

These goals further reflect our recognition that the threats of terrorism and proliferation of weapons of mass destruction endanger the security not only of the United States and Kazakhstan, but of the world at large. We therefore seek to develop our security cooperation to address these challenges and foster cooperation among Kazakhstan, its Central Asian neighbors, the United States, and our European friends, partners, and allies. In pursuit of these objectives, we are determined to deepen cooperation bilaterally and within NATO's Partnership for Peace.

We reiterate our intent to cooperate in the war against terrorism to its conclusion and within the framework of the international coalition. We underscore our support for a broad-based Afghan government at peace internally and with its neighbors. We also pledge our readiness to cooperate in Afghanistan's reconstruction.

Recognizing that Kazakhstan was the first country to renounce its nuclear-weapons status voluntarily, we reaffirm our mutual commitment to the non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction. Both sides agree on the need for urgent attention to improving the physical protection and accounting of all nuclear, chemical, and biological weapons materials in all possessor states, and to preventing illicit trafficking in these materials. We pledge to expand our cooperation on these matters under the United States-Kazakhstan Cooperative Threat Reduction Agreement.

In the spirit of partnership, Kazakhstan and the United States intend to strengthen joint activity in ensuring security and stability in Central Asia. We agree that the expansion of trade and economic ties among the states of Central Asia, and deepening of regional integration in important areas, such as the environment, water resources, and transportation systems are a basis for regional security. The United States will consider enhancing assistance programs to Kazakhstan to strengthen border security and to increase the defensive capabilities of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

We recognize that free market economies and the rule of law provide the most effective means to advance the welfare of our citizens and the stability of our societies. The United States and Kazakhstan pledge to advance our bilateral economic, trade, and investment relations, including through expanded contacts between the business communities of our countries. We will strive to further develop an attractive, transparent and predictable investment climate. Achieving this goal requires removal of legislative and administrative barriers to investment, strengthening respect for contracts and the rule of law, reducing corruption, and enhancing Kazakhstan's strong record on economic reform.

We also intend to cooperate to advance Kazakhstan's integration in the global economy by supporting Kazakhstan's accession to the World Trade Organization on the basis of standard and agreed criteria, and its graduation from the Jackson-Vanik Amendment.

We affirm our desire to strengthen our energy partnership to diversify export options for Kazakhstan's oil and gas and to diversify global energy supplies. We share the view that a key element of this effort is development of multiple pipelines that will ensure delivery of Caspian energy to world markets, unfettered by monopolies or constrained by geographic chokepoints. We welcome the recent opening of the Caspian Pipeline Consortium (CPC) Pipeline and underscore our support for development of the Aktau-Baku-Tbilisi-Ceyhan oil export route on commercial terms. We will also work together to

protect the rights of foreign investors and to abide by decisions of courts, particularly of international courts of arbitration.

Recognizing that democracy is a cornerstone of long-term stability, we reaffirm our desire to strengthen democratic institutions and processes, such as independent media, local government, pluralism, and free and fair elections. We also reiterate our mutual commitments to advance the rule of law and promote freedom of religion and other universal human rights as promoted by the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, of which we are both members. Finally, we pledge to enhance understanding between the citizens of our two countries by promoting people-to-people exchanges, initiatives of nongovernmental organizations, and contacts between business people.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO MORLEY BALLANTINE

HON. SCOTT McINNIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 5, 2002

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to Morley Ballantine and thank her for her contributions to the State of Colorado and the Durango community. Morley will always be remembered as a dedicated pillar and leader of the community. She has been honored and idolized throughout the years for her hard work and commitment to preserving the Southwestern heritage and culture. As we celebrate her exceptional honor of being inducted into the Colorado Business Hall of Fame, I would like to take the time to highlight her career and bring several of her accomplishments to the attention of this body of Congress.

Morley became a member of the community when she and her husband, Arthur, relocated to Durango in 1952 and established a local newspaper, the Durango Herald. Their passionate, lifelong pursuit of providing quality, trustworthy news to Colorado citizens has been rewarded and praised throughout the region for over fifty years. As the Durango Herald passes this recent milestone, it enjoys the ranking as one of Southern Colorado's most influential news sources in the region. Morley, along with son Richard, have led the paper's efforts to produce quality journalism and are additionally responsible for several other successful outlets, notably the Mancos Times, the Cortez Journal, and local magazine Inside/Outside.

In their quest to continue and promote our Western roots, the Ballantines have dedicated their resources and energy to preserving our historic cultures. Beginning in 1964, the family contributed \$10,000 to fund the Center for Southwest Studies located at Ft. Lewis College in Durango. The center is responsible for the collection and maintenance of artifacts, records, and accounts of Colorado history, most notably the ancient Anasazi Indian culture. Their initial donation was just a prelude to the enormous and generous donations of \$500,000 over the last century.

Mr. Speaker, Morley Ballantine, as well as her family, have been model citizens and icons of the State of Colorado. Throughout her life, Morley has dedicated her time and energy to improving her fellow citizen's lives through

organizations such as the Colorado Forum, Women's Foundation, and ensuring our younger generations are provided with a quality education as a trustee emeriti for Fountain Valley School in Colorado Springs. She has been a true leader for Colorado and her efforts certainly deserve the praise and adulation of this body of Congress, and this nation. Congratulations on your recent honor Morley, and good luck in your future endeavors.

NATIONAL LAMPOON ARTICLE

HON. FORTNEY PETE STARK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 5, 2002

Mr. STARK. Mr. Speaker, I encourage my colleagues to take a moment to read the following article from the satirical website magazine, National Lampoon Dotcom. Sometimes irony is the most revealing truth.

[From the National Lampoon, Jan. 29, 2002]
COMPANIES LINE UP TO HIRE ARTHUR ANDERSEN

NEW YORK—Accounting firm Arthur Andersen stunned observers when, in the wake of the Enron scandal, the red-faced auditors reported a huge leap in new business.

"We were worried that the allegations of signing off on fake partnerships, covering up millions in losses and shredding documents would tarnish our image," stated Andersen CEO Joseph Berardino. "But it turns out that a lot of companies have seen that we here at Arthur Andersen are willing to go the extra mile for their business."

Business experts agree.

"There are a lot of companies, particularly on the NASDAQ, that could stand to have \$600 million in bogus profits right now," noted Mike Farnsworth, CEO of Temblor Telecommunications. "It makes management look good."

"Look, most of my compensation is based on options," continued Farnsworth. "Why would I hire an accounting firm that might insist on the spirit of the law, when I could hire Arthur Andersen and cash out? Those guys are pros! When I saw that guy [David Duncan] refuse to testify in front of Congress, I knew that the boys at Andersen had balls. There's no 'I' in 'Team' with them."

The rest of the big 5 accounting firms have taken note.

"At KPMG, we're not just a rubberstamp," stated Global Chairman Stephen Butler. "We're a respected rubberstamp."

Farnsworth is unmoved. "I'm going to stand in front of all my employees this afternoon and tell them that there's no better time to buy our stock, even though at the same time, I'll be dumping my shares faster than I ditched my second wife. The only reason I can do this is because I can rest-assured that the \$500 million of debt hidden in off-shore partnerships will be just between me and Arthur Andersen."

"Every time they invoke the 5th Amendment, they prove they're a name I can trust," finished Farnsworth.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM HERMAN FAIRBROTHER

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 5, 2002

Mr. ROGERS of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to William Herman

Fairbrother for his service to our country. Mr. Fairbrother served his country for forty-three years and did what he loved.

William Herman Fairbrother was born in Endicott, New York, on March 28, 1923, the son of Lieutenant Herman and Caroline Fairbrother. He grew up on a variety of Infantry Posts, to include the Panama Canal Zone, and Manila, Philippine Islands. Bill entered the United States Military Academy at West Point on a Congressional appointment from the 34th District of New York. When he arrived at West Point he knew the prepared sling, the hasty sling and had qualified with the 30-caliber water-cooled machine gun. This made it easy to shoot expert with the M1 Garand plebe year. Academics, however, were something else. With the help of "Sully's Cram School" in Washington, DC the previous year he did fairly well in the first half year. But after that it was a continuing struggle to stay proficient. Because of many moves, High School had been rushed and spotty, and the four years of Academy study being rushed into three because of World War II made the task even harder. On the other hand, flying, which was his first love went smoothly. Primary flight training in Texas and then Basic and Advanced at Stewart during the three years went without problems. It was during the Plebe year that he picked up the nickname "Fair-Bee" in keeping with the academy tradition to reduce the spoken word to its simplest form.

Fair-B graduated with the class of 1944, the D-Day class, albeit rather far down the list. On the very next day, in the Cadet Chapel, he married his childhood sweetheart, Patricia Ross of Kenmore, New York and they lived happily ever after. P-40 and P-47 training, together with those of the class selected for the Fighter business, followed with time at many different bases, as the Service endeavored to stuff as much military experience into the class as they could before sending them overseas. Shortly thereafter it was Ie Shima Flying P-47's against the Japanese. After the war the unit moved over to Okinawa and Patricia joined him there in 1946. They, along with many other pioneer souls set up house-keeping in a Quonset hut. Number one daughter, Bonnie was born in Okinawa in 1947. In December 1947, Fair-B brought the family back to the US to Selfridge, Michigan. The duty was with the 56th Fighter Group flying F-80's and F-86's, where he was squadron adjutant and group adjutant. It was during this time, in 1948, that daughter number two, Nancy, was born. In 1951 it was off to Minneapolis in the Air Defense Control Center business. There he was assigned as an aircraft controller and control center chief with the 31st Air Division. Flying time was cadged from the local guard squadron, which was equipped with P-51s. Then in 1953 cold weather assignments continued, this time to Rapid City, South Dakota and the 54th Fighter Interceptor Squadron at Ellsworth Air Force Base. This was probably the happiest assignment in his career, with over two years of the time there being in command of the squadron. Initially, the airplanes were P-51s, then F84Gs and finally F-86Ds. He had always said that next to being a Captain and Fighter Squadron Flight commander, the position of Fighter Squadron Commander was the best job in the Air Force.

Exchange duty with the Royal Air Force at RAF Manby, England followed in June of

1956. The assignment was attendance at the RAF Flying College. The family thoroughly enjoyed this short tour living in the small East Anglia town of Sutton-on-Sea, going to English Schools, learning the language, dealing with pounds, schillings and pence, and driving the left side of the road. Fair-B accumulated a respectable amount of time in British Aircraft to include the Gloster meteor, Hawker Hunter and British Electric Canberra. In January 1957 the family arrived in Rabat Morocco. The assignment here was Chief, Combat Operations in the 316th Air Division. Further broadening and true sophistication took place during this time. Not only was the Division partially manned with French Air Force personnel but also, the family lived in a French villa and had an Arab houseboy. In addition, flights on military aircraft, with family, up to the European continent were allowed once a year. They took full advantage of this privilege and managed to visit Spain, Portugal, Italy, France, Germany and Switzerland during their Moroccan stay. The Division Fighter Squadrons were equipped with F-86D and F-100 aircraft so Fair-B was able to keep his hand in. There were many trips to Wheeler Air Force Base in Tripoli, Libya, where the squadrons when TDY for gunnery and rocketry training.

The three and a half years in North Africa went by quickly, and the return to the US happened in June 1960 with attendance at the Air War College. Following graduation from the Air War College he spent a long five years in the Pentagon, first on the Air Staff in War Plans and then as Executive Assistant in the Office of the Air Force Chief of Staff. One year with Curtis LeMay and one year with John McConnell provided rare and valuable staff experience.

After the fast pace of the Washington area, duty on the CINCPAC staff in Hawaii, starting in 1966, seemed slow indeed. Here Fair-B served on the staff of the Commander in Chief, Pacific, at Camp Smith. Not only did they take off for the weekends, but Wednesday afternoons as well. The duty was good, with many evaluation trips to the MAAG supported countries in the Far East. This, together with quarters on Hickam, and the benevolent Hawaiian weather made for a delightful tour.

Patricia stayed in Hawaii when Fair-B went to the Republic of Vietnam to join the 14th Special Operations Wing. As Vice Commander and then Commander he was kept busy monitoring the varied activities of the Wing, which were performed from nine separate bases. The little command O-2 spent a lot of time touring the country. In addition to the clandestine operations, the Wing had the AC-47 and AC-119 gunships, the psychological warfare business with O-2s and C-47s and the only armed helicopter squadron in the Air Force, flying UH-1Ns. He served the Wing from September 1969, to September 1970.

After Vietnam the next assignment as Deputy Chief of Staff at Headquarters Air Force Logistics Command at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio with the job of DCS Distribution. The assignment was not because of any logistics experience but mainly because the boss man wanted some operational talent on the staff. The job was fascinating and of enormous scope. Fair-B jumped in with his typical enthusiasm and his performance helped in getting him promoted to Brigadier General on April 1, 1972. Separation from the Air Force came in 1974 with Fair-B being al-

lowed to keep the wife and kids and the Air Force keeping the airplanes. His decorations and awards include the Legion of Merit, Distinguished Flying Cross with oak leaf cluster, Air Medal with two oak leaf clusters and the Meritorious Service Medal. He was a command pilot.

Fair-B and Patricia, hand in hand then returned to Hawaii, their choice of all the places they had tried throughout the years. They moved into an apartment on Waikiki beach and then took the time to read what there wasn't time for before, and work on the projects that had long ago been put aside. Other activities during this eight-year idyll included working with the House Republican Whip in the Hawaii State Legislature, activities with the Retiree Affairs Council at Hickam and work with the Oahu Chapter of the Air Force Association. 1982 found them in San Antonio, Texas, and in 1987 they made their next-to-the-last PAC move into a cottage at Air Force Village II. Fair-B served three years as a Trustee on the Board of the Air Force Village Foundation, and over three years as a Director on the Air Force Village 11 Board of Directors.

He died at 6 am on January 27th at Air Force Village II. He is survived by Patricia; daughters and sons-in-law Bonnie and Jerold Kreidler, Nancy and James Councilor and granddaughters Katherine and Patricia Councilor.

While it can be said he never single handedly moved the world around, he certainly participated in many worthwhile events that did. As a result those who knew him well can look back over his busy years and say, "Not too shabby, old son, not too shabby."

William H. Fairbrother lived his life according to the Cadet Prayer spoken so many decades ago.

O God, our Father, Though Searcher of Human hearts, help us to draw near to Thee in sincerity and truth. May our religion be filled with gladness and may our worship of Thee be natural.

Strengthen and increase our admiration for honest dealing and clean thinking, and suffer not our hatred of hypocrisy and pretence ever to diminish. Encourage us in our endeavor to live above the common level of life. Make us to choose the harder right instead of the easier wrong, and never to be content with a half truth when the whole can be won.

Endow us with courage that is born of loyalty to all that is noble and worthy, that scorns to compromise with vice and injustice and knows no fear when truth and right are in jeopardy.

Guard us against flippancy and irreverence in the sacred things of life. Grant us new ties of friendship and new opportunities of service. Kindle our hearts in fellowship with those of a cheerful countenance, and soften our hearts with sympathy for those who sorrow and suffer.

Help us to maintain the honor of the Corps untarnished and unsullied and to show forth in our lives the ideals of West Point in doing our duty to Thee and to our Country.

All of which we ask in the name of the Great Friend and Master of all. Amen.

Therefore, Mr. Speaker, I respectfully ask my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to Mr. William Herman Fairbrother. I salute his service to our country.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JERRY WELLER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 5, 2002

Mr. WELLER. Mr. Speaker, on January 24, 2002, I inadvertently missed a vote because of an electrical failure in my office which caused the buzzer system to malfunction. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye" on this important legislation which amends the Higher Education Act of 1965 to establish fixed interest rates for student and parent borrowers.

SIXTH GRADE ALL-STAR
BASKETBALL EXCHANGE**HON. CONSTANCE A. MORELLA**

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 5, 2002

Mrs. MORELLA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of thirteen of my young constituents, and in recognition of the organizers of the Thirty-seventh Annual Potomac, Maryland/Windsor Locks, Connecticut sixth Grade All-Star Basketball Exchange, which took place this past weekend, February 1-3.

For the past thirty-seven years, the best sixth grade basketball players from Potomac, MD and Windsor Locks, CT have met to compete and to forge friendships that span 300 miles of Atlantic coastline. The exchange began in 1965 when two gentlemen, an Allegheny Airline pilot from Maryland and a Bradley Airport manager from Connecticut made a friendly bet on whose sixth grade basketball team was better. Every year since, parents and children from Potomac and Windsor Locks have contributed memories to the history of the exchange. This year, the weekend culminated in a Saturday night showdown at the MCI center, here in Washington. I can proudly announce to you that the game was won by the team from Potomac. The big weekend followed a January trip to the Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Massachusetts, where the boys got a chance to learn about the history and development of the game.

The Potomac team, coached by Rick Brown, consisted of Jamie Bloom, A.J. Brown, Brian Casey, Ben Chernow, Matt Grady, Mike Giannangeli, Ian Hendrie, Kyle Moshkin, Matt Nunez, Brendan Oldham, Colter Phillips, Blake Toll, and Ezra Weisel. The Connecticut team was coached by Mike Heneghan and Mike Barile. The team's players were Kevin Barile, Spencer Bernard, Kyle Cirillo, Bryan Doherty, Jose Forbes, Ryan Gilbert, Kevin Landry, Steve McVey, Geoff Oliveira, Tyler Pepin, Tim Quagliaroli and Matt Wadsworth.

In these days when the term "National Unity" seems to be heard on a daily basis, these boys and their parents have bridged a geographic gap and come together on the basketball court. While this tradition has been wonderful for each of its thirty-seven years, this year it serves a special role in reminding us all that while our country is vast and diverse, we need not a national tragedy to bring us together, but instead only a common interest.

I am proud of these athletic young constituents, their parents, and all those who have

gone before them to make this anniversary possible. Please join me in applauding these young people, and in wishing the organizers the best of luck in continuing to bring together the sixth graders of Maryland and Connecticut.

HONORING THE PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMITMENT OF KAREN
PAPASODORA-COCHRANE**HON. J. RANDY FORBES**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 5, 2002

Mr. FORBES. Mr. Speaker, last week, the President in his state of the union address called upon all Americans to reveal the better side of their nature and to take time to contribute to their communities through a variety of volunteer activities. I rise today to honor a Chesapeake, Virginia woman who heeded that call long before it was made.

Karen Papasodora-Cochrane is an attorney and mediator, a loving wife and mother for four. But, she is also an active member of her community, volunteering her time, energy, and skills to a variety of causes. Since moving to Chesapeake in 1989, Karen has volunteered to help her neighbors most in need of assistance. She has offered her time raising money for the Chesapeake Care Free Clinic, serving meals to the homeless, and working at the Clothing Closet and Food Pantry at Kempsville Presbyterian Church. Karen has also given of her legal skills, providing pro bono services at the Chesapeake Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court to help victims of domestic violence and supervising a free legal clinic in a low-income community.

Furthermore, Karen has been an active participant in the civic process that keeps our democracy moving at its most basic levels. She has been an active member and leader in the Republican Party of Chesapeake and the Central Chesapeake Republican Women's Club for many years. Later this month, she will be honored by her colleagues for this commitment as Chesapeake's Grassroots Volunteer of the Year. I can hardly imagine anyone who is more deserving of this award.

We can all learn from her commitment and dedication to the principle of public service. I am honored to know her and to have had the privilege of working by her side for the betterment of the city I call home. Her energy has been an inspiration, and I feel privileged to have the opportunity to share her spirit with this chamber today.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO CHARLES
HANSEN**HON. SCOTT McINNIS**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 5, 2002

Mr. McINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to the life and memory of Charles Hansen, a Colorado newspaperman and visionary whose life and dedication to his community is being inducted and honored by the Colorado Business Hall of Fame. Though Charles has passed away, I am honored today to bring his good deeds

and contributions to light before this body of Congress. Charles began his career in journalism and later was instrumental in establishing the gathering of the West's most precious resource, water.

As a young newspaperman, Charles came to the town of Greeley, Colorado in hopes of furthering his career in journalism. His first job was working as a part-time reporter/editor for the Greeley Tribune, where he covered stories throughout the Western Slope of Colorado. Several years later, he bought several small local newspapers and combined their resources and created the "Greeley Republican." He further merged his resources with the Greeley Tribune in 1913 and successfully operated both endeavors as publisher and eventually as President of the "Greeley Tribune Republican Publishing Co."

Charles Hansen was a great cultural contributor to the region and was instrumental in bringing well known musicians and talent to the area. He was responsible for establishing the Greeley Philharmonic Orchestra, which enticed symphony orchestras from New York and Los Angeles to visit the state, as well as bringing in notables such as the John Philip Sousa Marching Band. As a member of his community, he was active in the Greeley Chamber of Commerce and dedicated his time and energy to the Northern Colorado Water Conservancy Districts. It was for his dedication to bringing water to the plains from the mountains that Charles will be most remembered.

As any Westerner knows, water is our most precious resource. The water in our state not only satisfies our human requirements, but also is necessary to provide moisture for our agricultural industries. Charles, well aware of the need for this resource, lobbied Congress on behalf of the region and secured funding for what came to be known as the Colorado-Big Thompson Water Diversion Project. The project not only satisfied northern Colorado's water needs but also became a model for aspiring agricultural communities throughout the world. His contributions to the project were later honored when a portion of the canal was named in his honor.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I have risen today to pay tribute to a patriarch of the State of Colorado. Charles Hansen dedicated his life to improving his fellow Coloradan's lives through contributions to his community, commitment to quality journalism, and dedication to providing his region with its most precious resource. I would like to take this time to congratulate his family on Charles' recent award and let them know that all his fellow Coloradans have benefited from his vision and sacrifice, which had made the region strong and viable today.

AMERICAN MACHINIST
MAGAZINE'S 125TH ANNIVERSARY**HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 5, 2002

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of American Machinist magazine's 125th Anniversary, the oldest metalworking publication in existence.