

organization dedicated to kill us. We have known this situation since September 11. Why is it that with the passage of years, that is, until last week, that the administration finally says they actually are going to have a 24/7 effort to catch Osama bin Laden? They launched a war and took their eye off the ball to catch this guy who is at-large, and now, last week, finally says now we are going to have an all-out effort to catch Osama bin Laden? Where have they been?

They have been in Iraq, and I have a question I want this administration to answer. I was asked by the victims families of September 11 two weeks ago. Why, after September 11, when we knew that somewhere between 12 and 15 of the hijackers who killed our people were from Saudi Arabia, did this administration allow an airplane to fly all across America, when everybody else was grounded, when you could not fly home from anywhere, why did this administration specifically allow an airplane, paid for by Saudi Arabia, to fly around this country picking up potential witnesses who could have helped us catch Osama bin Laden, including members of the bin Laden family? Why did this administration allow that?

Mr. DELAHUNT. If you know, how many Saudis were implicated in the attack on America on September 11?

Mr. INSLEE. Mr. Speaker, I think it was something like 15 out of the 19, and yet this administration, I want to know why they flew out these people two days after September 11 without the full, complete, comprehensive interrogation of these individuals, including blood relatives of the guy who we know did this, and several days later they are playing footsy with the ambassador down at the White House of Saudi Arabia, an organization that has been very close to the oil and gas industry? I want to know why they did that. Maybe there is a good answer. I cannot imagine what it is, but this is one of the questions that the people who are serving in Iraq and the victims of September 11 want answered.

Mr. DELAHUNT. Mr. Speaker, by the way, how many Iraqis were on that plane?

Mr. INSLEE. Zero Iraqis on that plane.

Mr. DELAHUNT. One of you noted recently that the individual who was responsible, the Pakistani who is responsible for the proliferation of nuclear weapon technology to North Korea and Iran has been identified, and what have we heard from this administration, this President and this Vice-President about that? Nothing.

Mr. INSLEE. The fact is we should have been cracking down on Saudi Arabia a long time ago. We should have been cracking down on the Pakistani fellow that we found was purveying nuclear technology all over the world and, instead we have been involved in an action in Iraq. Now, I am very happy that eventually maybe some-

thing good will come out of the action in Iraq, but our people need answers to these questions.

Mr. ABERCROMBIE. Mr. Speaker, if the gentleman would yield, I believe that we have just a minute left. Perhaps you would like to sum up.

Mr. MEEK of Florida. Mr. Speaker, just quickly, I want to say this to the American people and I hope that it is not the case that we value oil over American blood. I am just saying that right now, and I think it is very important to make the message very simple tonight for Americans to understand.

#### 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. HASTINGS of Florida) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. STENHOLM, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. TURNER of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MOORE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. BERRY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. CASE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. TANNER, for 5 minutes, today.

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

Mr. EMANUEL, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. NORTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. CONYERS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. ALLEN, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MCDERMOTT, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. INSLEE, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.

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

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

Mr. CHOCOLA, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. BILIRAKIS, for 5 minutes, March 24.

Mr. BURNS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PAUL, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. KING of Iowa, for 5 minutes, March 18.

Mr. FEENEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. GILCHREST, for 5 minutes, today.

#### ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at midnight), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, March 18, 2004, at 10 a.m.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

7183. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Sablefish Managed Under the Individual Fishing Quota Program [I.D. 020204C] received March 16, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

7184. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Security Zone; Three Mile Island Generating Station, Susquehanna River, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania [COTP PHILADELPHIA 03-007] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received March 4, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7185. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Commercial Boulevard Bridge (SR 870), Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, mile 1059.0, Lauderdale-by-the-Sea, Broward County, FL. [CGD07-02-147] (RIN: 1625-AA09) received March 9, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7186. A letter from the FMCSA Regulatory Officer, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Transportation of Household Goods; Consumer Protection Regulations [Docket No. FMCSA-97-2979] (RIN: 2126-AA32) received March 9, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7187. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Collision Avoidance Systems; Correction [Docket No. FAA-2001-10910; Amendment Nos. 121-297, 125-41, and 129-37] (RIN: 2120-AG90) received March 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7188. A letter from the Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Modification of Class E Airspace; Ashland, OH [Airspace Docket No. 01-AGL-19] received March 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

7189. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Flightdeck Security on Large Cargo Airplanes; Correction [Docket No. FAA-2003-15653; Amendment Nos. 121-299 and 129-38] (RIN: 2120-AH96) received March 15, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

#### 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. SESSIONS: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 566. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1375) to provide regulatory relief and improve productivity for insured depository institutions,

and for other purposes (Rept. 108-439). Referred to the House Calendar.

## PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. NEUGEBAUER (for himself and Mr. MOORE):

H.R. 3980. A bill to establish a National Windstorm Impact Reduction Program; to the Committee on Science, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. BARTON of Texas (by request):

H.R. 3981. A bill to reclassify fees paid into the Nuclear Waste Fund as offsetting collections, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. CANNON:

H.R. 3982. A bill to direct the Secretary of Interior to convey certain land held in trust for the Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah to the City of Richfield, Utah, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. BECERRA (for himself, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. FROST, and Mr. MCGOVERN):

H.R. 3983. A bill to assist low income taxpayers in preparing and filing their tax returns and to protect taxpayers from unscrupulous refund anticipation loan providers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself, Mr. HENSARLING, Mr. HERGER, and Mr. HOSTETTLER):

H.R. 3984. A bill to make 1 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security discretionary spending for fiscal year 2005; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself, Mr. HENSARLING, Mr. HERGER, and Mr. HOSTETTLER):

H.R. 3985. A bill to make 2 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security discretionary spending for fiscal year 2005; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself, Mr. HENSARLING, Mr. HERGER, and Mr. HOSTETTLER):

H.R. 3986. A bill to make 5 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security discretionary spending for fiscal year 2005; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. EVANS (for himself and Mr. MORAN of Virginia):

H.R. 3987. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for the automatic acquisition of citizenship by certain individuals born in Korea, Vietnam, Laos, Kampuchea, or Thailand; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FATTAH:

H.R. 3988. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 by strengthening and expanding the Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP) in order to facilitate the transition of low-income high school students into post-secondary education; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Florida (for himself, Mr. MEEK of Florida, Mr.

WEXLER, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, Mr. OBERSTAR, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. RUSH, Mr. OWENS, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. KLECZKA, and Ms. NORTON):

H.R. 3989. A bill to require the Secretary of Treasury to direct the United States Executive Director at the Inter-American Development Bank to urge the Bank to release the loans approved for Haiti, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on International Relations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota (for himself, Mr. SHERWOOD, Mr. OBEY, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. KIND, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin, Ms. BALDWIN, and Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin):

H.R. 3990. A bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to extend contracts for national dairy market loss payments through fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. SABO:

H.R. 3991. A bill to make supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for the Federal Air Marshals program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. TANCREDO (for himself and Mr. ROHRBACHER):

H.R. 3992. A bill to amend the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 to require preparation of statements regarding the environmental impacts of legal and illegal immigration; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. JOHN:

H. Con. Res. 387. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress with respect to the current policy on bids for agricultural food tenders in Iraq; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. LATOURETTE (for himself and Ms. NORTON):

H. Con. Res. 388. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers' Memorial Service; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. LATOURETTE (for himself and Ms. NORTON):

H. Con. Res. 389. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the D.C. Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Ms. PELOSI (for herself, Mr. HOYER, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. CLYBURN, Ms. DELAUNO, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. SKELTON, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. MURTHA, and Mr. MATSUI):

H. Res. 564. A resolution relating to the liberation of the Iraqi people and the valiant service of the United States Armed Forces and Coalition forces; to the Committee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. WELLER (for himself, Mr. HYDE, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. BERETTER, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. GIBBONS, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. BONILLA, Mrs. BONO, Mr. CANNON, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. MARIO DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. GINGREY, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. NUNES, Mr.

POMBO, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, and Mr. TOOMEY):

H. Res. 565. A resolution condemning the terrorist bombing attacks in Madrid that occurred on March 11, 2004; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. CANTOR (for himself and Mr. SIMPSON):

H. Res. 567. A resolution congratulating the American Dental Association for sponsoring the second annual "Give Kids a Smile" program which emphasizes the need to improve access to dental care for children, and thanking dentists for volunteering their time to help provide needed dental care; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. FEENEY (for himself, Mr.

GOODLATTE, Mr. RYUN of Kansas, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. HOSTETTLER, Mr. PITTS, Mr. HERGER, Mr. FORBES, Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. DELAY, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mrs. MUSGRAVE, Mr. PEARCE, Mr. OTTER, Mr. AKIN, Mr. JONES of North Carolina, Mr. CRANE, Ms. HARRIS, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Ms. HART, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. KELLER, Mr. TIAHRT, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. GOODE, Mr. CULBERSON, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mrs. CUBIN, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. CAMP, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. CANTOR, Mr. CHOCOLA, Mr. KLINE, Mr. HENSARLING, Mr. SMITH of Michigan, Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida, Mr. CANNON, Mr. PENCE, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. OSE, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Mr. RENZI, and Mr. FLAKE):

H. Res. 568. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Judicial determinations regarding the meaning of the laws of the United States should not be based on judgments, laws, or pronouncements of foreign institutions unless such foreign judgments, laws, or pronouncements inform an understanding of the original meaning of the laws of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Florida (for himself and Mr. DREIER):

H. Res. 569. A resolution expressing the condolences of the House of Representatives to the victims, their families and friends, and the people of the Kingdom of Spain for the loss suffered during the terrorist attacks in Madrid on March 11, 2004; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Ms. LEE (for herself, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. RANGEL, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, and Mr. OWENS):

H. Res. 570. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that there should be established a Caribbean-American Heritage Month; to the Committee on Government Reform.

## ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 31: Mr. DEMINT.  
H.R. 97: Mr. CONYERS.  
H.R. 290: Mr. FOSSELLA.  
H.R. 300: Mr. RAMSTAD.  
H.R. 327: Mr. PLATTS.  
H.R. 504: Mr. MCDERMOTT.