

AEROSTAT

Adv FA Tac Data Sys
Bradley—BFIST
Improved Cargo Helicopter (ICH)
Force XXI Battle Command
WIN ISYSCON Segment 1
JCPMS
JTACS
AGCCS

DON

Extended Range Guided Munitions (ERGM)
AV-8 B Safety, Reliability, and Operational
Enhancements

USAF

Cockpit Life Support System Improvement
GBS Theater Injection Points
GBS Fiber Connectivity
Precision Guided Munitions
Sensor to Shooter
Aging Aircraft
Engine Contractor Interim Performance
(CIP)
Precision Guided Munitions
Sensor to Shooter
AWACS Extend Sentry
Nuclear C2
GCCS
GPS Systems
Range Standardization and Automation
Spacetrack

SOF

AC-130 Lethality Enhancements RDT&E

MILCON

ARMY

Arrival/Departure Airfield Control Group
(DACG)

THE VERY BAD DEBT BOXSCORE

Mr. HELMS. Mr. President, at the close of business yesterday, Tuesday, April 15, 1997, the Federal debt stood at \$5,383,116,230,748.81. Five trillion, three hundred eighty-three billion, one hundred sixteen million, two hundred thirty thousand, seven hundred forty-eight dollars and eighty-one cents.

One year ago, April 15, 1996, the Federal debt stood at \$5,140,011,000,000. Five trillion, one hundred forty billion, eleven million.

Five years ago, April 15, 1992, the Federal debt stood at \$3,902,117,000,000. Three trillion, nine hundred two billion, one hundred seventeen million.

Ten years ago, April 15, 1987, the Federal debt stood at \$2,281,470,000,000. Two trillion, two hundred eighty-one billion, four hundred seventy million.

Fifteen years ago, April 15, 1982, the Federal debt stood at \$1,064,434,000,000. One trillion, sixty-four billion, four hundred thirty-four million—which reflects a debt increase of more than \$4 trillion—\$4,318,682,230,748.81—four trillion, three hundred eighteen billion, six hundred eighty-two million, two hundred thirty thousand, seven hundred forty-eight dollars and eighty-one cents—during the past 15 years.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages

from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

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-1554. A communication from the general counsel of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Thrift Savings Plan Loans" received on April 14, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1555. A communication from the chairman of the Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Government in the Sunshine Act for calendar year 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1556. A communication from the Tennessee Valley Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Government in the Sunshine Act for calendar year 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1557. A communication from the board members of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Government in the Sunshine Act for calendar year 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1558. A communication from the District of Columbia auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the audit of ANC 1B for the period October 1, 1993 through December 30, 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1559. A communication from the executive director of the D.C. Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the D.C. financial plan and budget for fiscal year 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1560. A communication from the executive director of the D.C. Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, two reports including a report entitled "Recommendations for Performance Measurement—Department of Administrative Services"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1561. A communication from the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 11-458 adopted by the Council on November 25, 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1562. A communication from the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 11-524 adopted by the Council on December 3, 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1563. A communication from the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-45 adopted by the Council on March 4, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1564. A communication from the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-46 adopted by the Council on March 4, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1565. A communication from the administrator from the Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, trans-

mitting, pursuant to law, the report of five rules including one rule relative to hazelnuts, received on April 14, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1566. A communication from the congressional review coordinator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule relative to disease status, received on April 9, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1567. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report concerning the national emergency with respect to Angola; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1568. A communication from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Moving Toward a Lead-Safe America"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1569. A communication from the president and chairman of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report with respect to transactions involving exports to various countries; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1570. A communication from the president and chairman of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report with respect to transactions involving exports to Mexico; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1571. A communication from the chairman of the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for calendar year 1996; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1572. A communication from the assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report with respect to the rule entitled "Regulation M, Consumer Leasing Act, Docket number R-0952," received on March 27, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1573. A communication from the assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the Electronic Fund Transfer Act, received on March 31, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1574. A communication from the assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the Availability of Consumer Identify Information and Financial Fraud, April 1, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1575. A communication from the chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1576. A communication from the chairman of the board of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 1996 annual report; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1577. A communication from the Office of Thrift Supervision, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual consumer report for calendar year 1996; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1578. A communication from the Federal Liaison Office of the Office of Thrift Supervision, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule relative to economic growth, received

on March 28, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1579. A communication from the secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule relative to penalty reductions, received on March 27, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1580. A communication from the secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule relative to its informal guidance program, received on March 27, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1581. A communication from the secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule relative to investment advisory programs, received on March 27, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1582. A communication from the secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule relative to investment companies, (RIN3235-AH09) received on April 3, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second time by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. CAMPBELL:

S. 587. A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to exchange certain lands located in Hinsdale County, Colorado; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S. 588. A bill to provide for the expansion of the Eagles Nest Wilderness within the Arapaho National Forest and the White River National Forest, Colorado, to include land known as the State Creek Addition; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S. 589. A bill to provide for a boundary adjustment and land conveyance involving the Raggeds Wilderness, White River National Forest, Colorado, to correct the effects of earlier erroneous land surveys; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S. 590. A bill to provide for a land exchange involving certain land within the Routt National Forest in the State of Colorado; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S. 591. A bill to transfer the Dillon Ranger District in the Arapaho National Forest to the White River National Forest in the State of Colorado; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. HOLLINGS (for himself, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. BIDEN, and Mr. ROBB):

S. 592. A bill to grant the power to the President to reduce budget authority; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. SPECTER:

S. 593. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to impose a flat tax only on individual taxable earned income and business taxable income, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. COVERDELL, Mr. GLENN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. MACK, Mr. ROBB, Mr. SPECTER, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. D'AMATO, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. WARNER):

S. 594. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the tax treatment of qualified State tuition programs; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BOND (for himself and Mr. ASHCROFT):

S. 595. A bill to designate the United States Post Office building located at Bennett Street and Kansas Expressway in Springfield, Missouri, as the "John Griesemer Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. KOHL (for himself and Mr. COCHRAN):

S. 596. A bill to authorize the Administrator of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention of the Department of Justice to make grants to States and units of local government to assist in providing secure facilities for violent and serious chronic juvenile offenders, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. REID, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. INOUE, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. TORRICELLI, and Mr. MACK):

S. 597. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage under part B of the medicare program of medical nutrition therapy services furnished by registered dietitians and nutrition professionals; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DOMENICI:

S. 598. A bill to amend section 3006A of title 18, United States Code, to provide for the public disclosure of court appointed attorneys' fees upon approval of such fees by the court; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 599. A bill to protect children and other vulnerable subpopulations from exposure to certain environmental pollutants, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. GRASSLEY):

S. 600. A bill to protect the privacy of the individual with respect to the social security number and other personal information, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. MOYNIHAN (for himself, Mr. MACK, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. LOTT, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. HELMS, Mr. D'AMATO, Mr. KYL, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. ASHCROFT, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. BOND, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. BRYAN, Mr. BURNS, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. CLELAND, Mr. COATS, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. DODD, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. FAIRCLOTH, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRIST, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRAMM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUE, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KEMPTHORNE, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERREY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KOHL, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MCCAIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. REED, Mr. ROBB, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SMITH, Mr. SMITH, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. STEVENS, Mr.

THOMPSON, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Con. Res. 21. A concurrent resolution congratulating the residents of Jerusalem and the people of Israel on the thirtieth anniversary of the reunification of that historic city, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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PUBLIC LANDS LEGISLATION

Mr. CAMPBELL. Mr. President, today I introduce five pieces of legislation affecting Federal lands in my home State of Colorado.

The purpose of these bills is to facilitate the process of consolidating our Federal lands into contiguous blocks which makes their management more efficient and less costly.

Much of the land over which the Bureau of Land Management and the U.S. Forest Service has management authority contains numerous inholdings which may have been old mining claims or other privately owned parcels. This patchwork ownership often creates management problems. For example, a particular parcel may block the public's access to other Federal lands. The presence of an inholding may limit the tools which can be used by the Federal agency to manage the land. If a controlled fire is needed to clear underbrush or stop the spread of insects, the presence of private land in the midst of the area may well preclude the use of fire as a management tool. All these considerations require much more time, and adds to the expense of caring for Federal lands.

Whenever an owner of these private parcels willingly offers to sell or exchange their lands, it is important that the Federal Government is able to accomplish these transactions to increase