESOTA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 27, 2012, VICE MIMI MAGER, TERM EXPIRED.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR LITERACY

PERRI KLASS, OF NEW YORK, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR LITERACY ADVISORY BOARD