

DELETIONS OF SPONSORS FROM
PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

H.R. 198: Mr. TOWNS.

AMENDMENTS

Under clause 6 of rule XXIII, proposed amendments were submitted as follows:

H.R. 2159

OFFERED BY: MR. FORBES

AMENDMENT NO. 62: At the end of the bill, insert after the last section (preceding the short title) the following new section:

LIMITATION ON ASSISTANCE FOR THE P.L.O., THE
PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY

SEC. 572. (a) SENSE OF THE CONGRESS.—It is the sense of the Congress that the Palestine Liberation Organization (hereafter the "P.L.O.") should do far more to demonstrate an irrevocable denunciation of terrorism and to ensure a peaceful settlement of the Middle East dispute, and in particular it should—

(1) submit to the Palestinian Council for formal approval the necessary changes to those specified articles of the Palestinian National Charter which deny Israel's right to exist or support the use of violence;

(2) to the maximum extent possible, preempt acts of terror, discipline violators, publicly condemn all terrorist acts, actively work to dismantle other terrorist organizations, and contribute to stemming the violence that has resulted in the deaths of over 230 Israeli and United States citizens since the signing of the Declaration of Principles on Interim Self-Government Arrangements (hereafter the "Declaration of Principles") on September 13, 1993, at the White House;

(3) prohibit participation in the P.L.O. or the Palestinian Authority or its successors of any groups or individuals which promote or commit acts of terrorism;

(4) cease all anti-Israel rhetoric, which potentially undermines the peace process;

(5) confiscate all unlicensed weapons and restrict the issuance of licenses to those with legitimate need;

(6) transfer and cooperate in transfer proceedings relating to any person accused by Israel or the United States of having committed acts of terrorism against Israeli or United States nationals; and

(7) respect civil liberties, human rights and democratic norms as applied equally to all persons regardless of ethnic, religious, or national origin.

(b) LIMITATION ON ASSISTANCE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be obligated for assistance, directly or indirectly, for the P.L.O., the Palestinian Authority, only for the period beginning 3 months after the date of the enactment of this Act and for 6 months thereafter, and only if—

(A) the President has exercised the authority under section 604(a) of the Middle East Peace Facilitation Act of 1995 (title VI of Public Law 104-107) or any other legislation to suspend or make inapplicable section 307 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 and that suspension is still in effect; and

(B) in addition to the requirements contained in such Act or other legislation, the President prepares and transmits to the Congress a report described in paragraph (2).

(2) REPORT.—A report described in this paragraph is a report containing the following:

(A) A description of all efforts being made to apprehend, prosecute, or have extradited to the United States Mohammad Deif (allegedly responsible for the death of Nachshon Wachsmann, a United States citizen), Amjad Hinawi (allegedly responsible for the death of David Boim, a United States citizen), Abu Abbas (responsible for the death of Leon Klinghoffer, a United States citizen), Amid al-Hindi (allegedly responsible for the death of David Berger, a United States citizen), and Nafez Mahmoud Sabih (who helped plan the February 1996 attack on a Jerusalem bus in which Jewish Theological Seminary students Sara Duker and Matthew Eisenfeld, both United States citizens, were murdered).

(B) An official, updated, and revised copy of the Palestinian National Charter (Covenant) showing which specific articles have been rescinded by the decision taken on April 24, 1996 by the P.L.O. Executive committee.

(C) A description of all actions being taken by the Palestinian Authority to eradicate and prevent the use of the map of Israel to represent "Palestine".

(D) A certification that the Palestinian Authority has established a court system that respects due process requirements, including the right to a lawyer, the right to confront witnesses, the right to be informed of the charges under which one is accused, and the right to a jury trial.

(E) A certification that the Palestinian Authority has established humane prison conditions.

(F) A certification that the Palestinian Authority has taken all measures to rescind the death penalty imposed for the sale of land to Jews, has eliminated the practice of incarcerating real estate agents for the sale of land to Jews or Israelis, and has actively sought the perpetrators of such actions.

H.R. 2266

OFFERED BY: MR. DEFazio

AMENDMENT NO. 1: At the end of the bill, insert after the last section (preceding the short title) the following new section:

SEC. . None of the funds made available in this Act may be obligated or expended for the public printing or binding of Government publications in contravention of measures established by the Joint Committee on Printing pursuant to section 103 of title 44, United States Code.

H.R. 2267

OFFERED BY: MR. CUMMINGS

AMENDMENT NO. 1: Under the heading "RELATED AGENCIES—LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION" insert after the first dollar sign the following: "(increased by \$199,000,000)".

Under the heading "DEPARTMENT OF STATE—RELATED AGENCIES—INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING OPERATION" insert after the first dollar sign the following: "(reduced by \$199,000,000)".