

Whereas gaining the support of the people of Okinawa in this process is crucial to effective implementation of the Treaty: Now, therefore, it is the sense of the Senate that:

(1) the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security Between the United States of America and Japan remains vital to American and Japanese security interests as well as the security interests of the nations of the Asia-Pacific region; and

(2) the people of Okinawa deserve special recognition and gratitude for their contributions toward ensuring the Treaty's implementation.

Mr. ROTH. Mr. President, I rise today on behalf of myself and Senators THOMAS and NUNN to submit a sense of the Senate Resolution expressing our gratitude to the Okinawan people for their contributions toward ensuring the viability of Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security between the United States of America and Japan.

Mr. President, that treaty forms the core of our bilateral security arrangements with Japan and of our overall security strategy for the Asia-Pacific region. Those arrangements have helped provide the peace and stability that have undergirded the region's economic success—from which the United States has benefited directly.

Japan provides our forces based in that country with significant host nation support. And no one in Japan shoulders a more disproportionate share of that burden than the people of Okinawa. For their many contributions to the U.S.-Japan relationship and the peace and stability of all of the Asia-Pacific region, the Okinawan people justly deserve our recognition and our sincerest thanks. That is precisely what this resolution does. But it also goes further: The resolution makes it clear that the continued support of the Okinawan people is crucial if we are to maintain a bilateral relationship that serves both our countries' interests, as well as those of the Asia-Pacific and the entire world.

Mr. President, I know time is short in this Congress, but I urge all my colleagues to join me in making passage of this resolution possible before we adjourn.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED

THE PENSION CHOICE AND SECURITY ACT OF 1996

MCCAIN AMENDMENT NO. 5420

(Ordered to lie on the table.)

Mr. MCCAIN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill (H.R. 4000) to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to promote availability of private pensions upon retirement; as follows:

At the end, add the following:

TITLE II—DEPOT-LEVEL ACTIVITIES

SEC. 201. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PERFORMANCE OF CORE LOGISTICS FUNCTIONS.

Section 2464(a) of title 10, United States Code is amended by striking out paragraph

(2) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

“(2) The Secretary of Defense shall maintain within the Department of Defense those logistics activities and capabilities that are necessary to provide the logistics capability described in paragraph (1). The logistics activities and capabilities maintained under this paragraph shall include all personnel, equipment, and facilities that are necessary to maintain and repair the weapon systems and other military equipment identified under paragraph (3).

“(3) The Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Joint Chiefs of Staff, shall identify the weapon systems and other military equipment that it is necessary to maintain and repair within the Department of Defense in order to maintain within the department the capability described in paragraph (1).

“(4) The Secretary shall require that the core logistics functions identified pursuant to paragraph (3) be performed in Government-owned, Government-operated facilities of the Department of Defense by Department of Defense personnel using Department of Defense equipment.”.

SEC. 202. INCREASE IN PERCENTAGE LIMITATION ON CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE OF DEPOT-LEVEL MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR WORKLOADS.

(a) FIFTY PERCENT LIMITATION.—Section 2466(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking out “40 percent” in the first sentence and inserting in lieu thereof “50 percent”.

(b) INCREASE DELAYED PENDING RECEIPT OF STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF DEPOT-LEVEL MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR.—(1) Notwithstanding the first sentence of section 2466(a) of title 10, United States Code (as amended by subsection (a)), until the strategic plan for the performance of depot-level maintenance and repair is submitted under section 205, not more than 40 percent of the funds made available in a fiscal year to a military department or a Defense Agency for depot-level maintenance and repair workload may be used to contract for the performance by non-Federal Government personnel of such workload for the military department or the Defense Agency.

(2) In paragraph (1), the term “depot-level maintenance and repair workload” has the meaning given such term in section 2466(f) of title 10, United States Code.

SEC. 203. REPORT ON DEPOT-LEVEL MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR.

Subsection (e) of section 2466 of title 10, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

“(e) REPORT.—(1) Not later than February 1 of each year, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report identifying, for each military department and Defense Agency—

“(A) the percentage of the funds referred to in subsection (a) that were used during the preceding fiscal year for performance of depot-level maintenance and repair workloads by Federal Government personnel; and

“(B) the percentage of the funds referred to in subsection (a) that were used during the preceding fiscal year to contract for the performance of depot-level maintenance and repair workloads by non-Federal Government personnel.

“(2) Not later than 90 days after the date on which the Secretary submits the annual report under paragraph (1), the Comptroller General shall submit to the Committees on Armed Services and on Appropriations of the Senate and the Committees on National Security and on Appropriations of the House of Representatives the Comptroller's views on whether the Department of Defense has complied with the requirements of subsection (a) for the fiscal year covered by the report.”.

SEC. 204. DEPOT-LEVEL MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR WORKLOAD DEFINED.

Section 2466 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(f) DEPOT-LEVEL MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR WORKLOAD DEFINED.—In this section, the term ‘depot-level maintenance and repair workload’—

“(1) means material maintenance requiring major overhaul or complete rebuilding of parts, assemblies, or subassemblies, and testing and reclamation of equipment as necessary, including all aspects of software maintenance;

“(2) includes those portions of interim contractor support, contractor logistics support, or any similar contractor support for the performance of services described in paragraph (1); and

“(3) does not include ship modernization and other repair activities that—

“(A) are funded out of appropriations available to the Department of Defense for procurement; and

“(B) were not considered to be depot-level maintenance and repair workload activities under regulations of the Department of Defense in effect on February 10, 1996.”.

SEC. 205. STRATEGIC PLAN RELATING TO DEPOT-LEVEL MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR.

(a) STRATEGIC PLAN REQUIRED.—(1) As soon as possible after the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on National Security of the House of Representatives a strategic plan for the performance of depot-level maintenance and repair.

(2) The strategic plan shall cover the performance of depot-level maintenance and repair for the Department of Defense in fiscal years 1998 through 2007. The plan shall provide for maintaining the capability described in section 2464 of title 10, United States Code.

(b) ADDITIONAL MATTERS COVERED.—The Secretary of Defense shall include in the strategic plan submitted under subsection (a) a detailed discussion of the following matters:

(1) For each military department, as determined after consultation with the Secretary of that military department and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the depot-level maintenance and repair activities and workloads that are necessary to perform within the Department of Defense in order to maintain the core logistics capability required by section 2464 of title 10, United States Code.

(2) For each military department, as determined after consultation with the Secretary of that military department and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the depot-level maintenance and repair activities and workloads that the Secretary of Defense plans to perform within the Department of Defense in order to satisfy the requirements of section 2466 of title 10, United States Code.

(3) For the activities identified pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (2), a discussion of which specific existing weapon systems or other existing equipment, and which specific planned weapon systems or other planned equipment, are weapon systems or equipment for which it is necessary to maintain a core depot-level maintenance and repair capability within the Department of Defense.

(4) The core capabilities, including sufficient skilled personnel, equipment, and facilities, that—

(A) are of sufficient size—

(i) to ensure a ready and controlled source of the technical competencies, and the maintenance and repair capabilities, that are necessary to meet the requirements of the national military strategy and other requirements for responding to mobilizations and military contingencies; and

(ii) to provide for rapid augmentation in time of emergency; and

(B) are assigned a sufficient workload to ensure cost efficiency and technical proficiency in peacetime.

(5) The environmental liability issues associated with any projected privatization of the performance of depot-level maintenance and repair, together with detailed projections of the cost to the United States of satisfying environmental liabilities associated with such privatized performance.

(6) Any significant issues and risks concerning exchange of technical data on depot-level maintenance and repair between the Federal Government and the private sector.

(7) Any deficiencies in Department of Defense financial systems that hinder effective evaluation of competitions (whether among private-sector sources or among depot-level activities owned and operated by the Department of Defense and private-sector sources), and merit-based selections (among depot-level activities owned and operated by the Department of Defense), for a depot-level maintenance and repair workload, together with plans to correct such deficiencies.

(9) The type of facility (whether a private sector facility or a Government owned and operated facility) in which depot-level maintenance and repair of any new weapon systems that will reach full scale development is to be performed.

(10) The workloads necessary to maintain Government owned and operated depots at 50 percent, 70 percent, and 85 percent of operating capacity.

(11) A plan for improving the productivity of the Government owned and operated depot maintenance and repair facilities, together with management plans for changing administrative and missions processes to achieve productivity gains, a discussion of any barriers to achieving desired productivity gains at the depots, and any necessary changes in civilian personnel policies that are necessary to improve productivity.

(12) The criteria used to make decisions on whether to convert to contractor performance of depot-level maintenance and repair, the officials responsible for making the decision to convert, and any depot-level maintenance and repair workloads that are proposed to be converted to contractor performance before the end of fiscal year 2001.

(13) A detailed analysis of savings proposed to be achieved by contracting for the performance of depot-level maintenance and repair workload by private sector sources, together with the report on the review of the analysis (and the assumptions underlying the analysis) provided for under subsection (c).

(c) INDEPENDENT REVIEW OF SAVINGS ANALYSIS.—The Secretary shall provide for a public accounting firm (independent of Department of Defense influence) to review the analysis referred to in subsection (b)(13) and the assumptions underlying the analysis for submission to the committees referred to in subsection (a) and to the Comptroller General.

(d) REVIEW BY COMPTROLLER GENERAL.—(1) At the same time that the Secretary of Defense transmits the strategic plan under subsection (a), the Secretary shall transmit a copy of the plan (including the report of the public accounting firm provided for under subsection (c)) to the Comptroller General of the United States and make available to the Comptroller General all information used by

the Department of Defense in preparing the plan and analysis.

(2) Not later than 60 days after the date on which the Secretary submits the strategic plan required by subsection (a), the Comptroller General shall transmit to Congress a report containing a detailed analysis of the strategic plan.

(e) ADDITIONAL REPORTING REQUIREMENT FOR COMPTROLLER GENERAL.—Not later than February 1, 1997, the Comptroller General shall submit to the committees referred to in subsection (a) a report on the effectiveness of the oversight by the Department of Defense of the management of existing contracts with private sector sources of depot-level maintenance and repair of weapon systems, the adequacy of Department of Defense financial and information systems to support effective decisions to contract for private sector performance of depot-level maintenance and repair workloads that are being or have been performed by Government personnel, the status of reengineering efforts at depots owned and operated by the United States, and any overall management weaknesses within the Department of Defense that would hinder effective use of contracting for the performance of depot-level maintenance and repair.

SEC. 206. ANNUAL REPORT ON COMPETITIVE PROCEDURES.

(a) ANNUAL REPORT.—Section 2469 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(d) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than March 31 of each year, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on National Security of the House of Representatives a report describing the competitive procedures used during the preceding fiscal year for competitions referred to in subsection (a).”

(b) FIRST REPORT.—The first report under subsection (d) of section 2469 of title 10, United States Code (as added by subsection (a)), shall be submitted not later than March 31, 1997.

SEC. 207. ANNUAL RISK ASSESSMENTS REGARDING PRIVATE PERFORMANCE OF DEPOT-LEVEL MAINTENANCE WORK.

(a) REPORTS.—Chapter 146 of title 10, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“§2473. Reports on privatization of depot-level maintenance work

“(a) ANNUAL RISK ASSESSMENTS.—(1) Not later than January 1 of each year, the Joint Chiefs of Staff shall submit to the Secretary of Defense a report on the privatization of the performance of the various depot-level maintenance workloads of the Department of Defense.

“(2) The report shall include with respect to each depot-level maintenance workload the following:

“(A) An assessment of the risk to the readiness, sustainability, and technology of the Armed Forces in a full range of anticipated scenarios for peacetime and for wartime of—

“(i) using public entities to perform the workload;

“(ii) using private entities to perform the workload; and

“(iii) using a combination of public entities and private entities to perform the workload.

“(B) The recommendation of the Joint Chiefs as to whether public entities, private entities, or a combination of public entities and private entities could perform the workload without jeopardizing military readiness.

“(3) Not later than 30 days after receiving the report under paragraph (2)(B), the Secretary shall transmit the report to Congress. If the Secretary does not concur in the rec-

ommendation made by the Joint Chiefs pursuant to paragraph (2)(B), the Secretary shall include in the report under this paragraph—

“(A) the recommendation of the Secretary; and

“(B) a justification for the differences between the recommendation of the Joint Chiefs and the recommendation of the Secretary.

“(b) ANNUAL REPORT ON PROPOSED PRIVATIZATION.—(1) Not later than February 28 of each year, the Joint Chiefs of Staff shall submit to the Secretary of Defense a report on each depot-level maintenance workload of the Department of Defense that the Joint Chiefs believe could be converted to performance by private entities during the next fiscal year without jeopardizing military readiness.

“(2) Not later than 30 days after receiving a report under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall transmit the report to Congress. If the Secretary does not concur in the proposal of the Joint Chiefs in the report, the Secretary shall include in the report under this paragraph—

“(A) each depot-level maintenance workload of the Department that the Secretary proposes to be performed by private entities during the fiscal year concerned; and

“(B) a justification for the differences between the proposal of the Joint Chiefs and the proposal of the Secretary.”

(b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections at the beginning of such chapter is amended by adding at the end the following: “2473. Reports on privatization of depot-level maintenance work.”

SEC. 208. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY FOR NAVAL SHIPYARDS AND AVIATION DEPOTS TO ENGAGE IN DEFENSE-RELATED PRODUCTION AND SERVICES.

(a) EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY.—Section 1425(e) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1991 (Public Law 101-510) is amended by striking out “expires on September 30, 1995” and inserting in lieu thereof “may not be exercised after September 30, 1997”.

(b) REVIVAL OF EXPIRED AUTHORITY.—The authority provided in section 1425 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1991 may be exercised after September 30, 1995, subject to the limitation in subsection (e) of such section as amended by subsection (a) of this section.

SEC. 209. LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS FOR F-18 AIRCRAFT DEPOT MAINTENANCE.

Of the amounts authorized to be appropriated by section 301(2) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1997 (Public Law 104-201), not more than \$5,000,000 may be used for the performance of depot maintenance on F-18 aircraft until 30 days after the date on which the Secretary of Defense submits to the congressional defense committees a report on aviation depot maintenance. The report shall contain the following:

(1) The results of a competition which the Secretary shall conduct between all Department of Defense aviation depots for selection for the performance of depot maintenance on F-18 aircraft.

(2) An analysis of the total cost of transferring the F-18 aircraft depot maintenance workload to an aviation depot not performing such workload as of the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 210. DEPOT MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR AT FACILITIES CLOSED BY BRAC.

The Secretary may not contract for the performance by a private sector source of any of the depot maintenance workload performed as of the date of the enactment of this Act at Sacramento Air Logistics Center

or the San Antonio Air Logistics Center until the Secretary—

(1) publishes criteria for the evaluation of bids and proposals to perform such workload;

(2) conducts a competition for the workload between public and private entities;

(3) pursuant to the competition, determines in accordance with the criteria published under paragraph (1) that an offer submitted by a private sector source to perform the workload is the best value for the United States; and

(4) submits to Congress the following—

(A) a detailed comparison of the cost of the performance of the workload by civilian employees of the Department of Defense with the cost of the performance of the workload by that source; and

(B) an analysis which demonstrates that the performance of the workload by that source will provide the best value for the United States over the life of the contract.

THE ALTERNATIVE MEANS OF DISPUTE RESOLUTION ACT OF 1996

COHEN AMENDMENT NO. 5421

Mr. GRASSLEY (for Mr. COHEN) proposed an amendment to the bill (H.R. 4194) to reauthorize alternative means of dispute resolution in the Federal administrative process, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the end of the bill insert the following:

SEC. 12. JURISDICTION OF THE UNITED STATES COURT OF FEDERAL CLAIMS AND THE DISTRICT COURTS OF THE UNITED STATES: BID PROTESTS.

(a) BID PROTESTS.—Section 1491 of Title 28, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsection (b) as subsection (c);

(2) in subsection (a) by striking out paragraph (3); and

(3) by inserting after subsection (a), the following new subsection:

“(b) (1) Both the United States Court of Federal Claims and the district courts of the United States shall have jurisdiction to render judgment on an action by an interested party objecting to a solicitation by a Federal agency for bids or proposals for a proposed contract or to a proposed award or the award of a contract or any alleged violation of statute or regulation in connection with a procurement or a proposed procurement. Both the United States Court of Federal Claims and the district courts of the United States shall have jurisdiction to entertain such an action without regard to whether suit is instituted before or after the contract is awarded.

“(2) To afford relief in such an action, the courts may award any relief that the court considers proper, including declaratory and injunctive relief except that any monetary relief shall be limited to bid preparation and proposal costs.

“(3) In exercising jurisdiction under this subsection, the courts shall give due regard to the interests of national defense and national security and the need for expeditious resolution of the action.

“(4) In any action under this subsection, the courts shall review the agency's decision pursuant to the standards set forth in section 706 of title 5.”

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section and the amendments made by this section shall take effect on December 31, 1996 and shall apply to all actions filed on or after that date.

(c) STUDY.—No earlier than 2 years after the effective date of this section, the United States General Accounting Office shall un-

dertake a study regarding the concurrent jurisdiction of the district courts of the United States and the Court of Federal Claims over bid protests to determine whether concurrent jurisdiction is necessary. Such a study shall be completed no later than December 31, 1999, and shall specifically consider the effect of any proposed change on the ability of small businesses to challenge violations of federal procurement law.

(d) SUNSET.—The jurisdiction of the district courts of the United States over the actions described in section 1491(b)(1) of title 28, United States Code, (as amended by subsection (a) of this section) shall terminate on January 1, 2001 unless extended by Congress. The savings provisions in subsection (e) shall apply if the bid protest jurisdiction of the district courts of the United States terminates under this subsection.

(e) SAVINGS PROVISIONS.—

(1) ORDERS.—A termination under subsection (d) shall not terminate the effectiveness of orders that have been issued by a court in connection with an action within the jurisdiction of that court on or before December 31, 2000. Such orders shall continue in effect according to their terms until modified, terminated, superseded, set aside, or revoked by a court of competent jurisdiction or by operation of law.

(2) PROCEEDINGS AND APPLICATIONS.—(A) A termination under subsection (d) shall not affect the jurisdiction of a court of the United States to continue with any proceeding that is pending before the court on December 31, 2000.

(B) Orders may be issued in any such proceeding, appeals may be taken therefrom, and payments may be made pursuant to such orders, as if such termination had not occurred. An order issued in any such proceeding shall continue in effect until modified, terminated, superseded, set aside, or revoked by a court of competent jurisdiction or by operation of law.

(C) Nothing in this paragraph prohibits the discontinuance or modification of any such proceeding under the same terms and conditions and to the same extent that proceeding could have been discontinued or modified absent such termination.

(f) NONEXCLUSIVITY OF GAO REMEDIES.—In the event that the bid protest jurisdiction of the district courts of the United States is terminated pursuant to subsection (d), then section 3556 of title 31, United States Code, shall be amended by striking “a court of the United States or” in the first sentence.

THE PENSION CHOICE AND SECURITY ACT OF 1996

MCCAIN AMENDMENTS NOS. 5422–5423

(Ordered to lie on the table)

Mr. MCCAIN submitted two amendments intended to be proposed by him to the bill (H.R. 4000) supra; as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 5422

At the end, add the following:

SEC. 2. LIMITATION ON DEFENSE FUNDING OF THE NATIONAL DRUG INTELLIGENCE CENTER.

(a) LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS.—Except as provided in subsection (b), funds appropriated or otherwise made available for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 1997 may not be obligated or expended for the National Drug Intelligence Center, Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

(b) EXCEPTION.—If the Attorney General operates the National Drug Intelligence Center using funds available for the Department

of Justice, the Secretary of Defense may continue to provide Department of Defense intelligence personnel to support intelligence activities at the Center. The number of such personnel providing support to the Center after the date of the enactment of this Act may not exceed the number of the Department of Defense intelligence personnel who are supporting intelligence activities at the Center on the day before such date.

SEC. 3. INVESTIGATION OF THE NATIONAL DRUG INTELLIGENCE CENTER.

(a) INVESTIGATION REQUIRED.—The Inspector General of the Department of Defense, the Inspector General of the Department of Justice, the Inspector General of the Central Intelligence Agency, and the Comptroller General of the United States shall—

(1) jointly investigate the operations of the National Drug Intelligence Center, Johnstown, Pennsylvania; and

(2) not later than March 31, 1997, jointly submit to the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives a report on the results of the investigation.

(b) CONTENT OF REPORT.—The joint report shall contain a determination regarding whether there is a significant likelihood that the funding of the operation of the National Drug Intelligence Center, a domestic law enforcement program, through an appropriation under the control of the Director of Central Intelligence will result in a violation of the National Security Act of 1947 or Executive Order 12333.

AMENDMENT NO. 5423

At the end of the Act, insert the following:

SEC. . AUTHORITY TO DISPOSE OF CERTAIN MATERIALS IN NATIONAL DEFENSE STOCKPILE TO FUND ACTIVITIES RELATING TO THE SEARCH FOR INDIVIDUALS MISSING IN ACTION AND BELIEVED TO BE PRISONERS OF WAR.

(A) AUTHORITY TO DISPOSE.—The President may dispose of materials contained in the National Defense Stockpile and specified in the table in subsection (b),

(b) LIMITATION ON DISPOSAL QUANTITY.—The total quantities of materials authorized for disposal by the President under subsection (a) may not exceed the amounts set forth in the following table:

Material for disposal	Quantity
Chrome Metal, Electrolytic	8,471 short tons.
Cobalt	9,902,774 pounds.
Columbium Carbide	21,372 pounds.
Columbium Ferro	249,395 pounds.
Diamond, Bort	91,542 carats.
Diamond, Stone	3,029,413 carats.
Germanium	28,207 kilograms.
Indium	15,205 troy ounces.
Palladium	1,249,601 troy ounces.
Platinum	442,641 troy ounces.
Rubber	567 long tons.
Tantalum, Carbide Powder	22,688 pounds contained.
Tantalum, Minerals	1,748,947 pounds contained.
Tantalum, Oxide	123,691 pounds contained.
Titanium Sponge	36,830 short tons.
Tungsten	76,358,235 pounds.
Tungsten, Carbide	2,032,942 pounds.
Tungsten, Metal Powder	1,181,921 pounds.
Tungsten, Ferro	2,024,143 pounds.

(c) MINIMIZATION OF DISRUPTION AND LOSS.—The President may not dispose of materials under subsection (a) to the extent that the disposal will result in—

(1) undue disruption of the usual markets of producers, processors, and consumers of the materials proposed for disposal; or

(2) avoidable loss to the United States.

(d) AVAILABILITY OF RECEIPTS.—(1) Notwithstanding section 9 of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98h), funds received as a result of the