

operations per second, to measure computer performance and set export control thresholds based on country tiers. This is the intelligence information we have in various countries.

The conclusion could not be clearer. MTOPS are increasingly useless as a measure of performance. MTOPS cannot accurately measure performance of current microprocessors or alternative supercomputing sources clustering. This makes MTOPS-based hardware controls irrelevant. The best choice is to eliminate MTOPS.

Eliminating MTOPS will ensure America's continued prosperity and security in the networked world. It will ensure Government policies that promote U.S. global economic, technological, and military leadership.

Eliminating MTOPS will remove unnecessary and unproductive layer of regulation that no longer serves a meaningful national security purpose and will help level the playing field for American companies that compete in the global economy.

President Bush, the Department of Defense, the General Accounting Office, and the Defense Science Board all recently concluded that MTOPS is an "outdated and invalid" metric and that the current system is simply ineffective. Repeal of NDAA language would give the President the flexibility to develop a more modern, effective system.

This is a bill good for America, and when we come back, I will urge my colleagues to quickly move this legislation.

I again express my appreciation to the President of the United States and his Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice for giving us this information. We will, with their approval, move on this legislation as soon as we get back.

This letter was sent to the majority leader, Senator DASCHLE. I ask unanimous consent it be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the letter was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

THE WHITE HOUSE,
Washington, August 2, 2001.

Hon. THOMAS A. DASCHLE,
Majority Leader, U.S. Senate,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. LEADER: Thank you for your efforts to advance the Senate's consideration of S. 149, the Export Administration Act of 2001. This bill has the Administration's strong support.

I am pleased that the Senate plans to take up S. 149 on September 4, 2001. Because the current Export Administration Act (EAA) will expire on August 20, 2001, the President is prepared to use the authorities provided to him under the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (IEEPA) to extend the existing dual-use export control program. As you know, IEEPA authority has previously been used to administer our export control programs. Since a new EAA will provide us the strongest authority to administer dual-use export controls, particularly as related to enforcement, penalties for export control violations, and the protection of business proprietary information, we support swift enactment of S. 149.

I look forward to continuing to work with you on these important national security issues.

Sincerely,

CONDOLEEZZA RICE,
Assistant to the President for
National Security Affairs.

Mr. REID. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

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

UNANIMOUS CONSENT REQUEST— EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. Mr. President, as if in executive session, I ask unanimous consent all nominations received by the Senate during the 107th Congress, except numbers PN 386 and PN 630, remain in status quo, notwithstanding the August 3, 2001, adjournment of the Senate, and the provisions of rule 31, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

Mr. LOTT. Reserving the right to object, Mr. President, it is my understanding if this consent were granted on the two nominations, the two cited as PN 386 and PN 630, they would be returned to the White House. However, the White House could immediately re-submit the names. Therefore, I modify the request, or ask to modify the request so that all nominations remain in status quo during the adjournment of the Senate.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I reserve the right to object to that. I simply say Mary Gall had a hearing and she was not reported out of the committee. In fact, the committee acted affirmatively not to report that to the Senate. I say that Otto Reich as the Assistant Secretary of State—there have been a number of Senators who raised questions about that. If the President feels strongly about Otto Reich, during this period of time we are gone, he has the absolute authority to send that name back to us. I think that would be an appropriate way to proceed.

Therefore, I object to the modified request of the minority leader.

Mr. LOTT. Therefore, I object to the original request by the distinguished assistant majority leader.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I respect very much, of course, the decision made by the minority leader. I just disagree with him. It seems to me it is going to unnecessarily create a lot of work for a lot of people. Sending those two names back—if the President wishes to resubmit them, he can do that, but there is no need to belabor that any further today.

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, if I could be recognized just to respond briefly, I

understand what the Senator from Nevada is saying. We discussed it.

We believe Mary Sheila Gall's nomination to be Chairman of the Consumer Product Safety Commission was treated very badly and very shabbily in terms of the things that were said about her and the vote that occurred. I am sure there will be those who make the argument on the other side.

With regard to Otto Reich to be Assistant Secretary of State, he has not had a hearing. We believe it is unfair to single him out and send back just one nominee at this time.

My understanding is over the past several years, during the 5 years I was majority leader, in every year but one we sent back no nominees. In 1999, we did actually send back nine. To isolate it down to one or two this early in the session, we believe, is a problem. We realize it is a ministerial process now. They will all be sent down and all will be bundled up and sent back, but it does highlight our concern about the way these two nominees are being treated.

I understand what Senator REID was saying. We have taken that action, right or wrong. Now we can move on.

Mr. REID. I just say to the distinguished Republican leader, I had a meeting in my office yesterday on Otto Reich. Some of my friends came to speak to me very favorably about Otto Reich.

I think the decision may focus more attention on it than if the President simply resubmitted the name, but as I said earlier, time will only tell if he will resubmit the name. I am sure he will resubmit the names of all the others. It just creates a lot of paperwork for a lot of people.

Mr. LOTT. If the Senator will just yield on one point, I think the Senator for nominations we are going to be able to move now. A lot of work has been done to get this list cleared. You have given a lot of time to it, as has Senator NICKLES. I just wanted to thank you in advance for the work that has been done.

Mr. REID. Of course, nothing would be done but for the two leaders. Senator NICKLES and I were given an assignment to do what we could to clear these names. He came to me yesterday and he said, since you have been given this job, I have been able to clear three. He said prior to my getting involved he cleared 58 or so. For Senator NICKLES and me, this makes us look good also. But these names could not have been cleared but for the work of our two leaders.

The nominations returned are as follows:

NOMINATIONS RETURNED

The following nominations were returned to the President of the United States pursuant to Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate on Friday, August 3, 2001.

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

PN336 Department of Agriculture. Thomas C. Dorr, of Iowa, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Rural Development.

PN551 Department of Agriculture. Hilda Gay Legg, of Kentucky, to be Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture.

PN552 Department of Agriculture. Mark Edward Rey, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and Environment.

PN613 Department of Agriculture. Thomas C. Dorr, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

PN618 Department of Agriculture. Mark Edward Rey, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

PN714 Farm Credit Administration. Grace Trujillo Daniel, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation.

PN715 Farm Credit Administration. Fred L. Dailey, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation.

PN783 Department of Agriculture. Elsa A. Murano, of Texas, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Food Safety.

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

PN541 Department of Defense. Joseph E. Schmitz, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Department of Defense.

PN675 Department of Energy. Linton F. Brooks, of Virginia, to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation, National Nuclear Security Administration.

PN713 Department of Defense. Marvin R. Sambur, of Indiana, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force.

BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

PN440 Export-Import Bank of the United States. Eduardo Aguirre, Jr., of Texas, to be First Vice President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2005.

PN682 Department of the Treasury. James Gilleran, of California, to be Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision for the remainder of the term expiring October 23, 2002.

PN683 Department of Housing and Urban Development. Kenneth M. Donohue, Sr., of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

PN766 Federal Reserve System. Mark W. Olson, of Minnesota, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the unexpired term of fourteen years from February 1, 1996.

PN787 Federal Reserve System. Susan Schmidt Bies, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of fourteen years from February 1, 1998.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

PN386 Consumer Product Safety Commission. Mary Sheila Gall, of Virginia, to be Chairman of the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

PN491 Ellen G. Engleman, of Indiana, to be Administrator of the Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, vice Kelley S. Coyner, resigned.

PN504 Kirk Van Tine, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, vice Nancy E. McFadden.

PN586 National Transportation Safety Board. Marion Blakey, of Mississippi, to be Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board for a term of two years.

PN587 National Transportation Safety Board. Marion Blakey, of Mississippi, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board for a term expiring December 31, 2005.

PN780 Department of Transportation. Joseph M. Clapp, of North Carolina, to be Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

PN665 Department of the Interior. Jeffrey D. Jarrett, of Pennsylvania, to be Director of the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement.

ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

PN543 Department of Defense. Michael Parker, of Mississippi, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

PN577 Donald R. Schregardus, of Ohio, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, vice Steven Alan Herman, resigned.

PN659 Mississippi River Commission. Brigadier General Edwin J. Arnold, Jr., United States Army, to be a Member and President of the Mississippi River Commission, under the provisions of Section 2 of an Act of Congress, approved June 1879 (21 Stat. 37) (33 USC 642).

PN660 Mississippi River Commission. Brigadier General Carl A. Strock, United States Army, to be a Member of the Mississippi River Commission, under the provisions of Section 2 of an Act of Congress, approved 28 June 1879 (21 Stat. 37) (22 USC 642).

PN684 Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Nils J. Diaz, of Florida, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the term of five years expiring June 30, 2006.

PN685 Environmental Protection Agency. Marianne Lamont Horinko, of Virginia, to be Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste, Environmental Protection Agency.

PN686 Delta Regional Authority. P. H. Johnson, of Mississippi, to be Federal Co-chairperson, Delta Regional Authority.

PN716 Department of Transportation. Mary E. Peters, of Arizona, to be Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

PN443 Department of Health and Human Services. Janet Hale, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services.

PN568 Department of the Treasury. Robert C. Bonner, of California, to be Commissioner of Customs.

PN643 Social Security Administration. Jo Anne Barnhart, of Delaware, to be Commissioner of Social Security for the term expiring January 19, 2007.

PN785 Department of the Treasury. B. John Williams, Jr., of Virginia, to be Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service and an Assistant General Counsel in the Department of the Treasury.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

PN414 Department of State. John D. Negroponce, of the District of Columbia, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations.

PN415 Department of State. John D. Negroponce, of the District of Columbia, to be the Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, and the Representative of the United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations.

PN426 Department of State. George L. Argyros, Sr., of California, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Spain, and to serve concurrently and without additional

compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Andorra.

PN589 Department of State. Charlotte L. Beers, of Texas, to be Under Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy.

PN590 International Joint Commission, United States and Canada. Dennis L. Schornack, of Michigan, to be Commissioner on the part of the United States on the International Joint Commission, United States and Canada.

PN602 Department of State. J. Richard Blankenship, of Florida, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas.

PN626 Department of State. Hans H. Hertell, of Puerto Rico, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Dominican Republic.

PN630 Department of State. Otto J. Reich, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Western Hemisphere Affairs).

PN676 Department of State. Ronald E. Neumann, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the State of Bahrain.

PN679 Department of State. Patricia de Stacy Harrison, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Educational and Cultural Affairs).

PN687 Department of State. Joseph M. DeThomas, of Pennsylvania, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Estonia.

PN688 Department of State. Patrick Francis Kennedy, of Illinois, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Career Minister, to be Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for the U.N. Management and Reform, with the rank of Ambassador.

PN689 Department of State. Michael E. Malinowski, of the District of Columbia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Kingdom of Nepal.

PN690 Department of State. Arlene Render, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Cote d'Ivoire.

PN693 Department of State. John F. Turner, of Wyoming, to be Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs.

PN695 Department of State. John N. Palmer, of Mississippi, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Portugal.

PN696 Department of State. Bonnie McElveen-Hunter, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Finland.

PN697 Department of State. Brian E. Carlson, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Career Minister, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Latvia.

PN698 Department of State. Mattie R. Sharpless, of North Carolina, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Career Minister, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United

States of America to the Central African Republic.

PN699 Department of State. R. Barrie Walkley, of California, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Guinea.

PN718 United States Agency for International Development. Kent R. Hill, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

PN719 Department of State. John J. Danilovich, of California, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Costa Rica.

PN767 Department of State. Jackson McDonald, of Florida, 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 Republic of the Gambia.

PN768 Department of State. John Malcolm Ordway, of California, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Armenia.

PN784 Department of State. Marcelle M. Wahba, of California, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the United Arab Emirates.

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

PN470 The Judiciary. Odessa F. Vincent, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

PN769 Special Panel on Appeals. John L. Howard, of Illinois, to be Chairman of the Special Panel on Appeals for a term of six years.

HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

PN351 Department of Education. Brian Jones, of California, to be General Counsel, Department of Education.

PN353 Department of Labor. Eugene Scalia, of Virginia, to be Solicitor for the Department of Labor.

PN405 Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Cari M. Dominguez, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for a term expiring July 1, 2001.

PN608 Department of Health and Human Services. Joan E. Ohl, of West Virginia, to be Commissioner on Children, Youth, and Families, Department of Health and Human Services.

PN692 National Foundation On the Arts and the Humanities. Bruce Cole, of Indiana, to be Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Humanities for a term of four years.

PN720 Corporation For National and Community Service. Leslie Lenkowsky, of Indiana, to be Chief Executive Officer for the Corporation for National and Community Service.

PN776 Department of Labor. Frederico Juarbe, Jr., of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

PN325 Department of Justice. John W. Gillis, of California, to be Director of the Office for Victims of Crime.

PN393 The Judiciary. Barrington D. Parker, Jr., of Connecticut, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit.

PN394 The Judiciary. Terrence W. Boyle, of North Carolina, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.

PN395 The Judiciary. Dennis W. Shedd, of South Carolina, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.

PN396 The Judiciary. Edith Brown Clement, of Louisiana, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit.

PN397 The Judiciary. Priscilla Richman Owen, of Texas, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit.

PN398 The Judiciary. Deborah L. Cook, of Ohio, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit.

PN399 The Judiciary. Jeffrey S. Sutton, of Ohio, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit.

PN400 The Judiciary. Michael W. McConnell, of Utah, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit.

PN401 The Judiciary. Miguel A. Estrada, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit.

PN403 The Judiciary. John G. Roberts, Jr., of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit.

PN432 The Judiciary. Sharon Prost, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit.

PN448 Department of Justice. Thomas L. Sansonetti, of Wyoming, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

PN449 The Judiciary. Lavenski R. Smith, of Arkansas, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit.

PN457 Department of Justice. J. Robert Flores, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

PN463 Department of Commerce. James Edward Rogan, of California, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

PN471 The Judiciary. Charles W. Pickering, Sr., of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit.

PN472 The Judiciary. Timothy M. Tymkovich, of Colorado, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit.

PN482 Department of Justice. Deborah J. Daniels, of Indiana, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

PN483 Department of Justice. Richard R. Nedelkoff, of Texas, to be Director of the Bureau of Justice Assistance.

PN484 Executive Office of the President. John P. Walters, of Michigan, to be Director of National Drug Control Policy.

PN535 The Judiciary. Terry L. Wooten, of South Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina.

PN545 The Judiciary. Laurie Smith Camp, of Nebraska, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nebraska.

PN546 The Judiciary. Paul G. Cassell, of Utah, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah.

PN547 Department of Judiciary. Sharee M. Freeman, of Virginia, to be Director, Community Relations Service, for a term of four years.

PN548 The Judiciary. John D. Bates, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia.

PN549 The Judiciary. Reggie B. Walton, of the District of Columbia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia.

PN557 The Judiciary. Harris L. Hartz, of New Mexico, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit.

PN558 The Judiciary. Mary Ellen Coster Williams, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

PN563 The Judiciary. Richard R. Clifton, of Hawaii, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

PN564 The Judiciary. Carolyn B. Kuhl, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

PN609 The Judiciary. James E. Gritzner, of Iowa, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Iowa.

PN610 The Judiciary. Michael J. Melloy, of Iowa, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit.

PN611 The Judiciary. Michael P. Mills, of Mississippi, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Mississippi.

PN629 Department of Justice. Mauricio J. Tamargo, of Florida, to be Chairman of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States for a term expiring September 30, 2003.

PN700 Department of Justice. John W. Suthers, of Colorado, to be United States Attorney for the District of Colorado for the term of four years.

PN701 Department of Justice. Anna Mills S. Wagoner, of North Carolina, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of North Carolina for the term of four years.

PN702 Department of Justice. Thomas E. Moss, of Idaho, to be United States Attorney for the District of Idaho for the term of four years.

PN703 Department of Justice. William Walter Mercer, of Montana, to be United States Attorney for the District of Montana for the term of four years.

PN704 Department of Justice. Michael G. Heavican, of Nebraska, to be United States Attorney for the District of Nebraska for the term of four years.

PN705 Department of Justice. Todd Peterson Graves, of Missouri, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri for the term of four years.

PN706 Department of Justice. John L. Brownlee, of Virginia, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Virginia for the term of four years.

PN707 Department of Justice. Paul K. Charlton, of Arizona, to be United States Attorney for the District of Arizona for the term of four years.

PN717 Department of Justice. Cranston J. Mitchell, of Missouri, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission for a term of six years.

PN721 Department of Justice. Edward F. Reilly, of Kansas, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission for a term of six years.

PN722 Department of Justice. Marie F. Raghianti, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission for a term of six years.

PN723 Department of Justice. Gilbert G. Gallegos, of New Mexico, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission for a term of six years.

PN724 Department of Justice. J. Strom Thurmond, Jr., of South Carolina, to be the United States Attorney for the District of South Carolina for the term of four years.

PN725 The Judiciary. Charles F. Lettow, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

PN726 The Judiciary. Marian Blank Horn, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

PN727 Department of Justice. Michael W. Mosman, of Oregon, to be United States Attorney for the District of Oregon for the term of four years.

PN728 Department of Justice. Paul J. McNulty, of Virginia, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia for the term of four years.

PN729 Department of Justice. Robert Garner McCampbell, of Oklahoma, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Oklahoma for the term of four years.

PN730 Department of Justice. Harry Sandlin Mattice, Jr., of Tennessee, to be

United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Tennessee for the term of four years.

PN731 Department of Justice. Timothy Mark Burgess, of Alaska, to be United States Attorney for the District of Alaska for the term of four years.

PN734 The Judiciary. Terrence L. O'Brien, of Wyoming, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit.

PN735 The Judiciary. Jeffrey R. Howard, of New Hampshire, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit.

PN736 The Judiciary. M. Christina Armijo, of New Mexico, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Mexico.

PN737 The Judiciary. Karon O. Bowdre, of Alabama, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama.

PN738 The Judiciary. David L. Bunning, of Kentucky, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky.

PN739 The Judiciary. Karen K. Caldwell, of Kentucky, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky.

PN740 The Judiciary. Claire V. Eagan, of Oklahoma, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Oklahoma.

PN741 The Judiciary. Kurt D. Engelhardt, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

PN742 The Judiciary. Stephen P. Friot, of Oklahoma, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Oklahoma.

PN743 The Judiciary. Callie V. Granade, of Alabama, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Alabama.

PN744 The Judiciary. Joe L. Heaton, of Oklahoma, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Oklahoma.

PN745 The Judiciary. Larry R. Hicks, of Nevada, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada.

PN746 The Judiciary. William P. Johnson, of New Mexico, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Mexico.

PN747 The Judiciary. James H. Payne, of Oklahoma, to be United States District Judge for the Northern, Eastern and Western Districts of Oklahoma.

PN748 The Judiciary. Danny C. Reeves, of Kentucky, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky.

PN749 Department of Justice. Roscoe Conklin Howard, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be United States Attorney for the District of Columbia for the term of four years.

PN750 Department of Justice. David Claudio Iglesias, of New Mexico, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Mexico for the term of four years.

PN751 Department of Justice. Matthew Hansen Mead, of Wyoming, to be United States Attorney for the District of Wyoming for the term of four years.

PN752 Department of Justice. Michael J. Sullivan, of Massachusetts, to be United States Attorney for the District of Massachusetts for the term of four years.

PN753 Department of Justice. Drew Howard Wrigley, of North Dakota, to be United States Attorney for the District of North Dakota for the term of four years.

PN754 Department of Justice. Colm F. Connolly, of Delaware, to be United States Attorney for the District of Delaware for the term of four years.

PN755 Department of Justice. Susan W. Brooks, of Indiana, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana for the term of four years.

PN756 Department of Justice. Leura Garrett Canary, of Alabama, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Alabama for the term of four years.

PN757 Department of Justice. Thomas C. Gean, of Arkansas, to be United States At-

torney for the Western District of Arkansas for the term of four years.

PN758 Department of Justice. Raymond W. Gruender, of Missouri, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri for the term of four years.

PN759 Department of Justice. Joseph S. Van Bokkelen, of Indiana, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Indiana for the term of four years.

PN760 Department of Justice. Charles W. Larson, Sr., of Iowa, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Iowa for the term of four years.

PN761 The Judiciary. Lawrence J. Block, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

PN770 Department of Justice. Margaret M. Chiara, of Michigan, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Michigan for the term of four years.

PN771 Department of Justice. Robert J. Conrad, Jr., of North Carolina, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina for the term of four years.

PN772 Department of Justice. James Ming Greenlee, of Mississippi, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Mississippi for the term of four years.

PN773 Department of Justice. Terrell Lee Harris, of Tennessee, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Tennessee for the term of four years.

PN774 Department of Justice. Stephen Beville Pence, of Kentucky, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky for the term of four years.

PN775 Department of Justice. Gregory F. Van Tatenhove, of Kentucky, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky for the term of four years.

PN779 Executive Office of the President. Scott M. Burns, of Utah, to be Deputy Director for State and Local Affairs, Office of National Drug Control Policy.

PN781 Department of Justice. Thomas B. Heffelfinger, of Minnesota, to be United States Attorney for the District of Minnesota for the term of four years.

PN782 Department of Justice. Patrick Leo Meehan, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania for the term of four years.

PN786 Department of Justice. Jay S. Bybee, of Nevada, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

PN776 Department of Labor. Frederico Juarbe, Jr., of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to proceed to executive session to consider en bloc the following nominations: Calendar Nos. 59, 60, 159, 161, 248, 303 through 310, 312 through 336, 338 through 342, 347 through 359, and all the nominations on the Secretary's desk; that the nominees be confirmed; that the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table; and the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action.

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

The nominations considered and confirmed en bloc are as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Kenneth W. Dam, of Illinois, to be Deputy Secretary of the Treasury.

Michele A. Davis, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

James Gurule, of Michigan, to be Under Secretary of the Treasury for Enforcement.

Peter R. Fisher, of New Jersey, to be an Under Secretary of the Treasury.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Robert D. McCallum, Jr., of Georgia, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Michael J. Garcia, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

Linda Mysliwiy Conlin, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Henrietta Holsman Fore, of Nevada, to be Director of the Mint for a term of five years.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Michael Minoru Fawn Liu, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Melody H. Fennel, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

David A. Sampson, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Jeffrey R. Holmstead, of Colorado, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

George Tracy Mehan, III, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Judith Elizabeth Ayres, of California, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Richard J. Egan, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Ireland.

Vincent Martin Battle, of the District of Columbia, 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 Republic of Lebanon.

Richard Henry Jones, of Nebraska, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the State of Kuwait.

Craig Roberts Stapleton, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Czech Republic.

Robert Geers Loftis, of Colorado, 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 Kingdom of Lesotho.

Daniel R. Coats, of Indiana, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Federal Republic of Germany.

Theodore H. Kattouf, of Maryland, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Syrian Arab Republic.

Maureen Quinn, of New Jersey, 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 State of Qatar.