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NOTICES OF HEARINGS/MEETINGS

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I announce that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry will conduct a hearing on January 27, 2004, in SD-106, at 9:30 a.m. The purpose of this hearing will be to examine the current situation regarding the discovery of a case of bovine spongiform encephalopathy in a dairy cow in Washington State as it relates to food safety, livestock marketing, and international trade.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. BOND. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, January 21, 2003, at 9 a.m., to hold a hearing on North Korea.

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

AUTHORIZING LEGAL REPRESENTATION

Mr. MCCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 286 which was submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 286) to authorize legal representation in the United States of America v. Parviz Karim-Panahi.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. FRIST. Madam President, this resolution concerns representation by

the Senate legal counsel of twenty-two members and three employees of the Committee on Armed Services and the chairman and ranking member and two employees of the Committee on Foreign Relations, who have been subpoenaed to provide testimony and produce documents in a criminal trial by a defendant charged with disrupting proceedings at a hearing of the Senate Committee on Armed Services in September 2003. These subpoenas, which were issued by the defendant on his own behalf, are not well taken. As the testimony and documents sought by these subpoenas are either irrelevant or cumulative of the testimony and evidence that will be offered at trial from other sources, evidence from these Senators and Senate employees is unnecessary. Moreover, the testimony and documents sought by the subpoenas as privileged under the Speech or Debate Clause of the Constitution.

This resolution would authorize the Senate Legal Counsel to represent the Senators and staff who have been subpoenaed by the defendant, as well as any other Members, officers, or employees who may be subpoenaed, in order to quash the subpoenas and protect the privileges of the Senate.

Mr. MCCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to this matter be printed in the RECORD.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 286) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 286

Whereas, in the case of United States of America v. Parviz Karim-Panahi, Crim. No. M-8374-03, pending in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, the defendant has attempted to serve subpoenas for testimony and documents upon Senators Daniel K. Akaka, Wayne Allard, Evan Bayh, Joseph R. Biden, Robert C. Byrd, Hillary Rodham Clinton, Susan M. Collins, Mark Dayton, Elizabeth Dole, John Ensign, Lindsey O. Graham, James M. Inhofe, Edward M. Kennedy, Carl Levin, Richard G. Lugar, John McCain, Bill Nelson, E. Benjamin Nelson, Mark Pryor, Jack Reed, Pat Roberts, Jeff Sessions, James M. Talent, and John W. Warner, and on Senate employees Judith A. Ansley, Staff Director of the Committee on Armed Services, Scott W. Stucky, General Counsel to the Committee on Armed Services, June M. Borawski, Printing and Document Clerk of the Committee on Armed Services, Paul F. Clayman, Chief Counsel of the Committee on Foreign Relations, and Susan Oursler, Chief Clerk of the Committee on Foreign Relations; and,

Whereas, pursuant to sections 703(a) and 704(a)(2) of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978, 2 U.S.C. §§ 288b(a) and 288c(a)(2), the Senate may direct its counsel to represent Members, officers, and employees of the Senate with respect to any subpoena, order, or request for testimony or documents relating to their official responsibilities: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate Legal Counsel is authorized to represent the above-listed Senators and Senate employees who are the subject of subpoenas and any other Member, officer, or employee who may be subpoenaed in this case.

COMMENDING SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY AND A&M COLLEGE OF BATON ROUGE JAGUARS

Mr. MCCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 287 introduced earlier today by Senators LANDRIEU and BREAU.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 287) commending the Southern University and A&M College of Baton Rouge Jaguars for being the Sheridan Broadcasting National Black College Champions, the American Sports Wire National Black College Champions, and the MBC/BCSP National Black College Champions.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. MCCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution and preamble be agreed to en bloc, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate, and that any statements relating to the resolution be printed in the RECORD.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 287) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 287

Whereas the Jaguars, the football team of the Southern University and A&M College of Baton Rouge, finished the 2003 season with 12 wins and was voted number 1 in the final Sheridan Broadcasting National Black College Football Poll for the second time under Head Coach Pete Richardson;

Whereas the Jaguars won the Southwestern Athletic Conference Championship, defeating Alabama State by a score of 20-9 at Legion Field in Birmingham, Alabama on December 13, 2003;

Whereas the Jaguars won the Southwestern Athletic Conference Western Division Championship, defeating Grambling State University by a score of 44-41 in the 30th Annual Bayou Classic in the Louisiana Superdome on November 29, 2003;

Whereas 4 Jaguar players were selected to the Sheridan Broadcasting National Black College All-American Team: Quincy Richard, Arnold Sims, Miniya Smith, and Lenny Williams;

Whereas Jaguar quarterback Quincy Richard was named the Sheridan Broadcasting National / Doug Williams Offensive Player of the Year and finished with 3,270 yards passing and 31 touchdowns;

Whereas the Jaguar Head Coach Pete Richardson was named Sheridan Broadcasting National Sports Coach of the Year; and

Whereas the Jaguars accounted for 5,486 total yards on offense and 63 touchdowns: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) commends the Jaguars for winning the Sheridan Broadcasting National Black College Championship;

(2) recognizes the achievements of all of the players, coaches, and support staff who were instrumental in helping the Jaguars during the 2003 season and invites them to the United States Capitol Building to be honored; and

(3) directs the Secretary of the Senate to make available enrolled copies of this resolution to the Southern University and A&M College of Baton Rouge for appropriate display and to transmit an enrolled copy of the resolution to each coach and member of the 2003 Jaguars.

Mr. REID. Madam President, I wanted to say, while my counterpart is on the floor, that we in the minority have appreciated the way Senators McCONNELL and FRIST have handled legislation that has been on the floor. We don't agree as to what comes to the floor a lot of times, but the majority, with rare exception, has given us the opportunity, when a matter is brought up, to talk about it, offer amendments, and then give us reasonable time to determine if in fact cloture needs to be invoked on a bill. We appreciate that.

In the rush of things this year, we are going to go out of session on July 26 until the fall. We are going to be in a position of wanting to do things more quickly than we would ordinarily. I hope the majority will stick with what happened last year. I think it worked out well. I think our people felt that we were treated fairly, with some exceptions. There is going to be a tendency to push things more quickly this year and it will make things go even more slowly. In short, we have a lot of work to do. By following the Senate rules, I think we will get more done than not following the rules.

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, let me say to the assistant Democratic leader that I thank him for his kind observations. I think he is absolutely correct. We have a very limited number of days this year upon which to accomplish anything. It is going to require a high level of bipartisan cooperation to advance measures that are essential to the country, which we all, for the most part, agree on—not to mention items that may be more contentious. I thank my friend.

COMMENDING THE LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL TEAM

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 288, a resolution submitted earlier today by Senator BREAUX.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will state the resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 288) commending the Louisiana State University Tigers football team for winning the 2003 Bowl Championship Series national championship game.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate, and that any statements relating to the matter be printed in the RECORD.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 288) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 288

Whereas the Louisiana State University Tigers football team won the 2003 Bowl Championship Series national championship game, defeating Oklahoma University by a score of 21 to 14 in the Nokia Sugar Bowl at the Louisiana Superdome in New Orleans, Louisiana on January 4, 2004;

Whereas the Louisiana State University football team won the Southeastern Conference Championship, defeating the University of Georgia by a score of 34 to 13 in the Southeastern Conference championship game at the Georgia Dome in Atlanta, Georgia on December 6, 2003;

Whereas the Louisiana State University football team won 13 games during the 2003 season, more games than in any other season in school history;

Whereas the Louisiana State University football team won 5 games against nationally ranked opponents;

Whereas the Louisiana State University football team set 8 school records;

Whereas the Louisiana State University football team led the Nation in total defense, allowing only 252 yards per game, and scoring defense, allowing only 1 team to score more than 20 points in any game during the season;

Whereas Louisiana State University football head coach Nick Saban was named the National Coach of the Year by the Associated Press and the Football Writers Association of America;

Whereas 4 players—Chad Lavalais, Corey Webster, Skyler Green, and Stephen Peterman—were named first-team All-Americans;

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Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, for those of us who watched the game,

LSU did indeed have an outstanding performance on that day. I know they are somewhat frustrated because they had to share the national title with USC, but it was a great day for the LSU Tigers by any count.

CONGRATULATING THE EAST BOYNTON BEACH, FLORIDA, LITTLE LEAGUE TEAM AS THE 2003 U.S. LITTLE LEAGUE CHAMPIONS

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Judiciary Committee be discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 273, and that the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will state the concurrent resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 273) recognizing and congratulating the East Boynton Beach, Florida, Little League team as the 2003 United States Little League Champions.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the concurrent resolution.

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate, and that any statements relating to the measure be printed in the RECORD.

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

The resolution (H. Con. Res. 273) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

MEASURE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR—S. 2006

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I understand there is a bill at the desk that is due for its second reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The bill will be read for the second time.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 2006) to extend and expand the Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 2002, and for other purposes.

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I object to further proceedings on the measure at this time.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard. The bill will be placed on the calendar.

REMOVAL OF INJUNCTION OF SECRECY—TREATY DOCUMENT NO. 108-15

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, as in executive session, I ask unanimous consent that the injunction of secrecy be removed from the following treaty transmitted to the Senate on January 21, 2004, by the President: Additional Protocol Amending Investment Treaty with Bulgaria, Treaty