grow even more cynical with the revelations that have appeared, some that have come out in driblets and drabs with the delay of the release of this report, despite the fact that there are national security concerns, we do have our own counterintelligence efforts, it appears that in this city, politics is preeminent.

Again let me state this. I take no joy in this. It is mind-boggling, it is disturbing, but every American should ask themselves this question: Have our leaders in the administration been good custodians of the Constitution? Have they provided for the common defense; or, in boastful claims of reinventing government, claiming drawdown, a reduction in government employees, eviscerated our military to the tune of a quarter million personnel, put the American lives at risk who brought us to this? A question not of personal conduct in terms of relationships but of actions taken that jeopardize and threaten the security of every American. That is the juncture at which we find ourselves now.

No one takes joy in this but the strength of the American people is in understanding once a problem has been confronted through our constitutional processes, through the fact that we must all stand at the bar of public opinion and let the public render a judgment, that we can rectify the problem.

Jefferson spoke of it, that the vitality of this country would eventually overcome those who would follow mistaken policies, for whatever reason, and that is the challenge that we confront, not as Democrats or Republicans but as Americans, because nothing less than our national security and our national vitality in the next century is at stake. This is the stark reality that we confront.

That is why all of us who serve in this Chamber, Mr. Speaker, as constitutional officers to provide for the common defense, to provide for our national security, must have answers to these hard questions. And that is why, Mr. Speaker, the Attorney General of the United States should tender her resignation immediately, the National Security Adviser should tender his resignation immediately, and those who are elected officials will have the verdict of history decide but that history and history’s judgment will not be a century away, it will be forthcoming and in short order.

Mr. KINGSTON. Let me just say this. I think the gentleman from Arizona is absolutely right, as certainly Jefferson was, about the vitality of the American people and may they use that strength quickly and decisively on this particular scandal. But we have got to protect our Nation and our national security interest.

That is one reason why this Congress is going to move ahead to make recommendations to get rid of the spies at Los Alamos and anywhere else. But one thing I want to emphasize is that this is a bipartisan effort. That report, the Cox report, passed unanimously from a bipartisan committee. This is not about getting onto the White House. This is about national security. I think that it is very important that we all keep in mind that the Democrats and Republicans on this one are scared to death.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas (at the request of Mr. GEHRARDT) for today on account of official business.

Mr. REYES (at the request of Mr. GEHRARDT) for today on account of official business.

Ms. MILLINDER-McDONALD (at the request of Mr. GEHRARDT) for today on account of official business.

Mr. MCCOLLUM (at the request of Mr. ARMFIELD) for today after 8:00 p.m. and May 26 until 3:00 p.m. on account of family business.

**SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED**

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

The following Members (at the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:

Ms. NORTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. FISK, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. UNDERWOOD, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. CARSON, for 5 minutes, today.

The following Members (at the request of Mr. UDALL of New Mexico) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:

Mr. DIAZ-BALART, for 5 minutes each day, today and on May 26.

Mr. FLETCHER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. JONES of North Carolina, for 5 minutes, today.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. HAYWORTH. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 11 o’clock and 59 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 26, 1999, at 10 a.m.

**EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.**

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker’s table and referred as follows:
and severally referred, as follows:

Mr. YOUNG of Florida: Committee on Appropriations. Report on Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2000 (Rept. 106–163). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mrs. BASS: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 189. Resolution providing for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 1905) making additional and missing persons; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. HERGER (for himself, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. CRANE, Mr. RAMSTAD, Ms. DUNN, Mr. WATKINS, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. WELLER, Mr. FOLEY, and Mr. TANNER): H.R. 1918. A bill to provide for implementation of prohibitions against payment of Social Security benefits to prisoners, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. HERGER (for himself, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. CRANE, Mr. RAMSTAD, Ms. DUNN, Mr. WATKINS, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. WELLER, and Mr. FOLEY): H.R. 1919. A bill to require the Commissioner of Social Security to provide prisoner information obtained from the States to Federal and federally assisted benefit programs as a means of preventing the erroneous provision of benefits to prisoners; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin (for himself and Mr. OBEY): H.R. 1920. A bill to establish a program to provide grants to States for the development of public health dentistry programs in medically underserved areas, health professional shortage areas, and other Federally-defined areas that lack primary dental services; to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. BILBRAY (for himself, Mr. McKEON, Mr. RAMPFEL, Mr. COX, and Mr. EHRLICH): H.R. 1921. A bill to provide that the provision of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 on the wage rates for tipped employees shall not be subject to income or employment taxes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. LOVELACE of Mississippi (for himself, Mr. TANNER of Mississippi, Mr. DENT, Mr. DAVIS of California, Mr. McKEON, Mr. BILBRAY, and Mr. KLEIBER): H.R. 1922. A bill to simplify certain provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for the purposes of consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

Mr. DOOLITTLE (for himself, Mr. DELAY, Mrs. CUSID, Mr. SHADROG, Ms. McINTOSH, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. Dickey, Mr. Paul, Mrs. CHENVORTH, Mr. LARSEN, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mr. Peterson of Pennsylvania, Mr. Knollenberg, Mr. THAFF, Mr. SKENE, Mr. BARE of Georgia, Mr. HANSEN, Mr. CRAITE, Mr. ARMY, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. CANNON, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. McCNINIS, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. LINDER, Mr. SPENCE, Mr. Drezek, Ms. FRYE of Ohio, Mr. POMBO, Mr. RADANOVICH, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. TRAPCAN, Mrs. FOWLER, Mr. WIGGINS, Mr. AMI of Washington, Mr. HIGGON, Mr. COLLINS, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. BAKER, Mr. Sessions, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. COOK, Mr. DUNN, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. ING of Northwood, Mr. PACKARD, Mr. ROHRABACHER, Mr. Tauzein, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. GARY MILLER of California, Mr. McCrery, Mr. McCARTHY of Wisconsin, Mr. JONES of North Carolina, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. COBLE, Mr. BLILY, Mr. SALMON.

Mr. BALLenger, Mr. MICA, Mr. Weldon of Florida, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. ROGAR, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. HAYES, Mr. HOKESTRA, Mr. CALLAHAN, Mr. EVERETT, and Mr. HERGER: H.R. 1924. A bill to prevent Federal agencies from pursuing, litigation of civil suits, unless those nationals assist in the return to the United States of those POW/MIAs alive; to the Committee on International Relations.

Mr. ROHRABACHER, Mr. McCAIN, Mr. MILLER of Pennsylvania, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. ROYBL, Mr. BURTON of Montana, Mr. KELLY of Arizona, Mr. RUPP, Mr. FLETCHER, Mr. FORRIS, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. SHAWS, Mr. Filner, Mr. McCOUILL, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. LUCAS of Kentucky, Mr. McGOVERN, Mr. KING, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. HUNTER, and Mr. HOSTETTLER): H.R. 1925. A bill to prevent Federal agencies from pursuing, litigation of civil suits, unless those nationals assist in the return to the United States of those POW/MIAs alive; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. RUPRINT (for himself, Mr. ROHRABACHER, Mr. McCARTHY of New York, Mr. SHOWS, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. McHUGH, Mr. OGTZ, Mr. SHARPTON, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. ENGLISH, Mr. GREEN of Texas, Mr. WHITFIELD, Mr. GRANGER, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. GUTTENBERG, Mr. DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. GROATTERLY, Mr. FLEETHER, Mr. FORRIS, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. SHAWS, Mr. Filner, Mr. McCOUILL, Mr. HILLEARY, Mr. LUCAS of Kentucky, Mr. McGOVERN, Mr. KING, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. HUNTER, and Mr. HOSTETTLER): H.R. 1926. A bill to provide for the granting of releases of status in the United States to nationals of certain foreign countries in which American Vietnam War POW/MIAs or American Korean War POW/MIAs may be present, if those nationals assist in the return to the United States of those POW/MIAs alive; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on International Relations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

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