

human lives, which are increasing with time. However, here in Iraq, time is now beginning to be of service to the American forces and harmful to the resistance." The terrorists call themselves resisters.

"For the following reasons:

Number one, "By allowing the American forces to form the forces of the National Guard, to reinforce them and enable them to undertake military operations against the resistance." The resistance being the terrorists, which is just what the gentleman from Connecticut (Mr. SHAYS) was saying earlier. We have been there. They are training them. Some opponents are saying we have not been able to train people, that they cannot protect themselves. Well, the terrorists are saying in this document that our forces have been able to form them and train them and reinforce them and enable them to undertake military operations.

Mr. SHAYS. Will the gentleman yield on that point?

Mr. GOHMERT. I certainly will yield.

Mr. SHAYS. What is important in your dialogue is the terrorists. And there was this argument: Well, the terrorists are not in Iraq. I am not going to argue whether they were there before we went in, but no one can argue that they are not there now. In fact, the prince of the terrorists, al Zarqawi, was killed. He was killed operating and doing his handiwork in Iraq.

Mr. GOHMERT. Reclaiming the time, it is such a great point. He was killed.

I will tell you, I do not know if the gentleman has been hearing some of the ridiculous reports. One thing we have seen from this administration is they cannot keep secrets too well. The President went to Iraq without but a handful of people knowing. But if they try to keep a secret very long, somebody leaks from all over the place. And so there were some reports, and I couldn't help but shake my head, that said, We think they had Zarqawi on ice in a freezer somewhere and they just brought him out. And some have said he was beaten to death, that a bomb did not do that. Do you want to know how absurd that is? Can you imagine this administration having Zarqawi in a freezer somewhere for weeks and somebody not leaking that? I am sorry. That could not happen. That would have been leaked by somebody that they have got Zarqawi on ice.

Mr. SHAYS. I do not know, if that is the kind dialogue that has been happened in Texas. Most of my folks have recognized that we got him and it was due to good intelligence. But if I could, you are talking about this administration. Let me just talk briefly about what a former administration said, in other words, what Bill Clinton said, according to John A. Torres from the Florida Today on June 13 in a meeting he had on the 12th. He wrote, "Former President Bill Clinton told Florida Democrats on Monday that Iraq's fledgling government would falter if the United States were to withdraw its

troops. He also said more terrorists could emerge from that region without an American military presence."

So he is arguing that without a presence it would be worse. Then he said, and this is a quote: "The representative government there in Iraq is a hopeful sign," Clinton said at a fundraising reception for the Florida Democratic Party at the Orlando Marriott downtown. "But we need to stay there long enough for the politics to get worked out," he said. "If we withdrew tomorrow, that government couldn't survive."

"Clinton said he didn't agree with the original decision to invade Iraq before finishing military operations in Afghanistan. However he said the focus now needs to be on stabilizing Iraq and he warned that occupying Iraq for too long would backfire." Too long it would backfire, but he is very clear: We cannot leave until we stabilize Iraq.

Mr. GOHMERT. Those are important words from our former President Clinton, who had said himself numerous times that they did have weapons of mass destruction in Iraq, that Saddam did, and I am glad to hear that he is recognizing that an arbitrary withdrawal would be devastating.

There are numerous other things here in this document. If I could just touch on a couple very briefly as our time comes to a conclusion. He goes through about how the picture is bleak, and he goes on to say: "Based on the above points," and there were seven of them, "it became necessary that these matters should be treated one by one." And he has a strategy. The strategy is to use the media for spreading an effective and creative image of the resistance, or otherwise the terrorists. Another point was to create division and strife between America and other countries and among the elements disagreeing with it. And then after seven more points, he says: "In general and despite the current bleak situation, we think that the best suggestions in order to get out of this crisis," he calls it a crisis, "is to entangle the American forces into another war . . ."

Mr. SHAYS. This is al Qaeda that is saying that; correct?

Mr. GOHMERT. This would be al Qaeda that is saying this. They realize that they are in a crisis, they are big trouble, and that we are prevailing and that the situation looks bleak.

We believe the United States will prevail in the global war on terror and the noble struggle to protect freedom from terrorist adversaries will be all worthwhile.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mrs. MILLER of Michigan (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for June 12, 13 and 14 on account of a family emergency.

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 Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. SCHIFF, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. BROWN of Ohio, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. ROSS, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. MCDERMOTT, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. STUPAK, for 5 minutes, today.
Mrs. JONES of Ohio, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. HINCHEY, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. ALLEN, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. CUMMINGS, for 5 minutes, today.
Ms. BALDWIN, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, for 5 minutes, today.

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

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

Mr. POE, for 5 minutes, June 22.
Mr. DUNCAN, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. BISHOP of Utah, for 5 minutes, June 20.
Mrs. KELLY, for 5 minutes, today.
(The following Members (at their own request) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)
Mr. FORTENBERRY, for 5 minutes, today.
Mr. SHAYS, for 5 minutes, today.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Mrs. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 4939. An act making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at midnight), the House adjourned until today, Friday, June 16, 2006, at 9 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

8088. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final

rule — Importation of Small Lots of Seed Without Phytosanitary Certificates [Docket No. 02-119-2] (RIN: 0579-AB78) received April 21, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8089. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Standards for Privately Owned Quarantine Facilities for Ruminants [Docket No. 00-022-2] received June 2, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8090. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Importation of Baby Corn and Baby Carrots From Zambia [Docket No. 05-059-2] received June 2, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8091. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Emerald Ash Borer; Quarantined Areas; Indiana, Michigan, and Ohio [Docket No. APHIS-2006-0046] received June 2, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8092. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Tuberculosis in Captive Cervids; Extend Interval for Conducting Reaccreditation Test [Docket No. 04-094-2] received May 1, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8093. A letter from the Administrator, AMS, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Apricots Grown in Designated Counties in Washington; Temporary Suspension of Container Regulations [Docket No. FV06-922-1 IFR] received April 21, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8094. A letter from the Administrator, AMS, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Sweet Cherries Grown in Designated Counties in Washington; Removal of Container Regulations [Docket No. FV06-923-1 IFR] received May 1, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8095. A letter from the Administrator, AMS, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Nectarines and Peaches Grown in California; Revision of Handling Requirements for Fresh Nectarines and Peaches [Docket No. FV06-916/917-1 IFR] received May 1, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8096. A letter from the Administrator, AMS, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Eligibility Requirements for USDA Graded Shell Eggs [Docket No. PY-98-006] (RIN: 0581-AC50) received May 1, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8097. A letter from the Administrator, AMS, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Oranges, Grapefruit, Tangerines, and Tangelos Grown in Florida; Modifying Procedures and Establishing Regulations to Limit Shipments of Small Sizes of Red Seedless Grapefruit [Docket No. FV05-905-2 FIR] received April 21, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8098. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Terbacil; Pesticide Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2005-0215; FRL-8057-9] received May 24, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8099. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Pesticides; Minimal Risk Tolerance Exemptions [EPA-HQ-OPP-2005-0487; FRL-8062-3] received May 24, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8100. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Michigan [EPA-R05-OAR-2004-MI-0001; FRL-8167-2] received May 24, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8101. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New Mexico; Albuquerque/Bernalillo County [R06-OAR-2005-NM-0003; FRL-8175-6] received May 24, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8102. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — National Priorities List for Uncontrolled Hazardous Waste Sites [EPA-HQ-SFUND-2006-0261, EPA-HQ-SFUND-2006-0263, EPA-HQ-SFUND-2006-0264, EPA-HQ-SFUND-2006-0265, EPA-HQ-SFUND-2006-0266, EPA-HQ-SFUND-2006-0267; FRL-8159-5] received April 21, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8103. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants; Delegation of Authority of Louisiana [EPA-R06-OAR-2005-LA-0004; FRL-8159-1] received April 21, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8104. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of intent to obligate funds for purposes of Nonproliferation and Disarmament Fund (NDF) activities; to the Committee on International Relations.

8105. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a supplemental consolidated report, consistent with the War Powers Resolution, to keep Congress informed about the deployments of U.S. combat-equipped armed forces in support of the global war on terrorism, Kosovo, and Bosnia and Herzegovina, pursuant to Public Law 93-148; (H. Doc. No. 109-114); to the Committee on International Relations and ordered to be printed.

8106. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's final rule — Department of State Acquisition Regulation (RIN: 1400-AB90) received June 9, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

8107. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the semiannual report on the activities of the Inspector General and the Management Response for the period of October 1, 2005 to March 31, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform.

8108. A letter from the Staff Director, United States Sentencing Commission, transmitting a copy of the 2004 Annual Report and Sourcebook of Federal Sentencing Statistics, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 994(w)(3); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

8109. A letter from the Assistant Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmit-

ting the Administration's final rule — NASA Grant and Cooperative Agreement Handbook — Patent Rights and Rights in Data, CSC Programs (RIN: 2700-AD24) received May 18, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

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. BOEHLERT: Committee on Science. H.R. 5136. A bill to establish a National Integrated Drought Information System within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to improve drought monitoring and forecasting capabilities; with an amendment (Rept. 109-503). 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 Mr. POMBO:

H.R. 5622. A bill to reauthorize the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. CAPUANO:

H.R. 5623. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to prohibit the conversion of leadership PAC funds to personal use; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. FOSSELLA (for himself, Mr.

CONYERS, Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. HOLT, Mr. ISSA, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. McNULTY, Mrs. MUSGRAVE, Mr. OWENS, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. ROGERS of Michigan, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, and Mr. WYNN):

H.R. 5624. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish an Office of Men's Health; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mrs. MALONEY:

H.R. 5625. A bill to amend the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 to expand the scope of the Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committees on Government Reform, and House Administration, 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. MARCHANT (for himself, Mr.

BARTON of Texas, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. CARTER, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. CULBERSON, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. GONZALEZ, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mr. HALL, Mr. HENSARLING, Mr. HINOJOSA, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. MCCAUL of Texas, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. PAUL, Mr. POE, Mr. REYES, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SMITH of Texas, and Mr. THORNBERRY):