The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 36 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, March 20, 1997, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

2326. A letter from the Acting Executive Director, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Revised Procedures for Commission Review and Approval of Applications for Contract Market Designation and of Exchange Rules Relating to Contract Terms and Conditions [17 CFR Parts 1 and 5] received March 10, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2327. A letter from the Chief, Programs and Legislation Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, transmitting notification of the Department's intent to conduct a multifunction cost comparison of the supply, maintenance, and transportation functions at Hickam Air Force Base [AFB], HI, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2304 note; to the Committee on National Security.

2328. A letter from the Chief, Programs and Legislation Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, transmitting notification of the Department's intent to conduct a cost comparison study of the cadet food services waiters and sanitation function at the U.S. Air Force Academy, CO, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2304 note; to the Committee on National Security.

2329. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting notification that the Secretary has approved the retirement of Lt. Gen. Steven L. Arnold, U.S. Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list, and certification that General Arnold has served satisfactorily on active duty in his current grade; to the Committee on National Security.

mittee on National Security. 2330. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the Joint Demilitarization Technology Program, pursuant to Public Law 104-201, section 227 (110 Stat. 2460); to the Committee on National Security.

2331. A letter from the Maritime Administrator, U.S. Maritime Administration, transmitting a copy of the Voluntary Intermodal Sealift Agreement, developed in accordance with the provisions of section 708 of the Defense Production Act, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. App. 2158(f)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

2332. A letter from the Deputy Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule—Assessment of Penalties for Failure to Provide Required Information—received March 13, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

2333. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to extend the expiration dates of existing authorities and enhance U.S. participation in the energy emergency program of the International Energy Agency; to the Committee on Commerce.

2334. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program: Revisions and Additions to the Vaccine Injury Table—II [42]

CFR Part 100] (RIN: 0906-AA36) received March 10, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2335. A letter from the Director, U.S. Information Agency, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the U.S. Information Agency, and for other purposes, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1110; to the Committee on International Relations.

2336. A letter from the Director, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting the Office's final rule—Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Executive Branch; Exception for Gifts from a Political Organization (RIN: 3209-AA04) received March 11, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2337. A letter from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Department of Justice, transmiting the Department's final rule—Consolidation, Elimination, and Clarification of Various Regulations (Drug Enforcement Administration) [DEA Number 139F] (RIN: 1117–AA33) received March 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

2338. A letter from the Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, transmitting the Administration's status report entitled "Progress Made in Implementing Sections 6016 and 1038 of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA)," pursuant to Public Law 102–240, section 6016(e) (105 Stat. 2183); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

2339. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule—Response Plans for facilities Located Seaward of the Coast Line (Minerals Management Service) (RIN: 1010–AB81) received March 13, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2340. Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the fiscal year 1996 annual report of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 214, 221(c), and 664; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

2341. A letter from the Acting Secretary of Labor, transmitting the quarterly report on the expediture and need for worker adjustment assistance training funds under the Trade Act of 1974, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 2296(a)(2); to the Committee on Ways and

Means.

2342. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Low-Income Housing Tax Credit—1997 Calendar Year Resident Population Estimates [Notice 97–14] received March 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2343. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Transfers to Foreign Entities Under Section 1491 Through 1494 [Notice 97–18] received March 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2344. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Guidance for Expatriates Under sections 877, 2501, 2107 and 6039F [Notice 97–19] received March 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2345. A letter from the Deputy Under Secretary for International and Commercial Programs, Department of Defense, transmitting the preliminary report on the investment strategy for the Dual Use Technology Program, pursuant to Public Law 104-201,

section 203(g) (110 Stat. 2451); jointly, to the Committees on National Security and Science.

2346. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting the administration's legislative proposal regarding the allowability of executive compensation costs on covered Government contracts, pursuant to Public Law 104–201, section 809(e) (110 Stat. 2608); jointly, to the Committees on National Security and Government Reform and Oversight.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mrs. MYRICK: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 100. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1122) to amend title 18, United States Code, to ban partial-birth abortions (Rept. 105-32). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. DREIER: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 101. Resolution providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 91) providing amounts for the expenses of certain committees of the House of Representatives in the 105th Congress (Rept. 105-33). Referred to the House Calendar.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of rule X and clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred as follows:

By Mr. SPENCE (for himself and Mr. DELLUMS) (both by request):

H.R. 1119. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and for other purposes; to the Committee on National Security.

By Mr. DINGELL (for himself, Mr. GEPHARDT, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. BOR-SKI, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. MANTON, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Towns, Mr. Rush, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. WAX-MAN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. BOUCHER, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. PASCRELL, Ms. FURSE, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. Blumenauer, Ms. Eshoo, Mr. KLINK, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. SAWYER Mr WYNN Mr GREEN MS McCarthy of Missouri, Mr. Conyers, Ms. RIVERS, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. OLVER, Mr. LIPIN-SKI, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr MENENDEZ, Mr. GORDON, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Ms. NORTON, Mr. WISE, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD. LOWEY, Mr. CUMMINGS, and Mr. RAN-GEL):

H.R. 1120. A bill to assist local governments in assessing and remediating brownfield sites, to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to encourage State voluntary response programs for remediating such sites, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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.

By Mr. PAUL:

H.R. 1121. A bill to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to clarify existing law and ratify the longstanding policy of the National Credit Union Administration Board with regard to field of membership of Federal credit unions and to repeal the Community Reinvestment Act of 1977, and to provide for a reduced tax rate for qualified community lenders; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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.

By Mr. SOLOMON:

H.R. 1122. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to ban partial-birth abortions; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ACKERMAN:

H.R. 1123. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit loans from individual retirement plans for certain first-time homebuyer, education, and medical emergency expenses; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CRANE (for himself, and Mr. HAYWORTH):

H.R. 1124. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that no capital gains tax shall apply to individuals or corporations; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania (for himself, Mrs. Kelly, Mr. Watts of Oklahoma, Mr. Whitfield, Mr. Bereuter, Mr. Pomeroy, Mr. Tiahrt, Mr. Gilman, Mr. Klink, Mr. Fattah, Mr. Greenwood, Mr. Sandlin, Mr. Ackerman, Mr. Solomon, Mr. Manzullo, Mr. Peterson of Pennsylvania, Mr. Frelinghuysen, and Mr. Houghton):

H.R. 1125. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide that amounts collected with respect to the provisions of health care at a Department of Veterans Affairs medical center may be retained by that medical center; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. EVANS (for himself, Mr. FILNER, Mr. GOODE, Mr. ADAM SMITH of Washington, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. FROST, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. BALLENGER, Mr. VENTO, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. LIVINGSTON, Mr. REGULA, and Mr. UNDERWOOD):

H.R. 1126. A bill to provide that certain service of members of the U.S. merchant marine during World War II constituted active military service for purposes of any law administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. HANSEN (for himself, Mr. Cannon, and Mr. Cook):

H.R. 1127. A bill to amend the Antiquities Act to require an Act of Congress and the concurrence of the Governor and State legislature for the establishment by the President of national monuments in excess of 5,000 acres; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Florida (for himself, Ms. Slaughter, Mr. Evans, Ms. Norton, Ms. Pelosi, Mr. Oberstar, Ms. Harman, Mr. Clement, Mrs. Meek of Florida, Mr. Foglietta, Mr. Flake, Mr. Sisisky, Mr. Gordon, Ms. Christian-Green, and Mr. Skeen):

H.R. 1128. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage of periodic colorectal screening services under part B of the Medicare Program; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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.

By Mr. HOUGHTON (for himself, Mr. HALL of Ohio, Mr. DAN SCHAEFER of Colorado, Mr. TORRES, Mr. GREENWOOD, Mr. FILNER, Mr. WALSH, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. HULSHOF, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. MEEHAN, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. DELLUMS, Ms. RIVERS, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mrs. CLAYTON, Mr. BARRETT OF WISCONSIN, Mr. VENTO, Mr. LAFALCE, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. MCDERMOTT):

H.R. 1129. A bill to establish a program to provide assistance for programs of credit and other assistance for microenterprises in developing countries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on International Relations

By Mr. GEJDENSON (for himself, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. BENTSEN, Mrs. KENNELLY OF CONNECTICUT, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. GEPHARDT, Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. KUCINICH, Mrs. MALONEY Of New York, Ms. McCarthy of Missouri, Mrs. Tauscher, Mr. Lewis of Georgia, Mr. Kildee, Mr. Andrews, Mr. Gonzalez, Mr. Brown of California, Mr. Lafalce, Mr. Frost, Mr. Sabo Mr. Borski, Mr. Wise, Mr. Ackerman, Mr. Sawyer, Ms. Delauro, Mr. Olver, Mrs. Clayton, Mr. Filner, Mr. Baldacci, Mr. Strickland, Mr. Blagojevich, Ms. Kilpatrick, Mr. McGovern, Mr. Pascrell, Mr. Sandlin, and Mr. Underwood):

H.R. 1130. A bill to provide for retirement savings and security, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Education and the Workforce, Government Reform and Oversight, Transportation and Infrastructure, and National Security, 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.

By Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut:

H.R. 1131. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to make funds available for surface transportation projects on roads functionally classified as local or rural minor collectors, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island (for himself, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. PORTER, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. EVANS, Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts, and Mr. HALL of Ohio):

H.R. 1132. A bill to limit U.S. military assistance and arms transfers to the Government of Indonesia; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island:

H.R. 1133. A bill to amend the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 to provide exceptions for mentally disabled aliens from provisions which restrict welfare and public benefits for aliens; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Agriculture, Commerce, and the Judiciary, 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.

By Mr. SHAW (for himself, Mrs. KENNELLY of Connecticut, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mr. Lewis of Georgia, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. HOUGHTON, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. McCrery, Mr.

COYNE, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. BAKER, Mr. BENTSEN, Ms. CHRISTIAN-GREEN, Mr. CLAY, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. FOGLIETTA, Mr. FROST, Mr. GONZALEZ, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Mr. MICA, Mr. SNYDER, Mr. STARK, Mr. VENTO, Mr. WALSH, and Mr. WOLF):

H.R. 1134. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a credit against income tax to individuals who rehabilitate historic homes or who are the first purchasers of rehabilitated historic homes for use as a principal residence; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. WOOLSEY (for herself and Mr. GILCHREST):

H.R. 1135. A bill to provide for the protection of farmland at the Point Reyes National Seashore, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, 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.

By Mr. WEXLER (for himself, Mr. FOLEY, and Mr. McCOLLUM):

H.J. Res. 64. Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to prevent early release of violent criminals; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PRIVATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 1 of rule XXII,

Mr. LIPINSKI introduced a bill (H.R. 1136) for the relief of Leland E. Person; which was referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 4 of rule XXII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 5: Mr. Bono.

H.R. 20: Mr. Portman, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Istook, Mr. Kasich, Mr. Ensign, Mr. Miller of Florida, Mr. English of Pennsylvania, Mr. Goodling, Mr. Christensen, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Knollenberg, Mr. Souder, Mr. Ney, Mr. Fattah, Mr. Parker, Mr. Engel, Mr. Ehrlich, Mr. Quinn, and Mr. McKeon.

H.R. 21: Mr. FOGLIETTA.

H.R. 38: Mr. HALL of Texas.

H.R. 44: Mr. CONDIT and Mr. HALL of Texas. H.R. 58: Mr. BONILLA, Ms. DANNER, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. McKINNEY, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. FORD, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. SMITH of Michigan, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. MOAKLEY, Mr. CRAPO, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. GOSS, Mr. WHITE, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, and Mr. CANNON.

H.R. 65: Mr. Graham, Mrs. Kelly, Ms. Lofgren, Mr. Menendez, Mr. Condit, Ms. Pryce of Ohio, and Mr. Hall of Texas.

H.R. 75: Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. THOMP-SON, Mr. RANGEL, and Mr. SANDLIN.

H.R. 107: Mr. DOYLE, Mr. SANDLIN, Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania, and Mr. WELDON of Florida. H.R. 127: Mr. KLINK, Mr. KUCINICH, and Mr. BLAGOJEVICH.

 $\mbox{H.R.}$ 143: Ms. Furse, Mr. Gibbons, and Mr. Davis of Virginia.

H.R. 145: Mr. Peterson of Minnesota and Mr. Vento.

H.R. 150: Mr. CLAY, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. McNulty, Mr. Payne, Mr. Dellums, Mr. La-Falce, and Mr. McGovern.

 $H.R.\ 234:\ Ms.\ Woolsey,\ Mr.\ Vento,\ Mr.\ Manton,\ Mrs.\ Carson,\ and\ Mr.\ Olver.$

H.R. 242: Mr. MANTON.