

approved October 13, 1997). I have determined that the cancellation of these amounts will reduce the Federal budget deficit, will not impair any essential Government functions, and will not harm the national interest. This letter, together with its attachments, constitutes a special message under section 1022 of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974, as amended.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 7, 1997, the Secretary of the Senate, on October 15, 1997, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. MORELLA) has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 2158. An act making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans' Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2169. An act making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 7, 1997, the enrolled bills were signed on October 15, 1997, during the adjournment of the Senate by the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

MEASURES REFERRED

Pursuant to the order of March 3, 1988, the following bill was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation for a period not to exceed 30 days of session:

S. 1046. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the National Science Foundation, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on October 10, 1997, he had presented to the President of the United States, the following enrolled bill:

S. 1000. An act to designate the United States courthouse at 500 State Avenue in Kansas City, Kansas, as the "Robert J. Dole United States Courthouse."

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-3093. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Hunting" (RIN1018-E14) received on September 24, 1997; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-3094. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and

Minerals Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, three rules including a rule entitled "Nonmineral Entries on Mineral Lands" (RIN1004-C65, AC92, AC98); to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3095. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation to amend the Act which established the Frederick Law Olmsted National Historic Site; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3096. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation to amend the Act which established the Richmond National Battlefield Park; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3097. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "The Demonstration and Commercial Application of Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Technologies Program"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3098. A communication from the Director of the Office of Rulemaking Coordination, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3099. A communication from the Director of the Office of Surface Mining, Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Ohio Regulatory Program (VA106FOR) received on October 8, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3100. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and Minerals Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Delegation of Authority (RIN1004-AD09) received on September 18, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3101. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, notices of a retirement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3102. A communication from the Chief of the Programs and Legislation Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of a cost comparison relative to Kennel Management; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3103. A communication from the Chief of the Programs and Legislation Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of a cost comparison from the Chief of the U.S. Strategic Command; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3104. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Force Management Policy), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to institutions of higher education; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3105. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Modification of Requirement for Conversion of Military Positions to Civilian Positions"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3106. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of Defense Manpower Requirements; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3107. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, a notice relative to the Strategic Plan for Arlington National Cemetery; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-3108. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans' Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, seven rules including a rule entitled "Survivors and Dependents Education" (RIN2900-AI45, AI21, AI50, AI92, AI65, AI72, AI70); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-3109. A communication from the Acting Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on veterans' employment in the Federal government for fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-3110. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Federally-Sponsored Research on Persian Gulf Veterans' Illnesses"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-3111. A communication from the Secretary-Designate of Veterans' Affairs, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation to redesignate the title of the National Cemetery System; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-3112. A communication from the Executive Director of the National Capital Planning Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar years 1992 through 1996; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3113. A communication from the Director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, three rules including a rule entitled "Inmate Discipline and Good Conduct Time" (RIN1120-AA34, AA62, AA33) received on September 26, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3114. A communication from the Director of the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to capital habeas petitions and motions; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3115. A communication from the Attorney General, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Department of Justice Strategic Plan for calendar years 1997 through 2002; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3116. A communication from the Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the operation of the premerger notification program; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3117. A communication from the Chairperson of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Equal Educational Opportunity and Nondiscrimination for Students with Disabilities: Federal Enforcement of Section 504"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3118. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Changes to Patent Practice and Procedure" (RIN0651-AA80) received on October 2, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3119. A communication from the Commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules including a rule entitled "Interim Designation of Acceptable Documents for Employment Verification" (RIN1115-AE94, AB93); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3120. A communication from the Director of the U.S. Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the verifiability of the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3121. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Agency For International Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Niger; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3122. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Five Year Strategic Plan (1997-2002); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3123. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of Conventions, Recommendations and Protocol; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3124. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, the report of the texts of international agreements, other than treaties, and background statements; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3125. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, the report of the texts of international agreements, other than treaties, and background statements; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3126. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a Presidential Determination relative to Ireland; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3127. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Visas" received on September 18, 1997; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3128. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a notice of a proposed issuance of an export license; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

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EC-3135. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a notice of a proposed issuance of an export license; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3136. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "The Indian Highway Safety Program Competitive Grant Selection Criteria" (RIN1076-AD82) received on October 17, 1997; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-3137. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Ballistic Missile Defense; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-3138. A communication from the Director of the Office of Insular Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The Northern Mariana Islands Covenant Implementation Act"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3139. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans' Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules including a rule entitled "Informed Consent for Patient Care" (RIN2900-AH72, AI16) received on October 14, 1997; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-3140. A communication from the Staff Director of the U.S. Commission On Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1996; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3141. A communication from the Director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Drug Abuse Treatment and Intensive Confinement Center Programs" (RIN1120-AA66) received on October 10, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3142. A communication from the General Counsel of the Executive Office for Immigration Review, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Suspension of Deportation and Cancellation of Removal" (RIN1125-AA19) received on October 16, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3143. A communication from the Commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Affidavits of Support on Behalf of Immigrants" (RIN1115-AE58) received on October 16, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3144. A communication from the National Commander of the American Ex-Prisoners of War, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the audit of the financial statements for the years ended August 31, 1996 and 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3145. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of notices of the proposed issuance of export licenses; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3146. A communication from the Deputy Director of the Russia-NIS Program Office, U.S. and Foreign Commercial Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "The Cooperative Agreement Program" received on September 18, 1997; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3147. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the U.S. government voluntary contributions to international organizations for the period October 1, 1996 through March 31, 1997; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3148. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Program Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3149. A communication from the Chairman of the Postal Rate Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Inspector General Act for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3150. A communication from the President of the Inter-American Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3151. A communication from the Executive Director of the Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997 and the report of the Office of Inspector General; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3152. A communication from the Co-Chair of the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997 and the report of the Office of Inspector General; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3153. A communication from the Acting Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund for fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3154. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "The Costs and Benefits of Federal Regulations"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3155. A communication from the U.S. Office of Special Counsel, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan for fiscal years 1997 through 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3156. A communication from the Chairman of the National Capital Planning Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan for fiscal years 1997 through 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3157. A communication from the Administrator of the General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan for fiscal years 1998 through 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3158. A communication from the Architect of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3159. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Policy, Management and Budget, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Department of the Interior Acquisition Regulation System" (RIN1090-AA65) received on October 2, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3160. A communication from the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-106 adopted by the Council on July 1, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3161. A communication from the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-127 adopted by the Council on July 1, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3162. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "District's Purchase of Presidential Inaugural Tickets"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3163. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Audit of the District of Columbia's Crime Victims

Compensation Program For the Period October 1, 1993 through February 28, 1997"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3164. A communication from the Executive Director of the Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind Or Severely Disabled, transmitting, pursuant to law, additions to the procurement list received on September 29, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3165. A communication from the Director for Executive Budgeting and Assistance Management, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Grants and Cooperative Agreements" received on September 15, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3166. A communication from the Acting Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules including a rule entitled "Prevailing Rate Systems" (RIN3206-A104, A102); to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3167. A communication from the Acting Executive Director of the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a report for a notice and order received on October 14, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3168. A communication from the Chief of the Natural Resources Conservation Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "The Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program" (RIN0578-AA21) received on September 26, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3169. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, three rules including a rule entitled "Funding and Fiscal Affairs" (RIN3052-AB75, AB64, AB73); to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3170. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan for fiscal years 1997 through 2002; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3171. A communication from the Chief Financial Officer of the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan for fiscal years 1998 through 2003; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3172. A communication from the Chairman of the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on September 23, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3173. A communication from the Administrator of Rural Development, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Settlement of Debt Owed by Electric Borrowers" (RIN0572-AB26) received on September 24, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3174. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Food and Consumer Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Food Distribution Programs" received on October 16, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3175. A communication from the Administrator of the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Fees for Official Inspection" (RIN0580-AA56) received on September 19, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3176. A communication from the Administrator of the Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pur-

suant to law, three rules including a rule entitled "The Tree Assistance Program" (RIN0560-AF17, AF04, AF23); to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3177. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, seven rules including a rule entitled "Commuted Traveltime Periods"; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3178. A communication from the Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, eleven rules including a rule entitled "Almonds Grown in California"; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3179. A communication from the Deputy Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans" received on October 9, 1997; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3180. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Federal contractors; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3181. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Federal Perkins Loan Program" (RIN1840-AC40) received on September 23, 1997; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3182. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Comprehensive Community Mental Health Services for Children and Adolescents with Serious Emotional Disturbances and Their Families Program; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3183. A communication from the Secretary of Education and the Secretary of Labor, transmitting jointly, pursuant to law, a report relative to the School-to-Work Opportunities Act; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3184. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan for fiscal years 1997 through 2002; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3185. A communication from the Director of the Institute of Museum and Library Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan for fiscal years 1997 through 2002; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3186. A communication from the Board Members of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan for fiscal years 1997 through 2002; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3187. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan for fiscal years 1997 through 2002; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3188. A communication from the Director of the National Science Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3189. A communication from the Inspector General of the U.S. Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, a report relative to an Inspector General; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3190. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Public Health Service,

Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Grants for Residency Training and Advanced Education in the General Practice of Dentistry" received on October 2, 1997; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3191. A communication from the Director of Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Office of Policy, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, twelve rules entitled "Investigational Device Exemptions"; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-3192. A communication from the President and Chairman of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3193. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation to amend section 1129 of the Bankruptcy Code; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3194. A communication from the Inspector General of the Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on improving export control mechanisms and on military assistance; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3195. A communication from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The Urban Empowerment Zones Partnership Act of 1997"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3196. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports entitled "The Impact of Recent Technological Advances on the Securities Markets" and "State Licensing Requirements for Associated Persons of Broker-Dealers"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3197. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the national flood insurance program; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3198. A communication from the Managing Director of the Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Revision of Financing Corporation Operations Regulation" (RIN3069-AA57) received on September 26, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3199. A communication from the Acting General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Assessment of the Reasonable Revitalization Potential of Certain public Housing Required by Law" received on October 9, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3200. A communication from the Director of the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Revision of Section 30.56(b)" (RIN0607-AA23) received on September 16, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3201. A communication from the Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Administrator of National Banks, Comptroller of the Currency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Assessment of Fees" received on October 16, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3202. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on October 6, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3203. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules including a rule entitled "Satellite Fuel" (RIN0694-AB09, AB60); to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3204. A communication from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice relative to Ginnie Mae; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3205. A communication from the Managing Director of the Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Technical Amendment to the Community Support Requirement" (RIN3069-AA35) received on September 18, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3206. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on September 19, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3207. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Colombia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3208. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to national emergencies; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3209. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the privatization of EDGAR; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3210. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to shareholder proposals; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3211. A communication from the Secretary of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, four rules including a rule entitled "Transfer Agent's Obligations to Search for Lost Securityholders" (RIN3235-AG99, AG85, AG72); to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3212. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. International Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to trade; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3213. A communication from the Acting Commissioner of Social Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Options for Enhancing the Social Security Card"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3214. A communication from the Acting Commissioner of Social Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to continuing disability reviews for fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3215. A communication from the Commissioner of Social Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3216. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. International Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3217. A communication from the Assistant Commissioner (Examination), Internal

Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of two rules received on September 23, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3218. A communication from the Chief Counsel of the Bureau of the Public Debt, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on September 25, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3219. A communication from the Executive Secretary of the Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Technical Amendments To Regulations of the Foreign-Trade Zones Board" (RIN0625-AA49) received on October 10, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3220. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules including a rule entitled "Import Restrictions Imposed On Archaeological Artifacts From Mali" (RIN1515-AC22, AC24); to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3221. A communication from the Chief, Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of Announcements 97-103 and 97-107; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3222. A communication from the Chief, Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of Notices 97-51, 97-54, 97-57; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3223. A communication from the Chief, Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of Revenue Procedures 97-44, 97-45, 97-46, 97-47, 97-48; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3224. A communication from the Chief, Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of Revenue Rulings: 97-38, 97-41, 97-42, 97-43; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3225. A communication from the Chief, Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of four Treasury Regulations (RIN1545-AU92, AT60, AU88, AU79); to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3226. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan for fiscal years 1997 through 2002; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3227. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan for fiscal years 1997 through 2002; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3228. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan for fiscal years 1997 through 2002; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3229. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan for fiscal years 1997 through 2002; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3230. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3231. A communication from the Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3232. A communication from the Chairman, Interagency Coordinating Committee on Oil Pollution Research, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to oil pollution; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3233. A communication from the Director of the Bureau of Transportation Statistics, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report for 1997; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3234. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a certification relative to Suriname; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3235. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to voluntary consensus technical standards; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3236. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Telecommunications and Information Infrastructure Assistance Program grants for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3237. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to quieter airplanes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3238. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to spectrum auctions; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3239. A communication from the Assistant Administrator of the Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule concerning the Dean John A. Knauss Marine Policy Fellowship Program (RIN0648-ZA30) received on September 29, 1997; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3240. A communication from the Director of the Office of Global Programs, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule concerning the Climate and Global Change Program received on October 7, 1997; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3241. A communication from the Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, four rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3242. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on September 26, 1997; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3243. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, eight rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3244. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, twenty-eight rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3245. A communication from the Acting Managing Director, Performance Evaluation

and Records Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, twelve rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3246. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the clean water needs survey; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3247. A communication from the Inspector General of the Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the audit of Department of Defense Superfund financial transactions for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3248. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Successful Telecommuting Programs in the Public and Private Sectors"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3249. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Implementation of the National Intelligent Transportation System Program"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3250. A communication from the Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on October 7, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3251. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan for fiscal years 1997 through 2002; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3252. A communication from the Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on October 14, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3253. A communication from the Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on October 14, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3254. A communication from the Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on October 15, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3255. A communication from the Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on October 15, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3256. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the benefits and costs of the Clean Air Act from 1970 to 1990; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3257. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3258. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules received on October 1, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3259. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection

Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule received on October 2, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3260. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, five rules received on October 2, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3261. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, seven rules received on October 9, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3262. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, ten rules received on October 16, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3263. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice relative to the strategic plan; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3264. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a river bank erosion control and bluff stabilization project; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3265. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a storm damage reduction and shoreline protection project; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3266. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a storm damage reduction project; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3267. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a flood damage reduction and agricultural water supply project; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3268. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to navigation improvements for Boston Harbor, Massachusetts; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3269. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a flood damage reduction project; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-242. A resolution adopted by the Council of the City of South Dayton, Florida relative to the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

POM-243. A resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Allenhurst, New Jersey relative to the proposed "Ocean Celebration Day"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

POM-244. A resolution adopted by the Council of the City of Plantation, Florida relative to the Intermodal Surface Transpor-

tation Efficiency Act; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

POM-245. A resolution adopted by the National Association of State Treasurers relative to the automated standard application for payments system; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

POM-246. A resolution adopted by the Junior Order United American Mechanics relative to illegal aliens; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

POM-247. A resolution adopted by the Junior Order United American Mechanics relative to the American Flag; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

POM-248. A resolution adopted by the Junior Order United American Mechanics relative to prayer and Bible in public schools; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

POM-249. A resolution adopted by the Junior Order United American Mechanics relative to American security and sovereignty; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

POM-250. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of California; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 5

Whereas, The debate surrounding the impacts of chemical weapon agents and the Gulf War Syndrome are both overdue and have not been far-reaching enough; and

Whereas, The White House, Congress, and the Department of Defense struggle to understand the enigmatic illnesses troubling our Gulf War veterans; and

Whereas, The basic question of whether the illnesses experienced by troops serving in the Gulf War were the result of some specific and unusual exposure related to that service has not been answered conclusively; and

Whereas, The Department of Defense has confirmed that American forces had been in the presence of Iraqi chemical munitions at Khamisiyah, a weapons storage site destroyed by American forces at the end of the war, and that exposure was possible; and

Whereas, The Department of Defense, in cooperation with the CIA and other agencies, are conducting extensive investigations, reaching out to more than 20,000 service personnel who may have been in the vicinity of Khamisiyah at the time of the possible release of chemical agents; and

Whereas, The Department of Defense has committed to continue efforts to investigate this incident, and any similar incidents that are identified, and spare no resource in this effort; and

Whereas, The Pentagon is seeking proposals on studies focusing on the impact of low-level exposure to chemical weapons and has earmarked \$10 million for the study; and

Whereas, The Presidential Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans Illnesses established by President Clinton on May 26, 1995, has released its final report calling for continued and extensive investigation and study of this issue; and

Whereas, Nobel Prize winning geneticist, Dr. Joshua Lederberg, may revise the findings of his investigation into veterans' claims regarding Gulf War Syndrome, because of new information; and

Whereas, The Pentagon and Congress of the United States are attempting to limit research to approximately two years to identify problems in connection with Gulf War Syndrome; and

Whereas, The California Legislature finds this action unacceptable and therefore supports continued research to address this extremely serious problem: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly and Senate of the State of California, jointly, That the Legislature of the State of California respectfully memorializes the President and Congress to