

McCaul (TX)	Peterson (MN)	Shuster
McCollum (MN)	Peterson (PA)	Simmons
McCotter	Pickering	Skelton
McCrery	Pitts	Slaughter
McDermott	Platts	Smith (NJ)
McGovern	Poe	Smith (WA)
McHenry	Pombo	Snyder
McHugh	Pomeroy	Soder
McIntyre	Porter	Souder
McKeon	Price (NC)	Spratt
McKinney	Pryce (OH)	Stearns
McMorris	Rahall	Stupak
McNulty	Ramstad	Sullivan
Meehan	Rehberg	Sweeney
Meek (FL)	Reichert	Tanner
Meeks (NY)	Renzi	Tauscher
Melancon	Reynolds	Taylor (MS)
Mica	Rogers (AL)	Taylor (NC)
Michaud	Rogers (MI)	Terry
Miller (FL)	Rohrabacher	Thompson (MS)
Miller (MI)	Ross	Thornberry
Miller, Gary	Royce	Tiberi
Moore (KS)	Ruppersberger	Tierney
Moore (WI)	Ryan (OH)	Towns
Moran (KS)	Ryan (WI)	Udall (CO)
Murphy	Ryun (KS)	Udall (NM)
Murtha	Sabo	Upton
Musgrave	Salazar	Van Hollen
Nadler	Sanchez, Loretta	Visclosky
Neal (MA)	Sanders	Walden (OR)
Neugebauer	Saxton	Walsh
Ney	Schiff	Wamp
Northup	Schmidt	Watson
Norwood	Schwartz (PA)	Weiner
Nunes	Schwarz (MI)	Weldon (PA)
Nussle	Scott (VA)	Weller
Oberstar	Sensenbrenner	Westmoreland
Obey	Sessions	Wilson (NM)
Osborne	Shadeeg	Wilson (SC)
Otter	Shaw	Wu
Oxley	Shays	Young (FL)
Pallone	Shimkus	

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Ackerman	Granger	Pearce
Alexander	Grijalva	Pelosi
Andrews	Gutierrez	Pence
Bachus	Hastings (FL)	Petri
Baker	Hastings (WA)	Price (GA)
Barrett (SC)	Hayes	Putnam
Bartlett (MD)	Hefley	Rangel
Becerra	Hinojosa	Regula
Berman	Honda	Reyes
Biggert	Hoyer	Rogers (KY)
Blackburn	Inglis (SC)	Ros-Lehtinen
Blumenauer	Jackson (IL)	Rothman
Bonilla	Jackson-Lee	Roybal-Allard
Bono	(TX)	Rush
Boyd	Jefferson	Sánchez, Linda
Burgess	Johnson, E. B.	T.
Campbell (CA)	Jones (OH)	Schakowsky
Capuano	Kaptur	Scott (GA)
Carter	Kennedy (RI)	Serrano
Chocola	Knollenberg	Sherman
Clay	Kolbe	Sherwood
Cleaver	Kucinich	Simpson
Conyers	Lantos	Smith (TX)
Cramer	Lee	Solis
Crowley	Lewis (CA)	Stark
Culberson	Lewis (GA)	Tancredo
Davis (IL)	Linder	Thomas
Davis, Tom	Mack	Thompson (CA)
Diaz-Balart, L.	Manzullo	Tiahrt
Dicks	Marchant	Turner
Dingell	Matsui	Velázquez
Drake	Millender	Wasserman
Dreier	McDonald	Schultz
Ehlers	Miller (NC)	Waters
Emanuel	Miller, George	Watt
Eshoo	Mollohan	Waxman
Filner	Moran (VA)	Weldon (FL)
Flake	Myrick	Wexler
Frank (MA)	Napolitano	Wicker
Franks (AZ)	Oliver	Wolf
Frelinghuysen	Owens	Woolsey
Garrett (NJ)	Pascrell	Wynn
Gilchrest	Pastor	Young (AK)
Gonzalez	Paul	
Goode	Payne	

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Boehner	Evans	Ortiz
Brady (PA)	Herger	Radanovich
Cannon	Hyde	Strickland
Carson	Johnson, Sam	Whitfield

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIRMAN
The CHAIRMAN (during the vote).
Members are advised there is 1 minute
remaining in this vote.

□ 2229

Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California, Messrs. RAHALL, MARKEY, MEEHAN and NEAL of Massachusetts changed their vote from “no” to “aye.”

So the amendment was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

□ 2230

Mr. WOLF. Mr. Chairman, I move that the committee do now rise.

The motion was agreed to.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MCCAUL of Texas) having assumed the chair, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill (H.R. 5672) making appropriations for Science, the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, and for other purposes, had come to no resolution thereon.

COLLOQUY RE CRAB PROCESSOR QUOTA SHARES

(Mr. LOBIONDO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LOBIONDO. Mr. Speaker, I rise to enter into a colloquy with the chairman of the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Chairman YOUNG.

Is it the intent of the conference on H.R. 889, the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2006, that when the National Marine Fisheries Service issues new processor quota shares under section 417, the regional designation for the shares for both the king and c. opilio crab fisheries shall reflect the processing history of the Blue Dutch during the years leading up to the North Pacific Council's adoption of the crab plan?

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Mr. Chairman, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. LOBIONDO. I yield to the gentleman from Alaska.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Yes, it is the intent of the conferees that both the new king crab processor quota shares and the new c.opilio processor quota shares shall receive a designation based on the location in which crab was historically processed.

Mr. LOBIONDO. I thank the gentleman.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 4157

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to remove my name from H.R. 4157, the Health Information Technology Act of 2005.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There as no objection.

OVERSIGHT GAP IN IRAQ

(Mr. BROWN of Ohio asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BROWN of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, former State Department intelligence officials testified yesterday that they warned the administration 3 years ago that the occupation of Iraq would provoke insurgency ethnic strife and the targeting of U.S. forces. But their words then, 3 years ago, went unheeded.

The Post reported today that the hearing “marked the first time intelligence assessments on postwar Iraq had been specifically discussed in a congressional session.” No Republicans participated.

Three years after the war in Iraq began, Republicans are still refusing to investigate what went wrong. Ohio families are paying the price.

Many of us have repeatedly asked the President to present a plan for success in Iraq, a winning exit strategy to complete the mission and start to redeploy and bring our troops home. Republicans responded with theatrics and sound bites. More of the same is not a plan. More of the same doesn't bring us any closer to winning the global war on terror.

The troops and the American people deserve better. They deserve a Congress that doesn't look the other way when mistakes are made. They deserve a realistic and forward-thinking plan that brings our troops home.

SHUTTLE SAFETY

(Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, just a few days from today, brave Americans will again enter into space, pressing forward the intellectual and, of course, scientific expertise that Americans possess. I support the space exploration program, but I stand today as a member of the House Science Committee who has continually asked the question about safety, safety, safety.

After the incident of *Columbia*, we implemented safety procedures. Unfortunately, today, we find that one of the engineers that had concerns about the space shuttle's launch on July 1 has now been removed as an engineer from this program.

Whistle-blower protection. Safety requirements. It is time, before they launch, that they tell Members of Congress the facts and that we can be assured that all manner of testing, all assessment has been made to ensure a safe launch, as safe as possible, so that lives can be protected.

Vehicles may be lost, but the lives of astronauts should be protected. We need answers, and I look forward to getting those answers as soon as possible.

HAMAS-LED PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY, A TERRORIST ORGANIZATION

(Mr. ENGEL asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, more and more information is emerging that this week's kidnapping of an Israeli soldier and the killing of two others was a Hamas plot from day one. Several newspapers are reporting that the attack and kidnapping were carried out by Ahmed Jaabari, the commander of the Hamas military wing who takes his orders from Khaled Mashal, the senior Hamas leader based in Damascus, Syria.

According to the Associated Press, two senior aids to Palestinian Authority President Mahmoud Abbas said that Mashal gave the green light for the operation. This is a stinging indictment of the Syrian regime's participation in global terror and a brutal reminder about Hamas.

I and others have called the Hamas-led Palestinian Authority a terrorist organization. Congress recently passed a bill banning any assistance to the Palestinian Authority until it ends terror, recognizes Israel, and abides by all agreements signed by the Palestinian Authority. But most of all, with this terrorist attack, Hamas has once again shown its true stripes. It remains the murderous terrorist group which carried out scores of suicide bombings in the 1990s.

Our U.S. Ambassador Jones said yesterday, "The problem is in Damascus and that is where we should focus the world's attention." This is the key point. The Syrian Government continues to play host to a range of terrorist groups, including Hamas. And now, one of the outlaws in Damascus has kidnapped an Israeli soldier.

As the author of the Syria Accountability Act and Lebanese Sovereignty Restoration Act, I demand that the government of Syria close the terrorist bases in its country and bring the murderer Khaled Mashal to justice. And I ask President Bush to impose the remaining sanctions of the Syria Accountability Act which it has not yet imposed.

CONGRATULATING COLLEGE WORLD SERIES CHAMPION OREGON STATE BEAVERS

(Mr. WU asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WU. Mr. Speaker, we deal with such serious topics in this House of Representatives, and so I want to bring to the attention of this House and this

Nation a very happy topic. I rise to congratulate the Oregon State University Beavers on winning the College World Series baseball tournament.

This is indeed a Beaver Nation. After taking on UCLA, Stanford, Arizona, and USC, all sunny States, we in the rainy Northwest, with a team of kids from smaller communities all around the State, have successfully won a world championship. This is probably the first world championship since the Portland Trail Blazers won the NBA championship in 1977.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 4, 2005, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Connecticut (Mr. LARSON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. LARSON of Connecticut addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

SALMON FISHING SEASON A DISASTER

Mr. DEFAZIO. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to replace Mr. LARSON.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the gentleman from Oregon is recognized for 5 minutes.

There was no objection.

Mr. DEFAZIO. Mr. Speaker, today I had an extraordinary meeting with the head of the National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration, Mr. Lautenbacher, and his deputy, Mr. Hogarth. They met with six Members of Congress representing the west coast fishers in the United States, particularly from Oregon down into California.

These gentlemen met with us so we could ask them to ask, in all sincerity, when they are going to declare the salmon fishing season, which has been essentially closed by their agency, a disaster. Their answer was: never. Or maybe next year.

It was an extraordinary meeting. They said that because they allowed an extraordinarily limited season, that is, a fisherman can go out and catch up to 75 salmon, which won't quite pay for the fuel to leave the dock, on a few occasions during the year, that they can't anticipate whether or not it will be a disaster for those folks.

Now, the deputy was a little more honest, and he admitted that it was even worse than they thought. No one is fishing. No one is going out with fuel prices like this, and, in fact, there is virtually no activity. But they thought that people might go out. Maybe the price of fish will go way up. I said, to what, a hundred dollars a pound? What

are we talking about? What would induce people to go out into the ocean and catch 75 salmon, a commercial fishing boat? They couldn't answer that.

So we said, your regional counsel recommended a disaster declaration, and you sent it back. When will you process that? They said, oh, well, we have already sent it back again. We said, why did you send it back? They said, well, because they made a recommendation of a disaster.

The people who manage this agency in the region recognized the disaster. They recommended a disaster declaration to the national bureaucrats. The national bureaucrats said, no, you can't do that. They sent it back. They had to strip out their recommendation and then they sent it back and they said, okay.

So when are you going to process all the facts on which they made that determination? They said, not until February. Well, why not until next February? Because people might go out and catch 75 fish, and that might make a difference in whether or not there is a disaster.

It is extraordinary tortured logic. You can't get there from here. So we said, how about you just issue the declaration of a disaster. No, their lawyers say they can't do that. I asked to see the legal opinion. They said, no, they couldn't show me the legal opinion; that they couldn't do that.

We asked to see the recommendation from the regional people about the disaster, and they said, no, you can't have that. You are only Members of Congress representing these people. You can't have those documents because we haven't made a decision yet. When are you going to make a decision? When it is too late for the fishers and their families. When they have already gone bankrupt. When they have already lost their boats. That is next winter when they might get around to making a decision about this year's season.

So, then, I said, okay, how about this: why don't you just close down this lame season that you have created, this 75-fish limit on a few days; just close it down, declare a disaster, and get some assistance to the fishers? They said, oh, no, they couldn't do that because they have already made a decision that is based on certain documents, and they couldn't go back on that. I said, just declare an emergency. No, they are not going to do that.

□ 2245

They are getting orders from somewhere higher up in this administration that is embarrassed, embarrassed about the politics, embarrassed that 4 years ago, to make hay in an election year, they diverted water from irrigation, from the river to irrigation. They got headlines. They made great political hay with us with it. Now if they declare a disaster on the returning salmon, the class of that year, they are essentially admitting that they impacted that.