

People's Liberation Army is engaged in an unprecedented buildup and is selling its weapons to terrorist regimes. Meanwhile, we annually export a paltry \$15 billion in goods to the mainland's largely closed markets, yet we buy \$50 billion in return. If American policy is going to stand on "bread alone," it should be better bread than this.

Admission to the company of civilized nations should require, at the very least, civilized behavior. How can the free world be "free" is it admits to its ranks, for favored commercial and diplomatic treatment, a burgeoning super-power that is the very definition of tyranny? It can't. Ronald Reagan, who peacefully ended the Cold War with a hard-nosed realism that was derived from morality, not deprived of it, understood this truth. And a Republican-majority Congress that claims Reagan's legacy should never forget it.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). Pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, the House stands in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 4 o'clock and 4 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. DREIER) at 6 o'clock and 28 minutes p.m.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS TO SUSPEND THE RULES

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 105-53) on the resolution (H. Res. 112) providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 62, TAX LIMITATION CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 105-54) on the resolution (H. Res. 113) providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 62) proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States with respect to tax limitations, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

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. ROHRBACHER) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. GEKAS, for 5 minutes each day, on April 15, 16, and 17.

Mr. NEUMANN, for 5 minutes each day, on April 15 and 17.

Mr. MILLER of Florida, for 5 minutes on April 16.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

By unanimous consent, permission to revise and extend remarks was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. ROHRBACHER) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. RADANOVICH.

Mr. GILMAN in two instances.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. WOLF) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. SCOTT.

Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts.

Mr. FARR of California.

Mr. VISCLOSKEY.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas.

Mr. FATTAH.

Mr. KUCINICH.

Mr. GINGRICH.

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia.

Mr. GILMAN.

Mr. POMEROY.

Mr. UNDERWOOD.

Mr. ACKERMAN.

(The following Member (at the request of Ms. PRYCE of Ohio) and to include extraneous matter:)

Mr. BONIOR in two instances.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REFERRED

A concurrent resolution of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. Con. Res. 20. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the status of the investigation of the bombing of the Israeli Embassy in Buenos Aires in 1992; to the Committee on International Relations.

BILL PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight reported that that committee did on the following date present to the President, for his approval, a bill of the House of the following title:

On April 10, 1997:

H.R. 412. An act to approve a settlement agreement between the Bureau of Reclamation and the Oroville-Tonasket Irrigation District.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 6 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, April 15, 1997, at 10:30 a.m. for morning hour debates.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

2753. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of Labor for OSHA, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule—Abatement Verification (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) [Docket No. C-03] (RIN: 1128-AB40) received April 7, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

2754. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plan; Indiana [IN73-1a; FRL-5807-9] received April 10, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2755. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Ohio [OH106-1a; FRL-5808-5] received April 10, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2756. A letter from the Managing Director, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Implementation of Sections of the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992: Rate Regulation—Low-Price Systems [MM Docket No. 92-266] received April 8, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2757. A letter from the AMD-Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Rules and Policies Regarding Calling Number Identification Service—Caller ID [CC Docket No. 91-281] received April 11, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2758. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, transmitting the Board's final rule—Thrift Savings Plan Loans [5 CFR Part 1655] received April 14, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2759. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, transmitting the Board's final rule—Thrift Savings Plan; Continuation of Eligibility [5 CFR Part 1620] received April 14, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2760. A letter from the Archivist of the United States, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2761. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Policy, Management and Budget, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule—Department of the Interior Acquisition Regulation; Department of the Interior Acquisition Regulation System (RIN: 1090-AA60) received April 8, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

2762. A letter from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Yellowfin Sole by Vessels Using Trawl Gear [Docket No. 961107312-7021-02; I.D. 033197A]

received April 14, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

2763. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Scallop Fishery Off Alaska; Scallop Vessel Moratorium [Docket No. 961203339-7063-02; I.D. 111896B] (RIN: 0648-AI88) received April 14, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

2764. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), the Department of the Army, transmitting a letter from the Chief of Engineers, Department of the Army dated July 26, 1996, submitting a report on the Port of Long Beach, CA, together with accompanying papers and illustrations, pursuant to Public Law 104-303, section 101(a)(4) (110 Stat. 3663) (H. Doc. No. 105-65); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and ordered to be printed.

2765. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Bureau of the Public Debt, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule—Regulations Governing Book-Entry Treasury Bonds, Notes and Bills (Bureau of the Public Debt) [31 CFR Part 357] received April 10, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2766. A letter from the Chair, Physician Payment Review Commission, transmitting the Commission's 1997 annual report, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1395w-1(c)(1)(D); jointly, to the Committees on Ways and Means and Commerce.

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:

Mr. BLILEY: Committee on Commerce. H.R. 1001. A bill to extend the term of appointment of certain members of the Prospective Payment Assessment Commission and the Physician Payment Review Commission (Rept. 105-49 Pt. 2). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. ARCHER: Committee on Ways and Means. H.R. 1226. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prevent the unauthorized inspection of tax returns or tax return information; with an amendment (Rept. 105-51). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. STUMP: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H.R. 1090. A bill to amend title 38 United States Code, to allow revision of veterans benefits decisions based on clear and unmistakable error (Rept. 105-52). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. DREIER: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 112. Resolution providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules (Rept. 105-53). Referred to the House Calendar.

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 113. Resolution providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 62) proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States with respect to tax limitations (Rept. 105-54). 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. NETHERCUTT (for himself and Ms. FURSE):

H.R. 1315. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to require the establishment of a comprehensive plan regarding the diabetes-related activities of the National Institutes of Health, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. COLLINS:

H.R. 1316. A bill to amend chapter 87 of title 5, United States Code, with respect to the order of precedence to be applied in the payment of life insurance benefits; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

By Mr. KOLBE (for himself, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, and Mr. BARTON of Texas):

H.R. 1317. A bill to establish the High Level Commission on International Narcotics Control; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. ROYCE (for himself and Mr. MINGE):

H.R. 1318. A bill to establish a National Commission to Eliminate Waste in Government; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

By Mr. ROYCE:

H.R. 1319. A bill to abolish the Department of Commerce; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, Banking and Financial Services, International Relations, National Security, Agriculture, Ways and Means, Government Reform and Oversight, the Judiciary, Science and Resources, 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. VISCLOSKEY:

H.R. 1320. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to waive in the case of multiemployer plans the section 415 limit on benefits to the participant's average compensation for his high 3 years; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

H.R. 18: Mr. BALDACCI, Mr. GEKAS, Mr. LOBIONDO, and Mr. HULSHOF.

H.R. 52: Mrs. MALONEY of New York.

H.R. 113: Mr. SMITH of Michigan and Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland.

H.R. 147: Mr. DAVIS of Illinois.

H.R. 218: Mr. LUCAS of Oklahoma.

H.R. 234: Mr. GONZALEZ and Mr. GEJDENSON.

H.R. 235: Mr. JONES.

H.R. 407: Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. HAYWORTH, Mr. KLECZKA, and Mrs. KELLY.

H.R. 411: Mr. FILNER.

H.R. 418: Mr. GALLEGLY and Mr. WEYGAND. H.R. 426: Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. GORDON, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. CALVERT, and Mrs. KELLY.

H.R. 437: Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. WEYGAND, Mr. DELLUMS, Mr. GILMAN, and Mr. ACKERMAN.

H.R. 488: Mr. CLAY, Ms. CHRISTIAN-GREEN, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. NUSSLE, and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia.

H.R. 623: Mr. LATOURETTE.

H.R. 662: Mr. CAPPS, Ms. WATERS, and Mr. MILLER of California.

H.R. 663: Ms. MCKINNEY, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. YATES, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. CAPPS, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. RUSH, Mr. OLVER, Mr. EVANS, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, and Mr. MILLER of California.

H.R. 680: Mr. WATT of North Carolina.

H.R. 681: Mr. DREIER, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. PACKARD, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. CONDIT, Mr. BERMAN, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, and Mr. WAXMAN.

H.R. 688: Mr. RADANOVICH, Mr. PALLONE, and Mr. PAXON.

H.R. 871: Mr. SANDERS, Mr. BENTSEN, Mr. DELLUMS, and Ms. FURSE.

H.R. 891: Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. FROST, Mr. FOLEY, Mrs. EMERSON, and Mr. BACHUS.

H.R. 919: Mr. DAVIS of Illinois.

H.R. 1023: Mrs. FOWLER, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. SPENCE, Mr. FORD, Mr. KIND of Wisconsin, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. WATKINS, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. WEYGAND, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. GREENWOOD, and Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts.

H.R. 1050: Mr. DAVIS of Illinois and Mr. KUCINICH.

H.R. 1073: Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Ms. WATERS, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, and Mr. FROST.

H.R. 1089: Mr. DAVIS of Illinois and Mr. WYNN.

H.R. 1090: Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma, and Mr. FATTAH.

H.R. 1111: Mr. OLVER, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. CLAY, Mr. WALSH, Mr. TOWNS, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. FROST, Mr. GONZALEZ, Ms. CHRISTIAN-GREEN, Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. UNDERWOOD, and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia.

H.R. 1126: Mr. BOYD and Mr. KING of New York.

H.R. 1147: Mrs. CHENOWETH and Mr. NEY.

H.R. 1161: Mr. SMITH of New Jersey and Mr. ROTHMAN.

H.R. 1162: Mr. PACKARD.

H.R. 1178: Mr. SHAYS and Mr. FROST.

H.R. 1226: Mr. GREENWOOD.

H.R. 1251: Mr. HASTINGS of Florida.

H.R. 1263: Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island.

H. Con. Res. 8: Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, and Mr. GOSS.

H. Con. Res. 37: Mr. TORRES.