week, on account of illness in the family.

Ms. Danner (at the request of Mr. Gephard) for today, on account of the death of her mother.

Mrs. Carson (at the request of Mr. Gephardt) for today, on account of illness.

Mr. ENGEL (at the request of Mr. GEP-HARDT) for today, on account of illness.

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 Ms. Jackson-Lee of Texas) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. WISE, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. Christian-Green, for $5\ minutes$, today.

Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. Skaggs, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. PAPPAS) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. CANADY of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. METCALF, for 5 minutes, today. Mr. WOLF, for 5 minutes, on February

27.

Mr. Thune, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. KINGSTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. COBURN, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at his own request) to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. FOLEY, for 5 minutes, today.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

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

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas) and to include extraneous material:)

Mrs. Kennelly of Connecticut.

Mr. HAMILTON.

Mr. STARK.

Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island.

Mr. HALL of Ohio.

Mr. CUMMINGS.

Mr. Poshard.

Mrs. MINK of Hawaii.

Mr. RANGEL.

Mr. Sisisky.

Mr. Borski.

Mrs. Meek of Florida.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas.

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

Mr. Callahan.

Mrs. Roukema, in two instances.

Mr. GILMAN, in two instances.

Mr. Hyde, in two instances.

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

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida.

Mr. Hoyer.

Mr. MORAN.

Mr. TRAFICANT.

Mr. Solomon.

Mr. Petri.

Mr. SAXTON.

Mr. TALENT. Mr. LAHOOD.

Mr. Bonilla.

Mr. KLINK.

Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas.

Mr. NADLER.

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

Mr. Wolf.

Mr. ABERCROMBIE.

Mr. Kennedy of Massachusetts.

Mr. HALL of Ohio.

Mr. NUSSLE.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. NEUMANN. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 3 o'clock and 2 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, February 27, 1997, at 9 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

1914. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report on the transfer of property to the Republic of Panama under the Panama Canal Treaty of 1977 and related agreements, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 3784(b); to the Committee on National Security.

1915. A letter from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting notification that the Department's Vision 21 Plan will be transmitted to the Congress in the near future; to the Committee on National Security.

1916. A letter from the President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting the annual report to Congress on the operations of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for fiscal year 1996, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 635g(a); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services

1917. A letter from the Acting General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Indemnification of Department of Housing and Urban Development Employees [Docket No. FR-4143-F-01] (RIN: 2501-AC34) received February 21, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

1918. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule—Unemployment Insurance Program Letter [Letter No. 05-97] received February 25, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

1919. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting a corrected copy of a report on the cofiring of natural gas with coal in utility and large industrial boilers (EC 1843) which was transmitted February 25, 1997; to the Committee on Commerce.

1920. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State,

transmitting notification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for production of major military equipment with Norway (Transmittal No. DTC-66-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776 2776(d); to the Committee on International Relations.

1921. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting copies of international agreements, other than treaties, entered into by the United States, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

1922. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a listing of gifts by the U.S. Government to foreign individuals during fiscal year 1996, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2694(2); to the Committee on International Relations.

1923. A letter from the Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting the fiscal year 1996 annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act [FMFIA] of 1982, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1924. A letter from the Chair, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 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.

1925. A letter from the Assistant Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, transmitting the Office's report on the United States-Japan Fighter Aircraft Program; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1926. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Federal Acquisition Regulation; Introduction of Miscellaneous Amendments (DOD, GSA, NASA) [Federal Acquisition Circular 90-43] received January 9, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1927. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Federal Acquisition Regulation; FASA and the Walsh-Healey Public Contracts Act (DOD, GSA, NASA) [FAC 90-43, FAR Case 96-601, Item I] (RIN: 9000-AH31) received January 9, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1928. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Federal Acquisition Regulation; Individual and Class Deviations (DOD, GSA, NASA) [FAC 90-43; FAR Case 96-004; Item II] (RIN: 9000-AH32) received January 9, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1929. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Federal Acquisition Regulation; Use of Data Universal Numbering System as Primary Contractor Identification (DOD, GSA, NASA) [FAC 90-43, FAR Case 95-307, Item III] (RIN: 9000-AH33) received January 9, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1930. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Federal Acquisition Regulation; Inapplicability of Cost Accounting Standards to Contracts and Subcontracts for Commercial Items (DOD, GSA,

NASA) [FAC 90-43; FAR Case 96-310; Item IV] (RIN: 9000-AH01) received January 9, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1931. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule-Federal Ac quisition Regulation; Allowable Cost and Payment Clause (DOD, GSA, NASA) [FAC 90-43; FAR Case 93-024; Item V] (RIN: 9000-AG74) received January 9, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1932. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule-Federal Acquisition Regulation; Mentor Protege Program (DOD, GSA, NASA) [FAC 90-43; FAR Case 93-308; Item VI] (RIN: 9000-AG70) received January 9, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Govern-

ment Reform and Oversight.
1933. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Federal Acquisition Regulation; Minority Small Business and Capital Ownership (DOD, GSA, NASA) [FAC 90-43; FAR Case 95-028, Item VII] (RIN: 9000-AH34) received January 9, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

A letter from the Deputy Associate 1934. Administrator for Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule-Federal Acquisition Regulation; Extension of Small Business Competitiveness Demonstration Program (DOD, GSA, NASA) [FAC 90-43; FAR Case 96-328, Item VIII] (RIN: 9000-AH40) received January 9, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1935. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule-Federal Acquisition Regulation; Morale, Health, Welfare Costs/Contractor Overhead Certification (DOD, GSA, NASA) [FAC 90-43; FAR Case 92-613, Item IX] (RIN: 9000-AG85) received January 9, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1936. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Federal Ac quisition Regulation; Impairment of Long-Lived Assets (DOD, GSA, NASA) [FAC 90-43; FAR Case 95-003, Item X] (RIN: 9000-AG73) received January 9, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1937. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Federal Acquisition Regulation; Local Government Lobbying Costs (DOD, GSA, NASA) [FAC 90-43, FAR Case 96-003, Item XI] (RIN: 9000-AH35) received January 9, 1997, pursuant to 5

U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Gov-

ernment Reform and Oversight.

1938. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule-Federal Acquisition Regulation; Clause Flowdown (DOD, GSA, NASA) [FAC 90–43; FAR Case 92– 035, Item XII] (RIN: 9000-AG76) received January 9, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1939. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule-Federal Ac quisition Regulation; Collection of FASA-Related Information within the Federal Procurement Data System (DOD, GSA, NASA) [FAC 90-43; FAR Case 95-310, Item XIII] (RIN: 9000-AH36) received January 9, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1940. A letter from the Associate Administrator, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's 1996 annual report to the Congress; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1941. A letter from the Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting a copy of the annual report in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act during the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(i): to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1942. A letter from the Director, Peace Corps, 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 Re-

form and Oversight.

1943. A letter from the Marshal of the Court, Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting the annual report on the cost of the protective function provided by the Supreme Court Police to Justices, official guests and employees of the court, pursuant to 40 U.S.C. 13n(c); to the Committee on the Judiciary

1944. A letter from the Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, transmitting the Service's final rule-Classification of Certain Scientists of the Commonwealth of Independent States of the Former Soviet Union and the Baltic States as Employment-Based Immigrants [INS No. 1602-92] (RIN: 1115-AD33) received February 18, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1945. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting a detailed progress review of the research and development authorized under the act, pursuant to Public Law 101-425, section 10 (104 Stat. 919); to the Committee on Science.

1946. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Bureau of the Public Debt, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule-Government Securities Act Regulations: Recordkeeping (Bureau of the Public Debt) [17 CFR Part 404] received February 14, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1947. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission, transmitting a supplemental fiscal year 1997 request for additional funds, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 437d(d)(1); jointly, to the Committees on Appropriations and House Oversight.

1948. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission, transmitting its amended fiscal year 1998 budget request and justification, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 437d(d)(1); jointly, to the Committees on Appropriations and House Oversight.

1949. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's obligation of funds for additional program proposals for purposes of Nonproliferation and Disarmament Fund [NDF] activities, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 5858; jointly, to the Committees on International Relations and Appropriations.

1950. A letter from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting the annual report of the Secretary of Commerce to the Congress for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1995, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 1519; jointly, to the Committees on Commerce, Ways and Means, Government Reform and Oversight, the Judi-

ciary, Science, Transportation and Infrastructure, Banking and Financial Services, and International Relations.

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. GILMAN (for himself and Mr. FILNER):

H.R. 836. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to deem certain service in the organized military forces of the Government of the Commonwealth of the Philippines and the Philippine Scouts to have been active service for purposes of benefits under programs administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans'

By Mr. BACHUS:

H.R. 837. A bill to improve the administration of the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mrs. CHENOWETH (for herself, Mr. CRAPO, and Mr. SMITH of Oregon):

H.R. 838. A bill to require adoption of a management plan for the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area that allows appropriate use of motorized and nonmotorized river craft in the recreation area, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources

> By Mr. CONYERS (for himself, Mr. DELLUMS, Mr. EVANS, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, and Ms. WATERS):

H.R. 839. A bill to amend the United States Housing Act of 1937 to require the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to administer a program of construction and revitalization of public housing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

By Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania (for himself, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. Fox of Pennsylvania, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. FROST, Mr. MASCARA, and FATTAH):

H.R. 840. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to disregard certain amounts of capital expenditures in applying \$10,000,000 limit on such issues, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania (for himself, Mr. MATSUI, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. GEJDENSON, and Mr. WAXMAN):

H.R. 841. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 relating to the unemployment tax for individuals employed in the entertainment industry; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania (for himself and Mr. HOLDEN):

H.R. 842. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt small issues from the restrictions on the deduction by financial institutions for interest; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. FORD (for himself, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. THOMPSON, Mr. REYES, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. JACKSON, Mr. MALONEY of Connecticut, Ms. JACK-SON-LEE, Mr. CLYBURN, Ms. McKIN-NEY, Mr. STARK, Mr. HINOJOSA, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, and Ms. KILPATRICK):

H.R. 843. A bill to prohibit the location of solid and hazardous waste facilities near residential, day care, church, and school properties; to the Committee on Commerce.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Florida: H.R. 844. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the disposition of a