Significantly, we informed Wen Ho Lee's attorneys that we would respond to any reasonable request regarding the conditions of his confinement. So this light deal, about him being in a cell with just a single light he could not turn off, that did not even arise as a complaint until after he plea bargained, when the public relations effort began by the defense attorneys, when the public relations effort began by this. I guess, this individual's friends.

Some of the coverage I have seen, it made me think, oh, my gosh, maybe we ought to put background music on, tie a yellow ribbon around that tree. You know, one feels sorry. He has done his time. He is coming home.

Let me tell my colleagues something, this could not be the furthest from that. This man has transferred the most sensitive secrets in the history of this country. And for our national media, not all our national media, but for some of our national media to treat this as if he is the victim, as if our authority, as if our government is somehow overstepping its bounds to come down on an individual who has taken these types of secrets with the kind of evidence that we have, and obviously he has now acknowledged it, is in itself an injustice.

So it comes back to the basic question. My colleagues heard the facts tonight, the facts as given by sworn testimony, by the Director of the FBI, by Janet Reno. The evidence is hard evidence. This is not circumstantial evidence. This is not evidence that is imagined. This is evidence that, in fact, Wen Ho Lee himself admitted to some of it when he plead guilty to this felony

Now, some people said, well, gosh, there were 59 charges. Why did they drop 58 of them? It is pretty simple why they dropped 58, because in order to pursue the 58 charges, they had to make further disclosure of national secrets.

So it was the opinion of the FBI and of the Department of Justice and the other individuals involved that it was better to get him on one charge than have to disclose any more secrets, especially since we do not know to what extent Wen Ho Lee allowed other individuals to put their hands on the material that he had taken from our secret labs.

So the question comes back, who is the victim? I hope that, after my discussion with my colleagues this evening, that on the answer to that question, this is not even considered as one of your multiple choices; that the only multiple choice you have, and you volunteer to take it, is that it was the United States of America who was the victim in this case, that it is the citizens of the United States of America who are the victims in this case, that it is the future generations of this country who have become the victim of one individual who absconded with American secrets, who, held in the highest level of trust by his fellow citizens in this country, betrayed his citizens, who went in and in a methodical process transferred, first of all, changed "top secret" classification to "nonsecret" classification, and then put it out to his own computer.

This is an individual who was evasive, who did not tell the truth on occasion, who, through his attorneys, tried to mislead the FBI, who went out on his own and went into the computer and tried to cover his tracks, who on numerous occasions, as I went over, tried to get back into an area of the lab, the secure part of the lab where he knew he was denied, he was not allowed those privileges anymore. And you tell me who is the victim.

It is clear to me, and it ought to be clear to my colleagues, and I am pretty sure it is going to be clear to their constituents that the victim here is us. So keep that in mind as my colleagues hear further information on Wen Ho lie.

In conclusion of these remarks, let me say that later this week I hope I have the opportunity to sit down with BOB BARR. I have asked BOB BARR, and BOB and I had a lengthy discussion about this, about the policies and what a U.S. attorney looks at, what kind of evidence the government looks for, and why the government, I am going to be very interested in what Mr. BARR has to say, about why the government at times is not allowed to pursue charges because they would have to reveal secrets, and the pluses and the minuses and what kind of thought process goes into that.

Mr. Speaker, I think it is a responsibility of ours when we go on this recess to go out to our constituents and be fully informed on this case. This case obviously has had devastating impacts so far, and it could be much, much more severe. We need to know what we are talking about. We need to have the facts at hand.

So I think the subsequent discussions that I have with Mr. BARR on this floor will also be of some benefit to my colleagues as they go out and visit with their constituents as to what occurred and what did not occur with Wen Ho Lee at the Los Alamos labs.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Ms. Carson (at the request of Mr. Gephardt) for today on account of official business.

Mr. Hastings of Florida (at the request of Mr. Gephardt) for today and October 3 on account of personal business

Mr. HILLEARY (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for today on account of attending a funeral.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to: (The following Members (at the request of Mr. Scott) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. Brown of Ohio, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. FILNER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. BACA, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. MALONEY of New York, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. UNDERWOOD, for 5 minutes, today. Mr. KIND, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. Mink of Hawaii, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. Scott, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. SOUDER) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. STEARNS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. CAMPBELL, for 5 minutes, October 3.

Mr. Souder, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at his own request) to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. CANNON, for 5 minutes, today.

EXTENSION OF REMARKS

By unanimous consent, permission to revise and extend remarks was granted to:

Mr. Scott on H.R. 5284.

BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Administration, reported that that committee did on the following date present to the President, for his approval, bills and joint resolutions of the House of the following titles:

On September 28, 2000:

H.J. Res. 72. Granting the consent of the Congress to the Red River Boundary Compact.

H.R. 999. To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to improve the quality of coastal recreation waters, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4700. To grant the consent of the Congress to the Kansas and Missouri Metropolitan Culture District Compact.

H.J. Res. 109. Making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2647. To amend the Act entitled "An Act relating to the water rights of the Ak-Chin Indian Community" to clarify certain provisions concerning the leasing of such water rights, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 23 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, October 3, 2000, at 9 a.m., for morning hour debates.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

10397. A letter from the Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Raisins Produced from Grapes Grown in California; Decreased Assessment Rate [Docket No. FV00–989–5 IFR] received September 28, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

10398. A letter from the Chief, Programs and Legislation Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, Department of Defense, transmitting a report on initiating a cost comparison of Multiple Support Functions at Randolph Air Force Base, Texas; to the Committee on Armed Services.

10399. A letter from the Assistant to the Board, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting the Board's final rule—Truth in Lending [Regualtion Z; Docket No. R-1070] received October 2, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

10400. A letter from the Deputy Assistant, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule—Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activites Receiving Federal Financial Assistance—received September 28, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

10401. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's final rule—Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs and Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance—received October 2, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

10402. A letter from the Director, Corporate Policy and Research Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule—Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits—received September 28, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

10403. A letter from the Associate Bureau Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Replacement of Part 90 by Part 88 to Revise the Private Land Mobile Radio Services and Modify the Policies Governing Them and Examination of Exclusivity and Frequency Assignment Policies of the Private Land Mobile Services [PR Docket No. 92–235] received September 27, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

10404. A letter from the Assistant Bureau Chief, International Bureau Telecommunication Division, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Rules and Policies on Foreign Participation in the U.S. Telecommunications Market [IB Docket No. 97–142] received September 27, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

10405. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting the Department of the Air Force's proposed lease of defense articles to Italy (Transmittal No. 09–00), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2796a(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

10406. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of

State, transmitting certification of a proposed Manufacturing License Agreement with the United Kingdom [Transmittal No. DTC 133-00], pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(d); to the Committee on International Relations.

10407. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract to Belgium [Transmittal No. DTC 139–00], pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

10408. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract to Japan [Transmittal No. DTC 137–00], pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

10409. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract to Greece [Transmittal No. DTC 116-00], pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

10410. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract to Israel [Transmittal No. DTC 136–00], pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(d); to the Committee on International Relations.

10411. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract to the United Kingdom [Transmittal No. DTC 122–00], pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

10412. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract to Australia [Transmittal No. DTC 123–00], pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

10413. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles or defense services sold commercially under a contract to Taiwan [Transmittal No. DTC 104–00], pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

10414. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed Technical Assistance Agreement with Germany and Italy [Transmittal No. DTC 070–00], pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(d); to the Committee on International Relations.

10415. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Policy and Planning, Department of Veterans, transmitting a report in accordance with Public Law 105-270, on the inventory of commercial activities which are currently being performed by Federal employees; to the Committee on Government Reform

10416. A letter from the Chairman, Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting a report on the revised Strategic Plan for the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission; to the Committee on Government Reform.

10417. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting a legislative proposal entitled "Federal Employees' Overtime Pay Limitation Amendments Act of 2000"; to the Committee on Government Reform.

10418. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule— Final Compatibility Regulations Pursuant to the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997 (RIN: 1018-AE98) received October 2, 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

10419. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation entitled the "Human Rights Abusers Act of 2000"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

10420. A letter from the Corporate Agent, Legion of Valor of the United States of America, Inc., transmitting a copy of the Legion's annual audit as of April 30, 2000, pursuant to 36 U.S.C. 1101(28) and 1103; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

10421. A letter from the Secretary, Judicial Conference of the United States, transmitting a draft bill entitled, "Federal Judgeship Act of 2000"; jointly to the Committees on the Judiciary and Resources.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. McCOLLUM: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 3484. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide that certain sexual crimes against children are predicate crimes for the interception of communications, and for other purposes (Rept. 106–920). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 5267. A bill to designate the United States courthouse located at 100 Federal Plaza in Central Islip, New York, as the "Theodore Roosevelt United States Courthouse" (Rept. 106–921). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 5284. A bill to designate the United States courhouse located at 101 East Main Street in Norfolk, Virginia, as the "Owen B. Pickett United States Customhouse" (Rept. 106–922). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska: Committee on Resources. H.R. 4187. A bill to assist in the establishment of an interpretive center and museum in the vicinity of the Diamond Valley Lake in southern California to ensure the protection and interpretation of the paleontology discoveries made at the lake and to develop a trail system for the lake for use by pedestrians and nonmotorized vehicles (Rept. 106-923). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 603. Resolution waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 4578) making appropriations for the Department of Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes (Rept. 106–924). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. LINDER: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 604. Resolution providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 110) making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001, and for other purposes (Rept. 106-925). Referred to the House Calendar.