

will be interested in his remarks, and I ask that they be printed in the RECORD.

The remarks follow:

SPEECH BY HIS MAJESTY KING ABDULLAH II AT THE KENNEDY LIBRARY IN BOSTON, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 1999

Senator Kennedy, Mrs. Kennedy, Mr. Manning, Ladies and gentlemen, allow me first to express my sincere gratitude for this beautiful evening which Rania and I shall cherish for the rest of our lives.

Senator, I would like to add my voice to all those who have paid tribute, over the years, to the Kennedy family, for the contribution that they have made to the improvement of human life and for the painful sacrifices that have made us all realize the value of true citizenship.

I say that Senator, because I also happen to belong to a family that has devoted itself since the turn of this century to the improvement of the life of the Arab people. Over the years, many sacrifices have been made to ensure that the freedom, liberty, and integrity of the Arab mind is sacrosanct, that the rights of the Arabs are not forgotten or betrayed and that their future is protected.

As I conclude my second working visit to the United States, I am very proud of the special relations that bind Jordan with your country. The foundations of these ties, so carefully laid by my late father have seen us making peace with our Israeli neighbors, and subsequently guarding its sustainability and continuity. Through our partnership with America, we have built a unique model in our region. It is a model of peace that is cemented by the respect of the principles of democracy, freedom of expression, political pluralism, free economic enterprise, and human dignity. It is being continually reinforced through our positive interaction with our neighbors.

Most importantly, it is the necessary requirement for successfully facing the challenges ahead which are numerous and quite complex. In my mind, the most daunting task that I have set myself to accomplish is to guarantee that our younger generation get an equal opportunity like others elsewhere in the world: An opportunity to be active participants in the shaping of their own destiny, one that will hopefully focus on technological advances in science, on being a part of the information technology revolution, and on being able to enjoy the best of education, medical care, and environmental standards.

These are big challenges that necessitate, first and foremost, that we rid ourselves of the dark past of war, conflict, and strife in our region, prior to getting ready to embark on a future course of promise, rewards, and accomplishments.

These challenges require more than ever that the partnership with the United States be solid, strong, and sustainable. The role that the United States has played in the making of peace in our region must be complemented with continued efforts designed to rehabilitate our region. If it is to effectively participate in the community of nations, not through conflict, but rather through a concrete realization of a new positive role.

All of you present here tonight can contribute to the making of a new region. We in Jordan will continue to provide the model, but we need your support and contribution.

I do not want to keep you any longer; suffice it to say that I am very grateful to all of you for your interest, your support, and your determination to help us attain a dream that befits the dawn of a new millennium.

Thank you again, and we hope to see you in the near future in our part of the world.●

TRIBUTE TO MAJOR CLINT CROSIER

Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize Major Clinton E. Crosier, an Air Force Fellow on my staff, and commend his superior performance throughout this past year as a key member of my national security team.

Major Crosier has been on active duty since 1988. During his 11-year career he has served as an Executive Office and Operations Management Officer, during which time he deployed to Saudi Arabia during Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm. He has served as a Satellite Operations Flight Commander, overseeing the operations of part of the Air Force's multibillion dollar constellation of military communications satellites; and also as a Missile Operations Crew Commander and Flight Commander, supervising the training and certification of over 200 of the nuclear launch officers serving as the backbone of America's nuclear deterrent.

During his career, his outstanding performance and professionalism has been recognized by his selection as the 90th Missile Wing's Staff Officer of the Year; 28th Air Division's Company Grade Officer of the Year and Lance P. Sijan Leadership Award Winner; three-time selection as unit Company Grade Officer of the Year; Unit Evaluator of the Year; and Unit Flight Commander of the Year. Major Crosier is also a Distinguished Graduate of the Air Force's Operations Management Officer school and Squadron Officer School, and graduated first in his class during satellite operations training and missile operations training.

Upon arrival at the Pentagon just over a year ago, Major Crosier was tasked with building the Air Force's first ever Air Command and Staff College program for Congressional staff. This program, known as ACSC, is a 44-week graduate level program designed to provide mid-career officers with an in-depth understanding of the principles and application of air and space power. This was the first time in history this program had been offered to Congressional staff. In this capacity, Major Crosier was directly responsible for the graduation of 18 staff members from both the House and Senate in a ceremony last month over which the Secretary of the Air Force presided. During this ceremony, Secretary Peters heralded the Capitol Hill ACSC seminar Major Crosier built as a "very important tool to cement the important partnership between the Air Force and the Congress . . . that will serve indefinitely as a bridge between our two great institutions." Additionally, Secretary Peters praised Major Crosier personally by describing his effort as an "astronomical benefit" to the Air Force.

Most recently, Major Crosier was one of only 10 officers in the entire Air Force selected for the prestigious Legislative Fellowship program, through

which he came to work as a member of my personal staff. The Air Force's Legislative Fellowship program is designed to identify the Air Force's highest caliber performers through an extremely competitive selection process. These individuals are then provided an in-depth education in the legislative processes of Congress through a one-year assignment in a Member's office, to prepare them for future senior leadership positions in the Air Force. Throughout the past year, he has been an invaluable resource to me, and a credit to the United States Air Force.

Due to his vast experience in space and missile operations, Clint was able to provide me with expert assistance in my capacity as Chairman of the Strategic Force Subcommittee on Armed Services, providing technical expertise on a myriad of advanced space operations and missile defense programs. He quickly became an expert on dozens of programs critical to national security. Major Crosier also was responsible for performing topical research and preparing me for dozens of Armed Services Committee hearings, and provided a vital role on a number of wide ranging issues from the Department of Defense Authorization and Appropriations Bills to the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty and the Vieques Weapons Range.

Major Crosier has been an outstanding addition to my staff, and has served with the highest degree of integrity and distinction. His performance has earned my highest praise, and he has distinguished himself as one of the top military officers I have had the great privilege to know during 16 years in Congress. Major Crosier has demonstrated himself to be one of the Air Force's brightest future senior leaders. As Major Crosier departs the Senate to serve on the personal staff of the Secretary of the Air Force, I extend my sincerest appreciation for his valuable and professional service. I will not only miss Clint's knowledge and efficiency, I will also miss his enthusiasm. Clint is an honorable and dedicated individual. I wish he, his wife Shelle, and their children, all the best in future endeavors.

SENATE COMMITTEE CHANGES

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 228, submitted earlier by Senators LOTT and DASCHLE.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 228) making changes to Senate committees for the 106th Congress.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 228) was agreed to, as follows:

S. RES. 228

Resolved, That notwithstanding the provisions of S. Res. 400 of the 95th Congress, or the provisions of rule XXV, the following changes shall be effective on those Senate committees listed below for the 106th Congress, or until their successors are appointed:

Committee on Intelligence: Add Mr. Mack.

SENATE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 229 submitted earlier by Senator LOTT.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 229) making certain majority appointments to certain Senate committees for the 106th Congress.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 229) was agreed to, as follows:

S. RES. 229

Resolved, That notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXV, the following shall constitute the majority membership on those Senate committees listed below for the 106th Congress, or until their successors are appointed.

Committee on Finance: Mr. Roth (Chairman), Mr. Grassley, Mr. Hatch, Mr. Murkowski, Mr. Nickles, Mr. Gramm, Mr. Lott, Mr. Jeffords, Mr. Mack, Mr. Thompson, and Mr. Coverdell.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Mr. Helms (Chairman), Mr. Lugar, Mr. Hagel, Mr. Smith of Oregon, Mr. Grams, Mr. Brownback, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Ashcroft, Mr. Frist, and Mr. Chafee.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Mr. Smith of New Hampshire (Chairman), Mr. Warner, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Bond, Mr. Voinovich, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Bennett, Mrs. Hutchinson, and Mr. Chafee.

Committee on Ethics: Mr. Roberts (Chairman), Mr. Smith of New Hampshire, and Mr. Voinovich.

WAIVING ENROLLMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR FIRST SESSION OF 106TH CONGRESS

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the immediate consideration of H.J. Res. 76, which is at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the joint resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A joint resolution (H.J. Res. 76) waiving certain enrollment requirements for the re-

mainder of the first session of the One Hundred Sixth Congress with respect to any bill or joint resolution making general appropriations or continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2000.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the joint resolution.

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the joint resolution be read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to the resolution be printed in the RECORD.

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

The joint resolution (H.J. Res. 76) was read the third time and passed.

APPOINTMENTS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, in accordance with 22 U.S.C. 1928a-1928d, as amended, appoints the following Senators as members of the Senate Delegation to the North Atlantic Assembly (NATO Parliamentary Assembly) during the First Session of the 106th Congress, to be held in Amsterdam, The Netherlands, November 11-15, 1999:

The Senator from Iowa (Mr. GRASSLEY),

The Senator from Utah (Mr. BENNETT), and

The Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA).

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1999

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until the hour of 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 10. I further ask unanimous consent that on Wednesday, immediately following the prayer, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate then resume on S. 625, the bankruptcy reform bill, under the previous order.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. GORTON. For the information of all Senators, the Senate will resume consideration of the bankruptcy bill at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday. Under the previous order, there will be up to 4 hours of debate on the Hatch amendment No. 2771 regarding drugs, with a vote to follow the use or yielding back of that time. The votes on the nomination of Carol Moseley-Braun and Linda Morgan will be stacked to follow the vote on the drug amendment. Thus, Senators can expect three back-to-back

votes between 12 noon and 1 p.m. tomorrow. There are a number of amendments pending on the bankruptcy bill, and it is hoped that they can be disposed of in a timely fashion, along with any other amendments Senators intend to offer to this legislation. The Senate may also be ready to take action on the remaining appropriations bills during tomorrow's session of the Senate. Senators should adjust their schedules for the possibility of votes throughout the day and into the evening. The leadership appreciates the patience and cooperation of his colleagues as we attempt to complete the appropriations process prior to Veterans Day.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. GORTON. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I now ask that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:38 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, November 10, 1999, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate November 9, 1999:

FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

ANTHONY M. MERCK, OF SOUTH CAROLINA, TO BE A FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSIONER FOR THE TERM EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2001, VICE MING HSU, TERM EXPIRED.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

JAMES JOHN HOECKER, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION FOR THE TERM EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2005. (REAPPOINTMENT)

PEACE CORPS

MARK L. SCHNEIDER, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE PEACE CORPS, VICE MARK D. GEARAN, RESIGNED.

HARRY S. TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

MEL CARNAHAN, OF MISSOURI, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE HARRY S. TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 10, 2005. (REAPPOINTMENT)

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

RANDOLPH D. MOSS, OF MARYLAND, TO BE AN ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, VICE WALTER DELLINGER.

JOHN R. LACEY, OF CONNECTICUT, TO BE CHAIRMAN OF THE FOREIGN CLAIMS SETTLEMENT COMMISSION OF THE UNITED STATES FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 30, 2000, VICE DELISSA A. RIDGWAY, TERM EXPIRED.

LARAMIE FAITH MCNAMARA, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FOREIGN CLAIMS SETTLEMENT COMMISSION OF THE UNITED STATES FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 30, 2001, VICE JOHN R. LACEY, TERM EXPIRED.

WITHDRAWALS

Executive messages transmitted by the President to the Senate on November 9, 1999, withdrawing from further Senate consideration the following nominations:

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

MARSHALL S. SMITH, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF EDUCATION, VICE MADELEINE KUNIN, WHICH WAS SENT TO THE SENATE ON MARCH 25, 1999.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

BETH NOLAN, OF NEW YORK, TO BE AN ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, VICE WALTER DELLINGER, WHICH WAS SENT TO THE SENATE ON MARCH 5, 1999.