

(1) European governments should reject Airbus' pending application for launch aid for the A350 and any future applications for launch aid;

(2) the European Union, acting for itself and on behalf of its Member States, should renew its commitment to the terms agreed to on January 11, 2005;

(3) the United States Trade Representative should request the formation of a World Trade Organization dispute resolution panel at the earliest possible opportunity if there is no immediate agreement to eliminate launch aid for the A350 and all future models and no concrete progress toward a comprehensive bilateral agreement covering all government supports in the large aircraft sector; and

(4) the President should take any additional action the President considers appropriate to protect the interests of the United States in fair competition in the large commercial aircraft market.

**AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET**

**COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS**

Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 7, 2005, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing on "Regulatory Reform of the Government-Sponsored Enterprises."

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

**COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY**

Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a markup on Thursday, April 7, 2005 at 9:30 a.m., in Senate Dirksen Office Building Room 226.

*Agenda*

I. Nominations: Thomas B. Griffith, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit; Terrence W. Boyle II, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit; Priscella R. Owen, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit; Robert J. Conrad, Jr., to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of North Carolina; and James C. Dever III, to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of North Carolina.

II. Bills: Asbestos; S. 378, Reducing Crime and Terrorism at America's Seaports Act of 2005, Biden, Specter, Feinstein, Kyl, Cornyn; S. 119, Unaccompanied Alien Child Protection Act of 2005, Feinstein, Schumer, Durbin, DeWine, Feingold, Kennedy, Brownback, Specter; and S. 629, Railroad Carriers and Mass Transportation Act of 2005, Sessions, Kyl.

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

**COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS**

Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Veterans' Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, April 7, 2005, for a hearing to consider the nomination of Mr. Jonathan B. Perlin to be Under

Secretary for Health, Department of Veterans' Affairs. The hearing will take place in room 418 of the Russell Senate Office Building at 10 a.m.

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

**SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE**

Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 7, 2005 at 2:30 p.m., to hold a closed hearing.

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

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON STRATEGIC FORCES**

Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Strategic Forces be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on April 7, 2005, at 2:30 p.m., in open session to receive testimony on ballistic missile defense programs in review of the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2006.

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

**MEASURE HELD AT DESK—S. CON. RES. 25**

Mr. McCONNELL. I send a resolution to the desk and ask unanimous consent it be held at the desk.

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

**UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—EXECUTIVE CALENDAR**

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent at 5 p.m. on Monday, April 11, the Senate proceed to executive session for consideration of Calendar 38, the nomination of Paul A. Crotty, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York; provided further that there be 30 minutes for debate equally divided between the chairman and the ranking member or designees, and that at the expiration or yielding back of time the Senate proceed to a vote on the confirmation of the nomination, with no intervening action or debate; provided further that following the vote, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action and the Senate then resume legislative session.

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

**UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—S. 295**

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the majority leader, after consultation with the Democratic leader, shall, no later than July 27, call up S. 295; that if the bill has not been reported by then by the Finance Committee, it be discharged at that time and that the Senate shall consider it under the following time limitation: that there be 2 hours for debate equally divided between the chairman of the Finance Committee and the

Democratic leader or his designee; that no amendments or motions be in order, including committee amendments; that after the use or yielding back of time the bill be read the third time and the Senate proceed to vote on the passage of the bill with no intervening action or debate; provided further that the bill become the pending business when the Senate resumes legislative session after July 26 under the terms and conditions if it has not been considered prior to that time.

Mr. REID. Reserving the right to object, and I will not object, I will say that one of the things we are also working on, and I am willing to go forward without this stage, we were moving along with the colloquy of Senator STABENOW and Senator LINDSEY GRAHAM—I am quite certain that was the cosponsor of the amendment—an amendment dealing with international trade. I spoke to Senator GRASSLEY. Senator GRASSLEY indicated he would be willing to enter into a colloquy with her. That was being prepared when the problem arose with the New York Senators and Senator DODD. As a result of that, the colloquy was never finalized—at least brought to the floor.

I hope when we return to that bill, whenever that might be, we can complete that colloquy because, in fact, what Senator GRASSLEY said is that if the amendment were not filed at this time he would be happy to take a look at it. He has another amendment coming and he basically said he agreed with the content of her amendment, but he didn't agree it should be brought up on this bill. He felt his Finance Committee has jurisdiction.

I want that spread on the record. This does not call for anyone agreeing or disagreeing with what I said, just in the future I hope we can work that out.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, prior to the ruling, the proponents of the legislation have also agreed they would withhold offering amendments in committee or on the floor on the subject matter for the duration of this session of Congress as part of this understanding, as well.

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

**ORDERS FOR MONDAY, APRIL 11, 2005**

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, the Senate stand in adjournment until 2 p.m. on Monday, April 11. I further ask unanimous consent that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved, and the Senate then begin a period of morning business with Senators permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes each; provided that at 3 p.m. the Senate proceed to the consideration of H.R. 1268, the Iraq-Afghanistan supplemental appropriations bill, as provided under the previous order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

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PROGRAM

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, on Monday, the Senate will begin consideration of the Iraq-Afghanistan supplemental. The chairman and ranking member will be here, and we will begin the amending process Monday afternoon. As I announced earlier today, the next rollcall vote will occur at 5:30 Monday afternoon on a district judge, the one we announced a few moments ago. Other votes are possible around

that 5:30 time in relation to the supplemental bill.

I say to all of our colleagues, this will be a busy week. This is a big, important piece of legislation. We hope to finish it next week. But in any event, whether we finish it then or not, we are going to have a busy week, with lots of votes throughout the entire week, including the likelihood of night sessions.

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ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY,  
APRIL 11, 2005, AT 2 P.M.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come be-

fore the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 2:16 p.m., adjourned until Monday, April 11, 2005, at 2 p.m.

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NOMINATIONS

Executive nomination received by the Senate April 7, 2005:

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE  
GORDON ENGLAND, OF TEXAS, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, VICE PAUL D. WOLFOWITZ.