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Mr. MINGE changed his vote from "yea" to "nay.

Mr. MENENDEZ changed his vote from "nay" to "yea." So the conference report was agreed

to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. MILLENDER-McDONALD. Mr. Speaker, during rollcall vote No. 394 on H.R. 2016 I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea".

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD). Pursuant to clause 5 of rule I, the pending business is the question of agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of the last day's proceed-

ings.
Pursuant to clause 1, rule I the Journal stands approved.

APPOINTMENT OF CONFEREES ON H.R. 2159, FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING, AND LATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIA-TIONS ACT, 1998

Mr. CALLAHAN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table the bill (H.R. 2159) making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes, with a Senate amendment thereto, disagree to the Senate amendment, and agree to the conference asked by the Senate.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Alabama?

There was no objection.

MOTION TO INSTRUCT OFFERED BY MS. PELOSI Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I offer a motion to instruct.

The Clerk read as follows:

Ms. PELOSI moves that the managers on the part of the House at the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the bill H.R. 2159, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related financing for the fiscal year 1998, be instructed to insist on the provision of the House bill with respect to providing \$650 million for the Child Survival and Disease Programs Fund, including \$50 million for combatting infectious diseases.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentlewoman from California [Ms. PELOSI] and the gentleman from Alabama [Mr. CALLAHAN] will each be recognized for 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentle-woman from California [Ms. PELOSI].

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume. Mr. Speaker, I have chosen to make the Child Survival and Disease Programs Fund the subject of my motion to instruct on the foreign operations appropriations bill because of its vital importance and to reinforce a top priority of the House with respect to this

The House, under the leadership of Chairman CALLAHAN, included \$650 million for the Child Survival and Disease Programs Fund in order to emphasize that child survival and its programs to reduce infant mortality and to improve the health and nutrition of children in the poorest nations of the world should be our highest priority in our foreign assistance programs.

This year's bill contains an increase of \$50 million over the amounts provided last year specifically to combat infectious diseases around the world. These funds will add to the funds already planned to combat diseases such as HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, polio, yellow fever, malaria, and measles. The Senate bill does not segregate these funds in a separate account, and provides for only \$30 million to combat infectious diseases.

The passage of this motion, which I am confident the Chairman will support, will strengthen the position of the House as we go into conference. I look forward to working with Chairman CALLAHAN in securing conference approval for this funding in a separate account, and at a full amount of \$650 million.

In addition, I look forward to working cooperatively with Chairman CAL-LAHAN, as we have so far, in achieving a conference agreement on foreign operations which funds all the programs in the bill at a level which will allow for sufficient resources to preserve the U.S. role of the world's only remaining superpower.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. CALLAHAN. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I have received broad bipartisan support for the appropriations account I created several years ago for child survival and disease pro-

grams. This funding is intended to help protect the children of the world and to help stem the tide of infectious diseases that threaten both our children and ourselves.

We provided funding of \$600 million for these activities in fiscal year 1997. Although the administration proposed to slash these funds by \$44 million in 1998, we rejected that cut. In fact, we added \$50 million, for a total of \$650 million, to the child survival and disease programs fund, in order to focus on the growing problem of infectious diseases throughout the world.

Even before this year's initiative, the Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing and Related Programs launched an effort 3 years ago to wipe out polio throughout the world. We are providing \$25 million a year to assist Rotary International to fulfill its noble goal of eliminating this disease in Asia and Africa. That goal is within our grasp, and I am pleased that the subcommittee has been able to assist Rotary Clubs from around the Nation in this program.

But that is not enough. Tuberculosis continues to strike young people and children throughout the world. In fact, up to 30 million people may die from this disease in the next decade. In addition, health experts now realize that acute respiratory infections kill more children than any other disease. While these diseases are a threat to children everywhere, they are also a direct threat to the United States, due to the huge increase of international travel and migration in the last few years.

In addition, there have been confirmed reports of malaria and yellow fever in our own country. These diseases infected millions of Americans. and caused untold misery early in our history. We need to try to prevent outbreaks from these diseases from occurring again.

The committee has recommended an increase of \$50 million for activities to detect, control, and to prevent the spread of these and other communicable diseases. I regret that the administration does not consider child survival and disease programs to be a high priority. I am pleased that the Senate has turned its attention to this problem by providing an increase for infectious disease, but I am disappointed that they could not provide the protection of a separate appropriations account for child survival.

However, with the support of my good friend, the ranking Democrat on my committee, the gentlewoman from California [Ms. PELOSI], and with strong support of our subcommittee and strong support of the House, I am most certain that we will this year, as we did last year, prevail once again in Conference.

I thank very much the gentlewoman from California [Ms. PELOSI] for her motion to instruct the conferees, which I wholeheartedly support, and I urge the House to adopt her motion.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. CALLAHAN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on the motion to instruct the conferees on H.R. 2159, making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Alabama?

There was no objection.
Mr. CALLAHAN. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I am grateful to our chairman for his support for this motion, for what some of us call the Callahan child survival account. I just want to remind our colleagues there is nothing new in what this motion to instruct calls for. Members have already voted for this dollar amount and this separate account. The purpose of this motion to instruct is to make this a priority in the conference and support the leadership of our chairman, the gentleman from Alabama [Mr. CAL-LAHAN] on this.

Mr. CALLAHAN. Mr. Speaker, will

the gentlewoman yield?

Ms. PELOSI. I yield to the gentleman from Alabama.

Mr. CALLAHAN. Mr. Speaker, since this provision has been dubbed the Callahan amendment, Mr. Speaker, we have still been unsuccessful in convincing the administration of its importance. So maybe we ought to change the name of the Callahan amendment to the Pelosi amendment.

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, maybe it should be the Clinton amendment.

Mr. CALLAHAN. Mr. Speaker, it still remains unpopular on Pennsylvania Avenue, and I am certain if we dub it the Pelosi amendment, then in next year's request they indeed would include it in their request. Or maybe we could do better. Maybe we could ensure that if someday there might be a Republican President, maybe we could name it the Pelosi-Callahan amendment, and thus ensure its inclusion in any bill submitted to this Congress.

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for his most generous remarks. I do not accept his characterization of what name would be preferred in order to have this accepted by

the administration. Mr. Speaker, I do wish to say that the Clinton administration indeed has a strong interest and places a high priority on child survival. We think this is the better way to go about it, but we look forward to working with them as, again, the only remaining superpower in the world to assume and maintain our leadership in this humanitarian

Mr. Speaker, I urge our colleagues to support the motion to instruct, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. question is on the motion to instruct

offered by the gentlewoman from California [Ms. PELOSI].

The motion was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the Chair appoints the following conferees: Messrs. CALLAHAN, PORTER, WOLF, PACKARD. FORBES. KNOLLENBERG. KINGSTON. FRELINGHUYSEN, LIVINGSTON, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. YATES, Mrs. LOWEY, and Messrs. FOGLIETTA, TORRES, and OBEY. There was no objection.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 5 p.m.

Accordingly (at 4 o'clock and 13 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess until approximately 5 p.m.

□ 1711

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore [Mrs. EMERSON] at 5 o'clock and 11 minutes p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 5, rule I, the Chair will now put the question on each motion to suspend the rules on which further proceedings were postponed earlier today in the order in which that motion was entertained. Votes will be taken in the following order:

H.R. 1254:

House Concurrent Resolution 95; House Concurrent Resolution 109: H.R. 1903;

S. 910:

House Concurrent Resolution 134; and S. 562.

All votes are de novo.

The Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the time for any electronic vote after the first such vote in this series.

JOHN N. GRIESEMER POST OFFICE BUILDING

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question de novo of suspending the rules and passing the bill, H.R. 1252, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New York [Mr. MCHUGH] that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 1252, as amended.

The question was taken: and (twothirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The title of the bill was amended so as to read: "A bill to designate the United States Post Office building located at 1919 West Bennett Street in Springfield, Missouri, as the 'John N. Griesemer Post Office Building'.''.

COMMENDING AMERICAN AIRMEN HELD POLITICAL PRISONERS AT BUCHENWALD

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question de novo of suspending the rules and agreeing to the concurrent resolution, House Concurrent Resolution 95.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Florida [Mr. MICA] that the House suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution, H.Con.Res. 95.

The question was taken; and (twothirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the concurrent resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

HONORING THE CONTRIBUTIONS JIMMY STEWART MADE TO THE NATION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question de novo of suspending the rules and agreeing to the concurrent resolution, House Concurrent Resolution 109.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Florida [Mr. MICA] that the House suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution, House Concurrent Resolution 109.

The question was taken; and (twothirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the concurrent resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

COMPUTER SECURITY ENHANCEMENT ACT OF 1997

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question de novo of suspending the rules and passing the bill, H.R. 1903, as amended

The Clerk read the title of the bill The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Florida [Mr. MICA] that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 1903, as amended.

The question was taken; and (twothirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

□ 1715

EARTHQUAKE HAZARDS REDUC-TION ACT OF 1977 AUTHORIZA-TION

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. EMERSON). The pending business is the