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House of Representatives

The House met at 8 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore [Mrs. MORELLA].

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
February 1, 1996.

I hereby designate the Honorable CONSTANCE A. MORELLA to act as Speaker pro tempore on Tuesday, February 6, 1996.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Rev. James David Ford, D.D., offered the following prayer:

In all our days, we pray for faith; in all the hours we yearn for hope; in every moment of our time, we pray that Your presence of love will be in us and with us and about us. O gracious God, from whom we have come and to whom we shall return, bless us, each one, whatever our need in the depths of our hearts and souls. Amen.

ELECTION OF THE HONORABLE CONSTANCE A. MORELLA AS SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE UNTIL NOT LATER THAN TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1996

Mr. DAVIS. Madam Speaker, I offer a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 363

Resolved, That the Honorable CONSTANCE A. MORELLA, a Representative from the State of Maryland, be, and she is hereby, elected Speaker pro tempore during any absence of the Speaker, such authority to continue not later than Tuesday, February 27, 1996.

SEC. 2. The Clerk of the House shall notify the President and the Senate of the election of the Honorable CONSTANCE A. MORELLA as Speaker pro tempore during the absence of the Speaker.

The resolution was agreed to.
A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE CONSTANCE A. MORELLA AS SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE DURING ABSENCE OF THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Virginia [Mr. DAVIS] please come to the well of the House and administer the oath of office.

Mrs. MORELLA took the oath of office administered to her by the gentleman from Virginia [Mr. DAVIS] as follows:

Do you solemnly swear that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion, and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter. So help you God.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

FEBRUARY 6, 1996.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 5 of Rule III of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following messages from the Secretary of the Senate on Friday, February 2, 1996, at 11:30 a.m.: that the Senate passed without amendment H.R. 2924.

With warm regards,

ROBIN H. CARLE,
Clerk, House of Representatives.

SCHEDULE OF ADJOURNMENTS OF THE HOUSE FROM TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1996, TO FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1996, AND MEETING HOUR

Mr. DAVIS. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns on Tuesday, February 6, 1996, it adjourn to meet at 11 a.m. on Friday, February 9, 1996; and further, that when the House adjourns on Friday, February 9, 1996, it adjourn to meet at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, February 13, 1996; and further, that when the House adjourns on Tuesday, February 13, 1996, it adjourn to meet at 11 a.m. on Friday, February 16, 1996; and further, that when the House adjourns on Friday, February 16, 1996, it adjourn to meet at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, February 20, 1996; and further, that when the House adjourns on Tuesday, February 20, 1996, it adjourn to meet at 11 a.m. on Friday, February 23, 1996; and further, that when the House adjourns on Friday, February 23, 1996, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, February 26, 1996, for morning hour debate.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Virginia?

There was no objection.

GRANTING MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE PRIVILEGE TO REVISE AND EXTEND REMARKS IN CONGRESSIONAL RECORD THROUGH MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1996

Mr. DAVIS. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members be permitted to extend their remarks and to include extraneous material in that section of the RECORD entitled "Extension of Remarks" through Monday, February 26, 1996.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Virginia?

There was no objection.

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COMMUNICATION FROM THE
CLERK OF THE HOUSE OF REP-
RESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid be-
fore the House the following commu-
nication from the Clerk of the House of
Representatives:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
Washington, DC, February 5, 1996.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
*Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington,
DC.*

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the per-
mission granted in Clause 5 of Rule III of the
Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I
have the honor to transmit a sealed envelop
received from the White House on Monday,
February 5 at 10:00 a.m. and said to contain
a message from the President whereby he
submits the Budget of the United States
Government for fiscal year 1997.

With warm regards,

ROBIN H. CARLE,
Clerk, House of Representatives.

BUDGET OF THE UNITED STATES
GOVERNMENT, FISCAL 1997—MES-
SAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF
THE UNITED STATES

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid be-
fore the House the following message
from the President of the United
States; which was read and, together
with the accompanying papers, without
objection, referred to the Committee
on Appropriations and ordered to be
printed:

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with 31 U.S.C. §1105(a),
I am transmitting my 1997 Budget to
Congress.

This budget provides a thematic
overview of my priorities as we con-
tinue to discuss how to balance the
budget over the next seven years. It
also includes the Administration's new
economic assumptions.

Because of the uncertainty over 1996
appropriations as well as possible
changes in mandatory programs and
tax policy, the Office of Management
and Budget was not able to provide, by
today, all of the material normally
contained in the President's budget
submission. I anticipate transmitting
that material to Congress the week of
March 18, 1996.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, February 5, 1996.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE
CLERK OF THE HOUSE OF REP-
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
Washington, DC, February 6, 1996.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
*Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington,
DC.*

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the per-
mission granted in Clause 5 of Rule III of the
Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I

have the honor to transmit a sealed envelope
received from the White House on Tuesday,
February 6 at 12:05 p.m. and said to contain
a message from the President whereby he re-
ports that it is in the national interest of the
United States to waive restrictions on the
export of U.S.-origin satellites to the Peo-
ple's Republic of China, specifically restric-
tions on the MABUHAY project.

With warm regards,

ROBIN H. CARLE, *Clerk,
House of Representatives.*

WAIVER OF RESTRICTIONS PER-
TAINING TO MABUHAY PROJECT
ON EXPORT OF UNITED STATES-
ORIGIN SATELLITES TO THE
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid be-
fore the House the following message
from the President of the United
States, which was read and, without
objection, referred to the Committee
on International Relations and ordered
to be printed:

To the Congress of the United States:

Pursuant to the authority vested in
me by section 902(b)(2) of the Foreign
Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal
Years 1990 and 1991 (Public Law 101-
246), and as President of the United
States, I hereby report to the Congress
that it is in the national interest of the
United States to waive the restrictions
contained in that Act on the export to
the People's Republic of China of U.S.-
origin satellites insofar as such restric-
tions pertain to the MABUHAY
project.

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export of U.S.-origin satellites to the Peo-
ple's Republic of China, specifically restric-
tions on the COSAT project.

With warm regards,

ROBIN H. CARLE, *Clerk,
House of Representatives.*

WAIVER OF RESTRICTIONS PER-
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ple's Republic of China, specifically restric-
tions on the CHINASAT project.

With warm regards,

ROBIN H. CARLE, *Clerk,
House of Representatives.*

WAIVER OF RESTRICTIONS PER-
TAINING TO CHINASAT PROJECT
ON EXPORT OF UNITED STATES-
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project.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, February 6, 1996.