

By Mr. HELMS, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with a preamble:

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S. Con. Res. 41: An original concurrent resolution calling for a United States initiative seeking a just and peaceful resolution of the situation on Cyprus.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. THURMOND, from the Committee on Armed Services:

Rudy deLeon, of California, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness.

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that he be confirmed, subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.)

By Mr. HELMS, from the Committee on Foreign Relations:

Karl Frederick Inderfurth, of North Carolina, to be Assistant Secretary of State for South Asian Affairs.

Linda Jane Zack Tarr-Whelan, of Virginia, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as United States Representative to the Commission on the Status of Women of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations.

Richard Sklar, of California, to be Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for UN Management and Reform, with the Rank of Ambassador.

A. Peter Burleigh, of California, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be the Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary.

Gordon D. Giffin, of Georgia, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Canada.

The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.

Nominee: Gordon D. Giffin.

Post: Ambassador to Canada.

Contributions, Amount, Date Donee

1. Self, See attached schedule.

2. Spouse, See attached schedule.

3. Children and Spouses Names, Kelley Giffin, none.

4. Parents Names, Earl K. Giffin—Deceased—none.

Sarah Gwen Giffin—Retired—none.

5. Grandparents Names, all grandparents have been deceased for more than ten years. I am confident that no political contributions were made by them in the last thirty years.

6. Brothers and Spouses Names, none.

7. Sisters and Spouses Names, Cheryl Carter—none. Richard Carter—none.

Schedule A.—Political Contributions By Gordon D. Giffin and Patti A. Giffin

1993:	
4/19/93 Chuck Robb Committee (GDG)	\$100
3/17/93 Don Johnson Committee (GDG)	\$100

Schedule A.—Political Contributions By Gordon D. Giffin and Patti A. Giffin—Continued

8/29/93 Marvin Arrington Committee (City Council) (GDG) ..	\$250
10/15/93 Miller for Governor (Ga) Committee (GDG)	\$1,000
10/26/93 John O'Callaghan Committee (GDG)	\$125
1993: Long, Aldridge & Norman State Political Committee (GDG)	\$615
1994:	
2/1/94 Chuck Robb Committee (GDG)	\$100
2/18/94 Wendy Shoob Committee (Superior Court) (GDG)	\$25
1994: Long, Aldridge & Norman State Political Committee (GDG)	\$200
6/6/94 Darden for Congress (GDG)	\$500
6/30/94 Kennedy for Senate (GDG)	\$200
1995:	
6/5/95 Clinton-Gore Committee (During the year Patti contributed \$50 to Women's Leadership Forum of DNC) (GDG) ..	\$1,000
1996:	
2/8/96 Cindy Wright Committee (Superior Court) (GDG)	\$100
3/12/96 Yates Committee (PAG)	\$250
3/25/96 Wendy Shoob Committee (Superior Court) (GDG)	\$25
3/25/96 Max Cleland Committee (GDG)	\$500
4/8/96 Alice Bonner Committee (Superior Court) (GDG)	\$100
4/21/96 Robert Benham Committee (Supreme Court) (GDG) ...	\$100
5/14/96 Craig Dowdy Committee (State Legislature) (GDG)	\$200
9/24/96 Max Cleland Committee (GDG)	\$500
10/4/96 David Bell Committee (GDG)	\$250
4/18/96 Victory '96—State Party (Joint)	\$80
1997: None.	
John C. Holzman, of Hawaii, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the People's Republic of Bangladesh.	
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Nominee: John C. Holzman.	
Post: Ambassador to Bangladesh.	
Contributions, Amount, Date, Donee	
1. Self, John C. Holzman, None.	
2. Spouse, M. Kim Hom, None.	
3. Children and Spouses: Leah A. Holzman, None. Nicole K. Holzman, None. Alexandra V. Holzman, None.	
4. Parents, Josef J. Holzman, deceased. Virginia S. Holzman, deceased.	
5. Grandparents: William Stewart, deceased. Ellen McGinn Stewart, deceased. Zelik Holzman, deceased. Esther Holzman, deceased.	
6. Brothers and Spouses: Alan S. Holzman, \$100, 1992/3, John Felix, Candidate for Honolulu Councilman, \$100, 1993/94, Arnold Morgado, Candidate for Honolulu Mayor.	
David H. Holzman, None. Diane Holzman (Spouse), none.	
7. Sisters and Spouses: Esther E. Holzman, none.	
Ralph Frank, of Washington, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Ex-	

traordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Kingdom of Nepal.

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Nominee: Ralph Frank.

Post: Nepal.

Contributions, amount, date, donee

1. Self, none.

2. Spouse, Susan Kathryn Gundersen, none.

3. Children and Spouses Names, Erik Christian Gundersen-Frank, none. Kathryn Jean Gundersen-Frank, none.

4. Parents names, Lloyd I. Frank, deceased. Jean C. Frank, deceased.

5. Grandparents: Names Ralph C. Conrad, deceased. Elsie Frank, deceased.

6. Brothers and Spouses Names, none.

7. Sisters and Spouses Names, none.

David J. Scheffer, of Virginia, to be Ambassador at Large for War Crimes Issues.

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Nominee: David John Scheffer.

Post: Ambassador at Large for War Crimes.

Contributions, Amount, Date, Donee

1. Self, none.

2. Spouse Michelle M. Huhnke, none.

3. Children and Spouses Names, Katherine M. Scheffer, none.

4. Parents Names, Barbara Scheffer (deceased). Walter F. Scheffer

DNC 1997 \$75

DNC 1996 \$200

John Kerry Senate Campaign 1996 \$20

Ted Kennedy Senate Campaign 1996 \$25

DNC 1995 \$50

Clinton-Gore Primary Committee 1995 \$50

Diane Feinstein Senate Campaign 1994 \$500

5. Grandparents Names, deceased.

6. Brothers and Spouses Names, none.

Sisters and Spouses Names, Claudia and Michael Gallo.

Paula and George Lader, none.

Nicole Scheffer, none.

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed, subject to the nominees' commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.)

Mr. HELMS. Mr. President, for the Committee on Foreign Relations, I also report favorably two nomination lists in the Foreign Service which were printed in full in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORDS of February 13 and April 25, 1997, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar, that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

(The nominations ordered to lie on the Secretary's desk were printed in the RECORDS of February 13 and April 25, 1997, at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

Nomination in the Foreign Service:

Marilyn E. Hulbert received by the Senate and appeared in the RECORD of February 13, 1997

Nominations in the Foreign Services: Beginning John R. Swallow and ending George S. Dragnich received by the Senate and appeared in the RECORD of April 25, 1997.

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. GRAMS (for himself, Mr. D'AMATO, Mr. SARBANES, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, Mr. MCCONNELL, and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 1026. A bill to reauthorize the Export-Import Bank of the United States; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. CAMPBELL (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. DOMENICI, and Mr. HATCH):

S. 1027. A bill to extend the Native American veteran direct housing loan pilot program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans Affairs.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 1028. A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a pilot project on designated lands within Plumas, Lassen, and Tahoe National Forests in the State of California to demonstrate the effectiveness of the resource management activities proposed by the Quincy Library Group and to amend current land and resource management; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. DEWINE (for himself and Mr. WELLSTONE):

S. 1029. A bill to provide loan forgiveness for individuals who earn a degree in early childhood education, and enter and remain employed in the early child care profession, to provide loan cancellation for certain child care providers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Mr. FRIST (for himself and Mr. WELLSTONE):

S. 1030. A bill to amend title IV of the Public Health Service Act to establish a National Center for Bioengineering Research; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mr. D'AMATO):

S. 1031. A bill to protect Federal law enforcement officers who intervene in certain situations to protect life or prevent bodily injury; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HELMS:

S. 1032. An original bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 with respect to the authority of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation to issue insurance and extend financing; from the Committee on Foreign Relations; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. COCHRAN:

S. 1033. An original bill making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. BOND:

S. 1034. An original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development,

and for sundry independent agencies, commissions, corporations, and offices for fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Appropriations; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. TORRICELLI, Mr. CHAFEE, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 1035. A bill to establish a moratorium on large fishing vessels in Atlantic herring and mackerel fisheries; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. ALLARD (for himself and Mr. CAMPBELL):

S. 1036. A bill to amend section 435(d)(1)(A)(ii) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 with respect to the definition of an eligible lender; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Mr. JEFFORDS (for himself, Mr. DODD, and Mr. ENZI):

S. 1037. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to establish incentives to increase the demand for and supply of quality child care, to provide incentives to States that improve the quality of child care, to expand clearing-house and electronic networks for the distribution of child care information, to improve the quality of child care provided through Federal facilities and programs, 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. HELMS:

S. Con. Res. 40. An original concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the OAS-CIAV Mission in Nicaragua; from the Committee on Foreign Relations; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. HELMS:

S. Con. Res. 41. An original concurrent resolution calling for a United States initiative seeking a just and peaceful resolution of the situation on Cyprus; from the Committee on Foreign Relations; placed on the calendar.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. CAMPBELL (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. DOMENICI, and Mr. HATCH):

S. 1027. A bill to extend the native American veteran direct housing loan pilot program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

NATIVE AMERICAN VETERANS HOUSING LOAN IMPROVEMENTS LEGISLATION

Mr. CAMPBELL. Mr. President, I am pleased today to introduce legislation to extend and improve the native American veteran direct loan pilot program. I am pleased to add Senators JOHNSON, DOMENICI, and HATCH as co-sponsors of this legislation.

America's most important resource has always been the individuals willing to lay down their lives for their country. Throughout our history we have been blessed with men and women willing to put themselves at risk for the greater good.

Native Americans have been proud to be a part of this Nation's defense. From the revolutionary era to our ongoing peacekeeping missions around the

globe, native Americans have served and continue to serve the United States honorably. It may surprise some members to know that native Americans served, suffered, and died in service to this Nation even though they were not allowed to be citizens until 1924.

As a veteran I feel a special kinship with all those men and women who served this Nation in peacetime and in war. As an Indian veteran I am keenly aware of the dedicated service Indians, Alaskans, and Hawaiians have given—often without recognition of their sacrifice.

How can we compensate these men and women for making the greatest sacrifice they could? There is no dollar value we can place on a life. At the very least, we must provide the basic benefits of health care, housing, and education to those that laid down their lives for America.

Since 1992, the Department of Veterans Affairs has operated a direct housing loan program to help native American veterans build decent homes. I was amazed to find out that in the last 5 years, that program had provided eight Indian veterans with loans.

That is not an indication that all Indian veterans have no housing needs. During a hearing on veterans issues, members of the Indian Affairs Committee saw videotape of the houses used by Navajo veterans. They looked like something you would see in a Third World nation, not America. Houses had holes in their roofs and walls and plastic sheets for windows. Many houses do not have working plumbing and water has to be carried from miles away. This is certainly not the appreciation and respect war veterans deserve.

Native Americans seeking home loans face many obstacles unique to Indian country, including poor economic conditions and the fact that the land cannot be used as collateral. But the most surprising revelation at the committee's hearing was that the majority of Indian veterans seem to have little or no knowledge that the VA's direct loan program exists. If they do, many do not know how or where to apply. The Government has no problem finding these men and women when it is time to draft them to fight in a war. But when it is time to pay them back for their sacrifice, the effort just is not there.

That is why the bill I introduce today does more than extend the direct loan program for 3 years. It includes measures to boost the Department of Veterans Affairs' efforts to implement the direct loan program for native American veterans. The bill places new requirements on the Department to consult with tribal organizations, native veterans organizations, and other groups prior to making decisions under the act. It also expresses Congress's desire that the Department carry out vigorous outreach and education efforts to inform potential beneficiaries of the housing assistance benefits under the