

Sengelaub, RSM, Award for Meritorious Service. I know my Senate colleagues join me in honoring this extraordinary individual for the outstanding work he does on behalf of the community.●

A SALUTE TO SUNLL "SUNNY" AGHI

• Mr. KERRY. Mr. President, I want to take just a few moments today to salute one of the young leaders of the Indo-American community, someone who is providing for all of us an exemplary model of what it means to serve our neighborhoods, our communities, and our fellow Americans.

Mr. Sunll "Sunny" Aghi is the founder and President of the Indo-American Political Foundation, an organization based in California, dedicated to engaging Indo-Americans in the political process and ensuring that Indo-Ameri-

cans gain a foothold in our government as elected officials. Sunll Aghi has brought an impressive energy to this mission—actively recruiting Indo-Americans to meet the challenges of participatory democracy as voters, supporters, and candidates, whether the be new citizens or established leaders in California's diverse communities.

Sunll has also found substantial ways to contribute to life in California beyond politics. Mr. Aghi is the founder of Thank You America—an organization dedicated to providing food and clothing to the homeless of Orange County each year on Thanksgiving Day, an effort which has benefits over 500 needy individuals each holiday. Sunll hopes to expand Thank You America's operations to eventually include providing college scholarships for talented, young Californians struggling to afford a college education. These ef-

orts demonstrate to all of us the truth that DeTocqueville spoke of 150 years ago when he said "America is great because Americans are good." Sunll Aghi is keeping that tradition of civic responsibility alive and well for a new generation of our citizens.

Mr. President, I am pleased to have the chance to acknowledge Mr. Aghi for his contributions to our country and to the democratic process. I applaud his efforts and share his hopes that someday soon we will bring all Indo-Americans into the mainstream of American politics as full participants, and that in the coming years we will build an America where Indo-Americans serve in and are fully represented in the House, the Senate, and the Administration. His work is an inspiration to all of us, and I hope more Americans will follow his tremendous example of activism and citizenship raised to a higher level.●

FOREIGN CURRENCY REPORTS

In accordance with the appropriate provisions of law, the Secretary of the Senate herewith submits the following report(s) of standing committees of the Senate, certain joint committees of the Congress, delegations and groups, and select and special committees of the Senate, relating to expenses incurred in the performance of authorized foreign travel:

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION AND FORESTRY FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 1998

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Stephanie Mercier: USA	Dollar	2,300.00		1,217.50					3,517.50
Total		2,300.00		1,217.50					3,517.50

RICHARD G. LUGAR,
Chairman, Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, Jan. 7, 1999.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 1998

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Senator Tom Harkin: United States	Dollar	218.96	238.00		5,214.49				5,214.49
Yugoslavia	Dinar	3,349.70	779.00						238.00
Israel	Shekel	256	183.00						779.00
Jordan	Dinar								256
Senator Daniel Inouye: South Korea	Won	938,160	712.35						712.35
Japan	Yen	97,474	825.00						825.00
Charles J. Hous:	Won	928,160	704.65						704.65
South Korea	Yen	147,684	1,250.00						1,250.00
Total			4,692.00		5,214.49				9,906.49

TED STEVENS,
Chairman, Committee on Appropriations, Jan. 31, 1999.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 1998

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Scott W. Stucky: United States	Dollar			4,588.77					4,588.77
Germany	Mark	103	63.19						63.19
Italy	Lire	680,000	410.63						410.63
Cord A. Sterling: Italy	Dollar			536.00					536.00
Germany	Dollar			545.00					545.00
United Kingdom	Dollar			2,068.00					2,068.00
Yugoslavia	Dollar			199.00					199.00
United States	Dollar			5,962.70					5,962.70

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Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Honduras	Dollar	400.00							400.00
Nicaragua	Dollar	260.00							260.00
United States	Dollar			1,121.28					1,121.28
Ann M. Mittermeyer									
United States	Dollar			4,065.77					4,065.77
Italy	Lire	1,415,880	855.00	11,000	6.64	661,000	399.15	672,000	1,260.79
Michael McCord:									
United States	Dollar			4,722.58					4,722.58
Germany	Mark	719	427.00					719	427.00
David Lyles:									
Bosnia	Dollar	206.14							206.14
Yugoslavia	Dollar	85.49							85.49
Armenia	Dollar	196.00							196.00
Turkey	Dollar	125.00							125.00
Ukraine	Dollar	250.00							250.00
Russia	Dollar	952.64				395.65			1,348.29
Senator Carl Levin:									
Bosnia	Dollar	204.85							204.85
Yugoslavia	Dollar	98.38							98.38
Armenia	Dollar	98.00							98.00
Turkey	Dollar	125.00							125.00
Ukraine	Dollar	260.00							260.00
Russia	Dollar	811.04				205.73			1,016.77
Peter Levine:									
United States	Dollar			4,065.77					4,065.77
Germany		209.00							209.00
Italy	Lire	777,444	469.47	10,000	6.04			787,444	475.51
	Dollar		25.00						25.00
Senator John McCain:									
Japan	Dollar	275.00							275.00
China	Dollar	1,179.00							1,179.00
Thailand	Dollar	240.00							240.00
Vietnam	Dollar	125.00							125.00
Singapore	Dollar	753.00							753.00
United States	Dollar			5,498.24					5,498.24
Mark Salter:									
United States	Dollar			3,831.24					3,831.24
Japan	Dollar	275.00							275.00
China	Dollar	1,179.00							1,179.00
Thailand	Dollar	240.00							240.00
Vietnam	Dollar	278.00							278.00
Singapore	Dollar	502.00							502.00
Total		14,925.83		33,869.03		1,000.53			49,795.39

STROM THURMOND,
Chairman, Committee on Armed Services, Feb. 22, 1999.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1, TO DEC. 31, 1998

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Senator Jack Reed:									
Russia	Dollar	503.00							503.00
Lithuania	Dollar	500.00							500.00
Neil Campbell:									
Russia	Dollar	556.00							556.00
Lithuania	Dollar	550.00							550.00
Total			2,109.00						2,109.00

ALFONSE D'AMATO,
Chairman, Committee on Banking,
Housing and Urban Affairs, Feb. 22, 1999.

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Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Senator John D. Rockefeller, IV:									
Taiwan	Dollar	29,411	903.00		6,074.00			29,411	6,977.00
Robert Sik:									
Taiwan	Dollar	29,411	903.00		3,181.00			29,411	4,084.00
Sloan Rappoport:									
Spain	Dollar		1,500.00		1,534.50				3,034.50
Penelope Dalton:									
Spain	Dollar		1,220.67		783.92				2,004.59
Total			4,526.67		11,573.42				16,100.09

JOHN McCAIN
Chairman, Committee on Commerce,
Science, and Transportation, Jan. 5, 1999.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. TO DEC. 1998

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Senator Frank Murkowski:									
Hong Kong	Dollar	9,125	1,179.00						1,179.00
Taiwan	Dollar	21,008	645.00						645
United States	Dollar				4683.46				4,683.46
Deanna Tanner Okun:									
Hong Kong	Dollar	9,125	1,179.00						1,179.00
Taiwan	Dollar	21,008	645.00						645.00
United States	Dollar				2953.76				2,953.76
Andrew Lundquist:									
Hong Kong	Dollar	9,125	1,179.00						1,179.00
Taiwan	Dollar	21,008	645.00						645.00
United States	Dollar				2365.46				2,365.46
Daniel P. Brindle:									
Hong Kong	Dollar	9,125	1,179.00						1,179.00
Taiwan	Dollar	21,008	645.00						645.00
United States	Dollar				2,558.46				2,558.46
David Garman:									
Argentina	Peso		1,556.00						1,556.00
United States	Dollar				4,369.50				4,369.50
Sarah Bittleman:									
Argentina	Peso		1,419.00						1,419.00
United States	Dollar				4,367.50				4,367.50
David Garman:									
Norway	Kronin		346.90						346.90
United States	Dollar				42223.38				4,223.38
Total			10,617.90			25,521.52			36,139.42

FRANK H. MURKOWSKI,
Chairman, Committee on Energy and National Resources, Jan. 8, 1999.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON FINANCE FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. TO DEC. 31, 1998

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Senator Max Baucus:									
Canada	Dollar				527.08				527.08
Angela Marshall:									
Canada	Dollar		251.81		1,012.56				1,264.37
Senator Phil Gramm:									
Japan	Dollar	275.00							275.00
China	Dollar	1,179.00							1,179.00
Thailand	Dollar	240.00							240.00
Vietnam	Dollar	125.00							125.00
Singapore	Dollar	753.00							753.00
United States	Dollar				4,292.23				4,292.23
Richard Ribbentrop:									
Japan	Dollar	275.00							275.00
China	Dollar	1,179.00							1,179.00
Thailand	Dollar	240.00							240.00
Vietnam	Dollar	278.00							278.00
Singapore	Dollar	753.00							753.00
United States	Dollar				4,292.23				4,292.23
Senator Charles E. Grassley:									
New Zealand	Dollar	865.00							865.00
Australia	Dollar	774.00							774.00
R. Alexander Vachon:									
United States	Dollar				1,562.09				1,562.09
United Kingdom	Dollar	780.92							780.92
Sweden	Dollar	547.95							547.95
Mark Patterson:									
United States	Dollar				1,562.09				1,562.09
United Kingdom	Dollar	1,059.15							1,059.15
Sweden	Dollar	690.70							690.70
Nicholas Giordano:									
United States	Dollar				1,588.55				1,596.83
United Kingdom	Dollar	788.50							788.50
Sweden	Dollar	501.63							501.63
Deborah Lamb:									
United States	Dollar				1,562.09				1,562.09
United Kingdom	Dollar	1,044.19							1,044.19
Sweden	Dollar	402.37							402.37
David Podoff:									
United States	Dollar				1,562.09				1,562.09
United Kingdom	Dollar	958.76							958.76
Sweden	Dollar	638.56							638.56
Faryar Shirzad:									
United States	Dollar				1,562.09				1,562.09
United Kingdom	Dollar	718.86							718.86
Sweden	Dollar	496.51							496.51
United States	Dollar				1,933.36				1,933.36
Switzerland	Dollar	794.52							794.52
Deborah Lamb:									
Belgium	Dollar	713.25							713.25
Grant Aldonas:									
United States	Dollar				1,933.36				1,933.36
Switzerland	Dollar	978.13							978.13
Belgium	Dollar	873.00							873.00
Faryar Shirzad:									
United States	Dollar				1,933.36				1,933.36
Switzerland	Dollar	865.68							865.68
Belgium	Dollar	730.72							730.72
Tim Keeler:									
United States	Dollar				1,322.16				1,322.16
Switzerland	Dollar	808.43							808.43
Belgium	Dollar	733.45							733.45
Lisa Lee:									
United States	Dollar				1,933.36				1,933.36

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Joan Woodward:	Switzerland	Dollar		950.14						950.14
	Belgium	Dollar		815.18						815.18
Ian Brzezinski:	United States	Dollar				924.55				924.55
	Switzerland	Dollar		671.99						671.99
	United States	Dollar				303.28				303.28
	Sweden	Dollar		192.76						192.76
	Ukraine	Dollar		109.00						109.00
Total				25,051.46		29,806.53		8.28		54,866.27

WILLIAM V. ROTH, JR.,
Chairman, Committee on Finance, Feb. 10, 1999.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 1998

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Senator Sam Brownback:									
Turkey	Dollar		176.00						176.00
Saudi Arabia	Dollar		246.00						246.00
Jordan	Dollar		366.60						366.60
United States	Dollar				4,329.54				4,329.54
Senator Paul Coverdell:									
Nicaragua	Dollar		200.00						200.00
United States	Dollar				1,471.16				1,650.54
Senator Christopher Dodd:									
Cuba	Dollar		917.00						917.00
United States	Dollar				1,964.54				1,964.54
Norway	Dollar		558.00						558.00
United States	Dollar				3,909.11				3,909.11
Senator Chuck Hagel:									
Russian Federation	Dollar		1,622.00						1,622.00
Lithuania	Dollar		228.00						626.47
Senator John Kerry:									
Argentina	Dollar		744.00						744.00
United States	Dollar				6,648.50				6,648.50
Indonesia	Dollar		466.00						466.00
Singapore	Dollar		135.00						135.00
Vietnam	Dollar		566.00						556.00
United Kingdom	Dollar		365.00						365.00
United States	Dollar				5,893.00				5,893.00
Senator Gordon Smith:									
Romania	Dollar		299.00						299.00
Sweden	Dollar		282.00						282.00
Ukraine	Dollar		582.00						582.00
United States	Dollar				5,626.28				5,626.28
Alex Albert:									
Nicaragua	Dollar		200.00						200.00
United States	Dollar				1,245.00				1,245.00
Stephen Biegum:									
Romania	Dollar		299.00						299.00
Sweden	Dollar		282.00						282.00
Ukraine	Dollar		582.00						582.00
United States	Dollar				5,626.28				5,626.28
Russian Federation	Dollar		1,622.00						1,622.00
Lithuania	Dollar		228.00						626.46
James Doran:									
Taiwan	Dollar		2,579.17						2,579.17
Hong Kong	Dollar		1,856.53						1,856.53
Thailand	Dollar		735.67						735.67
United States	Dollar				4,226.46				4,226.46
Heather Flynn:									
Guinea	Dollar		615.00						615.00
Kenya	Dollar		707.87						707.87
Rwanda	Dollar		917.00						917.00
United States	Dollar				9,777.30				9,777.30
Sherry Grandjean:									
Kazakhstan	Dollar		484.00						484.00
United States	Dollar				6,442.54				6,442.54
James Green:									
Argentina	Dollar		1,419.00						1,419.00
United States	Dollar				1,524.50				1,524.50
Garrett Grigsby:									
Germany	Dollar		876.00						876.00
Tanzania	Dollar		555.00						555.00
Kenya	Dollar		880.00						880.00
Mauritius	Dollar		838.74						838.74
United States	Dollar				9,032.09				9,032.09
Michael Haltzel:									
Germany	Dollar		2,100.00						2,100.00
United States	Dollar				5,627.51				5,627.51
James Jones:									
Indonesia	Dollar		466.00						466.00
Singapore	Dollar		251.00						251.00
Vietnam	Dollar		556.00						556.00
Thailand	Dollar		219.78						219.78
United States	Dollar				5,863.99				5,863.99
Peter Marudas:									
Germany	Dollar		375.80						375.80
United States	Dollar				679.42				679.42
Patricia McNameey:									
Argentina	Dollar		1,860.00						1,860.00
United States	Dollar				4,367.50				4,367.50
Michael Miller:									
Germany	Dollar		876.00						876.00
Tanzania	Dollar		555.00						555.00

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Kenya	Dollar		735.00						735.00
United States	Dollar				7,587.11				7,587.11
Roger Noriega:									
Nicaragua	Dollar		120.00						120.00
Argentina	Dollar		2,810.00						2,810.00
United States	Dollar				3,022.50				3,022.50
Venezuela	Dollar				1,454.00				1,454.00
Janice O'Connell:									
Cuba	Dollar		917.00						917.00
United States	Dollar				1,964.54				1,964.54
Kenneth Peel:									
Argentina	Dollar		2,535.00						2,535.00
United States	Dollar				4,367.50				4,367.50
Russian Federation	Dollar		1,622.00						1,622.00
Lithuania	Dollar		228.00						228.00
Christina Rocca:									
Turkey	Dollar		176.00						176.00
Saudi Arabia	Dollar		246.00						246.00
Jordan	Dollar		366.60						366.60
Kuwait	Dollar		362.00						362.00
United States	Dollar				4,329.54				4,329.54
Linda Rotblatt:									
Nigeria	Dollar		1,148.42						1,261.54
Senegal	Dollar		362.00						362.00
United States	Dollar				8,952.59				8,952.59
Nancy Stetson:									
Indonesia	Dollar		466.00						466.00
Singapore	Dollar		251.00						251.00
Vietnam	Dollar		556.00						556.00
United Kingdom	Dollar		274.00						274.00
United States	Dollar				6,293.00				6,293.00
Christopher Walker:									
United Kingdom	Dollar		1,095.00						1,095.00
United States	Dollar				4,657.28				4,657.28
Kenya	Dollar		735.00						735.00
Tanzania	Dollar		555.00						555.00
United States	Dollar				7,404.54				7,404.54
Michael Westphal:									
Germany	Dollar		876.00						876.00
Tanzania	Dollar		555.00						555.00
Kenya	Dollar		880.00						880.00
Mauritius	Dollar		838.74						838.74
United States	Dollar				9,032.09				9,032.09
AMENDMENT TO THIRD QUARTER 1998									
Senator Chuck Hagel:									
Saudi Arabia	Dollar								
Egypt	Dollar								
Senator Charles Robb:									
United States	Dollar								
Kenneth Peel:									
Saudi Arabia	Dollar								
Egypt	Dollar								
Total	Dollar		49,968.92						202,485.94

JESSE HELMS,
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations, Feb. 23, 1999.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 1998

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Senator Fred Thompson:									
United Kingdom	Pound		1,534.50		4,621.28				6,155.78
Curtis Silvers:									
United Kingdom	Pound		2,187.00		5,642.92				7,829.92
Mitchel Kugler:									
Israel	Shekel		1,353.00		5,170.08				6,523.08
Total			5,074.50		15,434.28				20,508.78

FRED THOMPSON,
Chairman, Committee on Governmental Affairs, Jan. 8, 1999.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND HUMAN RESOURCES FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 1998

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Powden, Mark E.:									
United States	Dollar								
New Zealand	Dollar		450.00		1,936.00				1,936.00
Antarctica	Dollar								450.00
Day, Suzanne L.:									
United States	Dollar								
New Zealand	Dollar		765.00		1,936.00				1,936.00
Antarctica	Dollar								765.00
Total			1,215.00		3,872.00				5,087.00

JIM JEFFORDS,
Chairman, Committee on Labor and Human Resources, Jan. 15, 1999.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 1998

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Senator Arlen Specter:									
Syria	Dollar		180.00						180.00
Macedonia	Dollar		119.00						119.0
England	Dollar		850.35						857.85
Belgium	Dollar		390.82						390.82
Greece	Dollar		187.79						187.79
Bahrain	Dollar		199.80						203.76
Oman	Dollar		90.83						90.83
Jordan	Dollar		115.45						115.45
Turkey	Dollar		538.55						1,247.60
United States	Dollar				2,715.52				2,715.52
John Ulliyot:									
Israel	Dollar		148.17						184.12
Syria	Dollar		207.13						224.95
Macedonia	Dollar		140.63						207.63
England	Dollar		625.24						750.38
United States	Dollar				5,138.22				5,138.22
Charles Robbins:									
England	Dollar		713.16						740.47
Belgium	Dollar		367.89						367.89
Bahrain	Dollar		139.42						139.42
Oman	Dollar		577.66		10.00				598.74
Turkey	Dollar		463.45						619.38
Greece	Dollar		166.49						169.39
Jordan	Dollar		127.12						127.12
United States	Dollar		245.65		5,544.03				5,897.43
Total			6,594.60		13,407.77				21,273.76

ARLEN SPECTER,
Chairman, Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Feb. 12, 1999.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 1998

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Senator Richard Shelby			3,748.00		5,007.58				8,755.58
Taylor W. Lawrence			4,600.00		5,007.58				9,607.58
Christopher Straub			1,370.00		5,827.82				7,197.82
Senator Richard Lugar			2,314.00						2,314.00
Kenneth Myers, Jr.			2,431.00						2,431.00
Kenneth Myers III			2,383.00						2,383.00
Art Grant			1,690.00		4,342.55				6,032.55
Linda Taylor			1,684.00		3,859.94				5,543.94
Peter Dorn			1,684.00		4,485.36				6,169.36
Peter Cleveland			1,684.00		4,392.98				6,076.98
Christopher Straub			568.50		693.00				1,261.50
James Stinebower			858.00		693.00				1,551.00
Total			25,014.50		34,309.81				59,324.31

RICHARD SHELBY,
Chairman, Select Committee on Intelligence, Jan. 11, 1999.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMISSION ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 1998

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMISSION ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE FOR TRAVEL FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 1998—Continued

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Poland	Dollar		1,428.00						1,428.00
Edward Wayne Merry:									
United States	Dollar				5,119.94				5,119.94
Bosnia-Herzegovina	Dollar		1,535.00						1,535.00
Croatia	Dollar		170.00						170.00
Slovakia	Dollar		900.00						900.00
Michael Ochs:									
United States	Dollar				5,644.88				5,644.88
Azerbaijan	Dollar		3,680.76						3,680.76
Turkey	Dollar		211.00						211.00
Erika Schlagler:									
United States	Dollar				3,591.37				3,591.37
Slovakia	Dollar		1,080.00						1,080.00
Czech Republic	Dollar		955.00						955.00
Poland	Dollar		3,183.91		4,203.18				7,387.09
Dorothy D. Taft:									
United States	Dollar				4,982.88				4,982.88
Azerbaijan	Dollar		1,391.28		238.00				1,629.28
Turkey	Dollar		211.00						211.00
Poland	Dollar		3,094.00		2,443.20				5,537.20
Belarus	Dollar		730.00						730.00
Total			45,582.68		62,190.12				107,772.80

ALFONSE D'AMATO,
Chairman, Commission on Security
and Cooperation in Europe, Dec. 21, 1998.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), FOR TRAVEL AUTHORIZED BY THE MAJORITY LEADER FROM DEC. 10 TO DEC. 12, 1998

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Senator Pete Domenici:									
Nicaragua	Dollar		128.00						128.00
Honduras	Dollar		100.00						100.00
Senator Bill Frist:									
Nicaragua	Dollar		167.25						167.25
Honduras	Dollar		102.00						102.00
Alice Grant:									
Nicaragua	Dollar		166.50						166.50
Honduras	Dollar		132.00						132.00
Michael Miller:									
Nicaragua	Dollar		141.50						141.50
Honduras	Dollar		132.00						132.00
Veronica Rodriguez:									
Nicaragua	Dollar		134.00						134.00
Honduras	Dollar		100.00						100.00
Elizabeth Turpen:									
Nicaragua	Dollar		115.50						115.50
Honduras	Dollar		132.00						132.00
Sally Walsh:									
Nicaragua	Dollar		109.50						109.50
Honduras	Dollar		100.00						100.00
Delegation expenses: ¹									
Nicaragua								1,479.00	1,479.00
Honduras								163.35	163.35
Total			1,760.25					1,642.35	3,402.60

¹ Delegation expenses include direct payments and reimbursements to the Department of State and to the Department of Defense under authority of Sec. 502(b) of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended by Sec. 22 of P.L. 95-384, and S. Res. 179 agreed to May 25, 1997.

TRENT LOTT,
Majority Leader, Jan. 13, 1999.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), FOR TRAVEL AUTHORIZED BY THE MAJORITY AND DEMOCRATIC LEADERS FROM NOV. 2 TO NOV. 13, 1998

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Senator Chuck Hagel:									
United States	Dollar					5,337.50			5,337.50
Argentina	Dollar		1,419.00						1,419.00
Senator Bob Kerrey:									
United States	Dollar					4,710.50			4,710.50
Argentina	Dollar		1,351.00						1,351.00
Senator Mike Enzi:									
United States	Dollar					4,459.50			4,459.50
Argentina	Dollar		1,419.00						1,419.00
Kent Bonham:									
United States	Dollar					4,203.50			4,203.50
Argentina	Dollar		2,535.00						2,535.00
Kate English:									
United States	Dollar					1,217.50			1,217.50
Argentina	Dollar		2,787.00						2,787.00
Deb Fiddele:									
United States	Dollar					4,049.50			4,049.50
Argentina	Dollar		1,791.00						1,791.00
Debra Reed:									
United States	Dollar					1,217.50			1,217.50
Argentina	Dollar		3,230.00						3,230.00
Franz Wuerffmannsdorbler:									
United States	Dollar					1,217.50			1,217.50

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Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Argentina	Dollar		3,279.00						3,279.00
Delegation expenses: ¹									
Argentina							2,236.11		2,236.11
Total			17,811.00		26,413.00		2,236.11		46,460.11

¹ Delegation expenses: include direct payments and reimbursements, to the Department of State and to the Department of Defense under authority of Sec. 502(b) of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended by Sec. 22 of P.L. 95-384, and S. Res. 179, agreed to May 25, 1977.

TRENT LOTT, Majority Leader,
TOM DASCHLE, Democratic Leader,
Dec. 23, 1998.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), FOR TRAVEL AUTHORIZED BY THE MAJORITY AND DEMOCRATIC LEADERS FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 1998

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Senator William Roth, Jr.:									
Poland	Zloty		728.00						728.00
Lithuania	Lita		152.00						152.00
Denmark	Krone		160.75						160.75
Senator Dale Bumpers:									
Poland	Zloty		810.00						810.00
Lithuania	Lita		228.00						228.00
Denmark	Krone		239.75						239.75
Senator John Warner:									
Poland	Zloty		288.00						288.00
Lithuania	Lita		228.00						228.00
Denmark	Krone		239.75						239.75
Senator Charles Grassley:									
Poland	Zloty		810.00						810.00
Lithuania	Lita		228.00						228.00
Denmark	Krone		239.75						239.75
Senator Barbara Mikulski:									
Poland	Zloty		810.00						810.00
Senator Daniel Akaka:									
Poland	Zloty		810.00						810.00
Lithuania	Lita		228.00						228.00
Denmark	Krone		239.75						239.75
Senator Tim Hutchinson:									
Poland	Zloty		810.00						810.00
Lithuania	Lita		228.00						228.00
Denmark	Krone		239.75						239.75
Senator Gordon Smith:									
Poland	Zloty		522.00						522.00
Lithuania	Lita		228.00						228.00
Senator Michael Enzi:									
Poland	Zloty		810.00						810.00
Lithuania	Lita		228.00						228.00
Denmark	Krone		239.75						239.75
Steve Biedun:									
Poland	Zloty		522.00						522.00
Lithuania	Lita		228.00						228.00
ian Brzezinski:									
Poland	Zloty		810.00						810.00
Lithuania	Lita		228.00						228.00
Virginia Flynn:									
Poland	Zloty		810.00						810.00
Lithuania	Lita		228.00						228.00
Denmark	Krone		239.75						239.75
Julia Hart:									
Poland	Zloty		810.00						810.00
Lithuania	Lita		228.00						228.00
Denmark	Krone		239.75						239.75
Brian Moran:									
Poland	Zloty		660.00						660.00
Lithuania	Lita		228.00						228.00
Denmark	Krone		219.75						219.75
Delegation Expenses: ¹								8,998.75	8,998.75
Poland								2,798.74	2,798.74
Lithuania								4,123.92	4,123.92
Total			15,196.50					15,921.23	31,117.73

¹ Delegation expenses include direct payments and reimbursements to the Department of State and the Department of Defense. Including inflight expenses, reciprocal entertainment, and stationery expenses.

TRENT LOTT, Majority Leader,
TOM DASCHLE, Democratic Leader,
Jan. 25, 1999.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), FOR TRAVEL AUTHORIZED BY THE MAJORITY AND DEMOCRATIC LEADERS FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 1998

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
A. Christopher Bryant:									
United States	Dollar					678.41			678.41
Germany	Dollar		812.95						812.95
Total			812.95		678.41				1,491.36

TRENT LOTT, Majority Leader,
TOM DASCHLE, Democratic Leader,
Feb. 24, 1999.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), FOR TRAVEL AUTHORIZED BY THE MAJORITY LEADER FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 1998

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Senator Robert Smith:									
United States	Dollar				6,803.00				6,803.00
Russia	Dollar		750.00						750.00
Dino Carluccio:									
United States	Dollar			5,016.00					5,016.00
Russia	Dollar		715.00						715.00
Senator Connie Mack:									
United States	Dollar			4,727.00					4,727.00
N. Ireland	Dollar		502.46				850.13		1,352.59
Ireland	Dollar		446.00				637.29		1,083.29
Gary Shiffman:									
United States	Dollar			4,727.00					4,727.00
N. Ireland	Dollar		533.00				850.13		1,383.13
Ireland	Dollar		496.00				637.28		1,133.28
Total			3,442.46		21,273.00		2,974.83		27,690.29

TRENT LOTT,
Majority Leader, Feb. 24, 1999.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCIES AND APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95-384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), FOR TRAVEL AUTHORIZED BY THE DEMOCRATIC LEADER FROM OCT. 1 TO DEC. 31, 1998

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Senator Tom Daschle:									
United States	Dollar			5,693.37					5,693.37
Austria	Dollar						335.85		335.85
Czech Republic	Dollar						10.50		10.50
Senator Byron Dorgan:									
United States	Dollar			662.21					662.21
Austria	Dollar						335.85		335.85
Czech Republic	Dollar						10.50		10.50
Total				6,355.58				692.70	7,048.28

TOM DASCHLE,
Democratic Leader, Feb. 24, 1999.

MEASURE READ FOR THE FIRST TIME—S. 609

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I understand that S. 609, which was introduced earlier by Senator MURKOWSKI, is at the desk. I ask that it be read the first time.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the bill for the first time.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 609) to amend the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act of 1994 to prevent the abuse of inhalants through programs under that Act, and for other purposes.

Mr. COCHRAN. I now ask for its second reading and object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard.

APPOINTMENT BY THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, pursuant to section 201(a)(2) of Public Law 93-344, announces on behalf of the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives the joint appointment of Mr. Dan L. Crippen as Director of the Congressional Budget Office, effective February 3, 1999, for the term of office expiring on January 3, 2003.

NURSING HOME RESIDENT PROTECTION AMENDMENTS OF 1999

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the consideration of Calendar No. 38, H.R. 540.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 540) to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to prohibit transfers or discharges of residents of nursing facilities as a result of a voluntary withdrawal from participation in the Medicaid Program.

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. BAYH. Mr. President, today I rise as an original co-sponsor of S. 494, the Nursing Home Resident Protection Amendments of 1999, a bipartisan bill that would protect Medicaid patients from being dumped out of nursing homes in favor of patients who pay only through private funds.

When a senior citizen enters a nursing home facility he or she does so with the intention of making it their new home. It may not have the memories or immediate comfort level of the home they are used to, but for each elderly person that must enter a nursing home, they are exchanging the feelings of familiarity connected with their old home for the security and peace of mind that only comes with constant medical attention. In the recent past, some nursing home companies took ac-

tions that jettisoned these residents from the beds of their new homes based solely on their method of payment. Those who had the economic capability to pay with private funds were allowed to remain in the facility while those that needed governmental assistance in payment, paying with Medicaid dollars, were told to leave.

The eviction is not just a matter of the inconvenience of finding a new home, it is a matter of life and death. Studies show that death rates among nursing home patients who are transferred or evicted is two to three times higher than normal.

In some circumstances people were left without any real "home" to go to. Someone's method of payment should not determine whether or not they can continue to live in their new community or receive necessary medical attention. Once a facility has decided to accept a resident they should not be able to remove them based on whether they pay with private dollars or Medicaid. That is discrimination. Therefore, I decided to co-sponsor this bill and join the efforts of Senator BOB GRAHAM and others to prevent this discriminatory and traumatizing event from happening to even one more person.

I fully agree that the nursing home industry is a vital element in the continuum of care available to the elderly, and that a balance must be struck between encouraging private operators to