

While the murders have continued, Musharraf has recognized that infiltration is a problem that requires his intervention, and he has pledged to end terrorism in Kashmir. Although Kashmiri citizens continue to endure terrorism and infiltration at the Line of Control, the situation seems to have improved to a certain degree since the cease-fire between India and Pakistan and the countries' plan on holding talks within the next several weeks.

Mr. Speaker, my point is that the issue of Pakistan transferring nuclear equipment requires as much focus and intervention on President Musharraf's part.

In contrast to the situation in Pakistan, I wanted to take a moment to highlight India's nuclear program. In reflection of what I saw earlier this month during my visit to India, I applaud the government for maintaining an open nuclear science program. The three most important ways in which India's program is a model to be emulated by Pakistan are the following: first, India's program is defensive in nature; second, it is civilian controlled; and, third, technology is shared in accordance with international nuclear transfer laws.

As a result of India's nuclear policies, India has a strong defense relationship with the United States and a strong science partnership with the United States. In fact, a recent agreement between the United States and India would call for increased exchange of scientists, particularly in the area of nuclear technology. Moreover, as part of a new space and nuclear cooperation agreement between the United States and India, the two countries will work as partners to bring stability to South Asia and the world, including efforts to end proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

Mr. Speaker, I include for the RECORD a statement that was made jointly by the President of India and by the President of the United States in that regard.

NEXT STEPS IN STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP WITH INDIA

In November 2001, Prime Minister Vajpayee and I committed our countries to a strategic partnership. Since then, our two countries have strengthened bilateral cooperation significantly in several areas. Today we announce the next steps in implementing our shared vision.

The United States and India agree to expand cooperation in three specific areas: civilian nuclear activities, civilian space programs, and high-technology trade. In addition, we agree to expand our dialogue on missile defense. Cooperation in these areas will deepen the ties of commerce and friendship between our two nations, and will increase stability in Asia and beyond.

The proposed cooperation will progress through a series of reciprocal steps that will build on each other. It will include expanded engagement on nuclear regulatory and safety issues and missile defense, ways to enhance cooperation in peaceful uses of space technology, and steps to create the appropriate environment for successful high technology commerce. In order to combat the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction,

relevant laws, regulations and procedures will be strengthened, and measures to increase bilateral and international cooperation in this area will be employed. These cooperative efforts will be undertaken in accordance with our respective national laws and international obligations.

The expanded cooperation launched today is an important milestone in transforming the relationship between the United States and India. That relationship is based increasingly on common values and common interests. We are working together to promote global peace and prosperity. We are partners in the war on terrorism and we are partners in controlling the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and the means to deliver them.

The vision of U.S.-India strategic partnership that Prime Minister Vajpayee and I share is now becoming a reality.

Mr. Speaker, let me say in conclusion, in order for there to be peace and stability in the South Asia region, it is necessary for President Musharraf to move Pakistan forward by taking responsibility for its reprehensible actions, such as transferring nuclear technology and infiltrating Kashmir. Until President Musharraf's leadership is applied and he is not only willing to accept responsibility but turn his words into actions, our safety continues to be in jeopardy.

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

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 8 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, February 3, 2004, at 12:30 p.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:

6466. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, APHIS, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Yucatan Peninsula; Addition to the List of Regions Considered Free of Exotic Newcastle Disease [Docket No. 02-036-2] received January 28, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6467. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Lactic Acid, n-Butyl Ester, (S) and Lactic Acid, Ethyl Ester, (S); Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [OPP-2003-0341; FRL-7338-4] received January 26, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6468. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Sulfuryl Fluoride; Pesticide Tolerance [OPP-2003-0373; FRL-7342-1] received January 26, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6469. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting A report on the implementation of the recommendations submitted by the Defense Task Force on Domestic Violence, pursuant to Public Law 107-248 section 8148(c) (116 Stat. 1572); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6470. A letter from the Secretary of the Air Force, Department of Defense, transmitting notification that the Evolved Expendable Launch Vehicle (EELV) Program exceeds both the 15 percent and 25 percent Nunn-McCurdy Program APUC and PAUC thresholds, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2433(e)(1); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6471. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting Approval of Captain Arthur J. Johnson to wear the insignia of rear admiral (lower half) in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

6472. A letter from the Director, Procurement & Industrial Base Policy, Department of the Army, transmitting the Department's final rule — Foreign Acquisition (RIN: 0702-AA38) received January 26, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6473. A letter from the Director, Procurement & Industrial Base Policy, Department of the Army, transmitting the Department's final rule — Solicitation Provisions and Contract Clauses (RIN: 0702-AA39) received January 26, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6474. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Free Trade Agreements-Chile and Singapore [DFARS Case 2003-D088] received January 23, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6475. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Implementation of the Equal Access to Justice Act in Agency Proceedings — received January 23, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6476. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Biological Products; Bacterial Vaccines and Toxoids; Implementation of Efficacy Review [Docket No. 1980N-0208] received January 26, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6477. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Pediculicide Drug Products for Over-the-Counter Human Use; Amendment of Final Monograph [Docket No. 2002N-0058] (RIN: 0910-AA01) received January 26, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6478. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans Revisions to South Carolina State Implementation Plan: Transportation

Conformity Rule [SC-50-200405(a); FRL-7614-7] received January 26, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6479. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Indiana [IN 144-4; FRL-7611-5] received January 26, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6480. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; New York State Implementation Plan Revisions; 1-Hour Ozone Control Programs [Region 2 Docket No. NY65-270, FRL-7610-7] received January 26, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6481. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Protection of Stratospheric Ozone: Allocation of Essential Use Allowances for Calendar Year 2004 [FRL-7615-3] (RIN: 2060-AM01) received January 26, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6482. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting copies of international agreements, other than treaties, entered into by the United States, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

6483. A letter from the Secretary, Department of State, transmitting convening of a Accountability Review Board to examine the October 15, 2003 attack on a U.S. Embassy Tel Aviv motorcade in Gaza, which resulted in the wounding of one and deaths of three DynCorp personnel, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 4834(d)(1); to the Committee on International Relations.

6484. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Commerce, transmitting pursuant to Section 6 of the Export Administration Act of 1979, as amended, the Department's 2004 Report on Foreign Policy-Based Export Controls, as prepared by the Department's Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS); to the Committee on International Relations.

6485. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Lifting of U.N. Sanctions Against UNITA [Docket No. 031219324-3324-01] (RIN: 0694-AC86) received January 26, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on International Relations.

6486. A letter from the Deputy Secretary, Department of Commerce, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Inspector General for the period April 1, 2003 through September 30, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6487. A letter from the President, African Development Foundation, transmitting a letter fulfilling the annual requirements contained in the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6488. A letter from the Chairman, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting in accordance with the Accountability of Tax Dollars Act, the Commission's Audited Financial Statements for FY 2003; to the Committee on Government Reform.

6489. A letter from the Director, Office of White House Liaison, Department of Commerce, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Government Reform.

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6496. A letter from the Acting Director of Communications and Legislative Affairs, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting the Commission's annual report on the Government in the Sunshine Act for Calendar Year 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(j); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6497. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting a copy of the annual report in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act during the calendar year 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(j); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6498. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission, transmitting the report in compliance with the Federal Managers Financial Integrity Act, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6499. A letter from the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, transmitting the Office's Performance and Accountability Report for FY 2003, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 719; to the Committee on Government Reform.

6500. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's final rule — Senior Executive Service Pay and Performance Awards (RIN: 3206-AK32) received January 26, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

6501. A letter from the Chair, Federal Election Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Travel on Behalf of Candidates and Political Committees [Notice 2003-24] received December 10, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on House Administration.

6502. A letter from the Office of Independent Counsel, transmitting the 2003 annual report for the Office of Independent Counsel-Barrett, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 595(a)(2); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6503. A letter from the Deputy Under Secretary for Intellectual Property and Deputy Director of the Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — January 2004 Revision of Patent Cooperation Treaty Application Procedure [Docket No. 2003-P-021] (RIN: 0651-AB61) received October 22, 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6504. A letter from the Deputy Assoc. General Counsel for Regulations, Department of

Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Implementation of the United States Visitor and Immigration Status Indicator Technology Program ("US-VISIT"); Biometric Requirements (RIN: 1651-AA54) received January 8, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6505. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Civil Monetary Penalties — Adjustments for Inflation [USCG-2003-15486] (RIN: 1625-AA73) received December 29, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6506. A letter from the Rules Administrator, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule — Comments on UNICOR Business Operations: Clarification of Addresses [BOP-1115-I] (RIN: 1120-AB15) received January 26, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6507. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Water Quality Standards for Puerto Rico [FRL-7613-2] received January 26, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6508. A letter from the Assistant Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — NASA Grant and Cooperative Agreement Handbook — Central Contractor Registration (RIN: 2700-AC95) received January 23, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

6509. A letter from the Assistant Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — NASA Grant and Cooperative Agreement Handbook — Investigative Requirements (RIN: 2700-AC74) received January 23, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

6510. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Special Medical Advisory Group's Annual Report to Congress for FY 2003, pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 4112(a); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

6511. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Br., Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Exemption of returns and claims for refund, credit, or abatement; determination of correct tax liability (Rev. Proc. 2004-2) received December 17, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6512. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Br., Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Rulings and determination letters (Rev. Proc. 2004-1) received January 8, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6513. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Br., Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Electronic Delivery of Form 1099 and Form 5498 Payee Statements [Notice 2004-10] received January 28, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6514. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Br., Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Prohibited allocation of securities in an S corporation. (Rev. Rul. 2004-4) received January 28, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6515. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Br., Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Correction of User Fee in Appendix A of Rev. Proc. 2004-1 — received January 28, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6516. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Br., Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Low-Income Housing Credit Allocation Certification; Electronic Filing [TD 9112] (RIN: 1545-BC90) received January 28, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6517. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Determination of Issue Price in the Case of Certain Debt Instruments Issued for Property (Rev. Rul. 2004-9) received January 28, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6518. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Br., Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Administrative, Procedural, and Miscellaneous [Notice 2004-9] received January 28, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6519. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Last-in, first-out inventories. (Rev. Rul. 2004-7) received January 28, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6520. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Sidney L. Olsen and Miriam K. Olsen v. Commissioner 48 T.C. 855, supplemented, 49 T.C. 84(1967), acq. 1968-2 C.B.2 [Docket Numbers: 1713-65, 1714-65, 1715-65, 1716-65, 3328-65] received January 28, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6521. A letter from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Br., Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Adjusted Gross Income Defined (Rev. Rul. 2004-1) received January 28, 2004, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6522. A letter from the SSA Regulations Officer, Social Security Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Federal Old-Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance and Supplemental Security Income for the Aged, Blind, and Disabled; Administrative Review Process; Video Teleconferencing Appeared Before Adminis-

trative Law Judges of the Social Security Administration (RIN: 0960-AE97) received December 10, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6523. A letter from the Director, Congressional Budget Office, transmitting a report on "Unauthorized Appropriations and Expiring Authorizations," pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 602(f)(3); jointly to the Committees on the Budget and Appropriations.

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. SENSENBRENNER: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 1417. A bill to amend title 17, United States Code, to replace copyright arbitration royalty panels with a Copyright Royalty Judge, and for other purposes; with amendments (Rept. 108-408). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

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

By Ms. BORDALLO (for herself, Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. ACEVEDO-VILA, and Mrs. CHRISTENSEN):

H.R. 3750. A bill to provide for the correct treatment of territories and possessions in the health care service supports under the Communications Act of 1934; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mrs. JO ANN DAVIS of Virginia:

H.R. 3751. A bill to require that the Office of Personnel Management study and present options under which dental and vision benefits could be made available to Federal employees and retirees and other appropriate classes of individuals; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. PAYNE:

H. Res. 509. A resolution honoring and recognizing the achievements of Thurgood Marshall and encouraging Congress to award him the Congressional Gold Medal; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 1043: Mr. COOPER.

H.R. 1117: Mr. CHOCOLA.

H.R. 1563: Mr. WHITFIELD and Mr. TOWNS.

H.R. 3066: Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. ROGERS of Michigan, Mr. PENCE, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. PAUL, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, and Mrs. MYRICK.

H.R. 3171: Mr. JACKSON of Illinois.

H.R. 3420: Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. WAXMAN, and Mr. KILDEE.

H.R. 3573: Mr. UDALL of Colorado and Mr. COX.

H.R. 3728: Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. OTTER, Mr. CALVERT, and Mr. THOMPSON of California.

H. Con. Res. 86: Mr. CUMMINGS.

H. Con. Res. 310: Mr. HALL.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 3 of rule XII, petitions and papers were laid on the clerk's desk and referred as follows:

53. The SPEAKER presented a petition of Wisconsin Commercial Ports Association, relative to Resolution #02-03 authorizing funding for modernization of lock and dam infrastructure on upper Mississippi and Illinois rivers' inland waterways transportation system, as also approved by the Brown County Harbor Commission and the Brown County Board of Supervisors; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

54. Also, a petition of the Mayor and Council of Mayfield Village, Ohio, relative to resolution 2003-14 urging the President and Congress of the United States to take enact measures to respond to the adoption of the Breast Cancer Patient Protection Act of 2003 to amend the Public Health Service Act and Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to require health plans to provide coverage for a minimum hospital stay for mastectomies and lymph node dissections performed for the treatment of breast cancer; jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Education and the Workforce.