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EXTENDING LEAST-DEVELOPED BENEFICIARY DEVELOPING COUNTRY BENEFITS TO THE SOLOMON ISLANDS—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 110-105)

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. YARMUTH) laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, without objection, referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered to be printed:

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with section 502(f)(1)(B) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (the "Act"), I am providing notification of my intent to add the Solomon Islands to the list of least-developed beneficiary developing countries under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) program. In Executive Order 12302 of April 1, 1981, the Solomon Islands was designated as a beneficiary developing country for purposes of the GSP program. After considering the criteria set forth in sections 501 and 502 of the Act, I have determined that it is appropriate to extend least-developed beneficiary developing country benefits to the Solomon Islands.

GEORGE W. BUSH.
THE WHITE HOUSE, April 17, 2008.

HOUSE BILLS APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT

The President notified the Clerk of the House that on the following dates, he had approved and signed bills of the following titles:

January 7, 2008:

H.R. 660. An Act to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect judges, prosecutors, witnesses, victims, and their family members, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3690. An Act to provide for the transfer of the Library of Congress police to the United States Capitol Police, and for other purposes.

January 8, 2008:

H.R. 2640. An Act to improve the National Instant Criminal Background Check System, and for other purposes.

January 28, 2008:

H.R. 4986. An Act to provide for the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008, as previously enrolled, with certain modifications to address the foreign sovereign immunities provisions of title 28, United States Code, with respect to the attachment of property in certain judgements against Iraq, the lapse of statutory authorities for the payment of bonuses, special pays, and similar benefits for members of the uniformed services, and for other purposes.

January 31, 2008:

H.R. 5104. An Act to extend the Protect America Act of 2007 for 15 days.

February 5, 2008:

H.R. 3432. An Act to establish the Commission on the Abolition of the Transatlantic Slave Trade.

February 13, 2008:

H.R. 5140. An Act to provide economic stimulus through recovery rebates to indi-

viduals, incentives for business investment, and an increase in conforming and FHA loan limits.

February 14, 2008:

H.R. 4253. An Act to improve and expand small business assistance programs for veterans of the armed forces and military reservists, and for other purposes.

February 15, 2008:

H.R. 3541. An Act to amend the Do-not-call Implementation Act to eliminate the automatic removal of telephone numbers registered on the Federal "do-not-call" registry.

February 28, 2008:

H.R. 1216. An Act to direct the Secretary of Transportation to issue regulations to reduce the incidence of child injury and death occurring inside or outside of light motor vehicles, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5270. An Act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, and for other purposes.

February 29, 2008:

H.R. 5264. An Act to extend the Andean Trade Preference Act, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5478. An Act to provide for the continuing minting and issuance of certain \$1 coins in 2008.

SENATE BILLS APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT

The President notified the Clerk of the House that on the following dates, he had approved and signed bills of the Senate of the following titles:

January 4, 2008:

S. 2436. An Act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the term of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

January 7, 2008:

S. 863. An Act to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to fraud in connection with major disaster or emergency funds.

February 6, 2008:

S. 2110. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 427 North Street in Taft, California, as the "Larry S. Pierce Post Office".

March 6, 2008:

S. 2571. An Act to make technical corrections to the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act.

S. 781. An Act to extend the authority of the Federal Trade Commission to collect Do-Not-Call Registry fees to fiscal years after fiscal year 2007.

March 11, 2008:

S. 2478. To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 59 Colby Corner in East Hampstead, New Hampshire, as the "Captain Jonathan D. Grassbaugh Post Office".

March 12, 2008:

S. 2272. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service known as the Southpark Station in Alexandria, Louisiana, as the John "Marty" Thiels Southpark Station, in honor and memory of Thiels, a Louisiana postal worker who was killed in the line of duty on October 4, 2007.

March 14, 2008:

S. 2745. An Act to extend agricultural programs beyond March 15, 2008, to suspend permanent price support authorities beyond that date, and for other purposes.

S.J. Res. 25. Joint Resolution providing for the appointment of John W. McCarter as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

March 24, 2008:

S. 2733. An Act to temporarily extend the programs under the Higher Education Act of 1965.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. PALLONE (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today.

Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today through April 24 on account of a family medical 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. WOOLSEY) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SCHIFF, for 5 minutes, today.

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

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

Mr. TANCREDI, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. POE, for 5 minutes, April 24.

Mr. JONES of North Carolina, for 5 minutes, April 24.

Mr. PRICE of Georgia, for 5 minutes, today.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Ms. Lorraine C. Miller, 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. 5813. An act to amend Public Law 110-196 to provide for a temporary extension of programs authorized by the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 beyond April 18, 2008.

SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The Speaker announced her signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 793—An act to provide for the expansion and improvement of traumatic brain injury programs.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 4 o'clock and 54 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Friday, April 18, 2008, 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:

6138. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental

Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Inert Ingredients: Denial of Pesticide Petitions 2E6491 (N-Acyl Sarcosines and Sodium N-Acyl Sarcosinates), 7E4810 (Crezasin), and 7E4811 (Mival) [EPA-HQ-OPP-2002-0201; FRL-8342-4] received February 4, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6139. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Clothianidin; Pesticide Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-0280; FRL-8346-9] received January 28, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6140. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — North Dakota: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions and Incorporation by Reference of Approved Hazardous Waste Program [EPA-R08-RCRA-2006-0501; FRL-8524-7] received February 4, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6141. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Operating Permits Program; State of Kansas [EPA-R07-OAR-2007-0829; FRL-8526-2] received February 4, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6142. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maine; Transportation Conformity [EPA-R01-OAR-2007-1054; A-1-FRL-8524-9] received February 4, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6143. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Final Rule; Ohio; Revised Oxides of Nitrogen (NO_x) Regulation, Phase II, and Revised NO_x Trading Rule [EPA-R05-OAR-2007-1085; FRL-8519-1] received January 28, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6144. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Ohio; Clean Air Interstate Rule [EPA-R05-OAR-2007-0390; FRL-8519-6] received January 28, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6145. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Adequacy of Nebraska Municipal Solid Waste Landfill Program [EPA-R07-RCRA-2006-0878; FRL-8523-2] received January 28, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6146. A letter from the Executive Director, Office of Compliance, transmitting a copy of the 2007 Annual Report of the Office of Compliance, pursuant to Section 301(h) of the Congressional Accountability Act (CAA); jointly to the Committees on Education and Labor and House Administration.

6147. A letter from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting a report on the proposed fiscal year 2009 budget; jointly to the Committees on Oversight and Government Reform and Agriculture.

6148. A letter from the Chief Counsel for Advocacy, Small Business Administration,

transmitting the Administration's Report on the Regulatory Flexibility Act, FY 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 612(a) Public Law 96-354, section 3(a); jointly to the Committees on the Judiciary and Small Business.

6149. A letter from the Chair, Good Neighbor Environmental Board, transmitting the eleventh annual report of the Good Neighbor Environmental Board; jointly to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and Energy and Commerce.

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. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 3513. A bill to amend the Oregon Wilderness Act of 1984 to designate the Copper Salmon Wilderness and to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the North and South Forks of the Elk River in the State of Oregon as wild or scenic rivers, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110-591). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 831. A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain Forest Service land to the city of Coffman Cove, Alaska; with an amendment (Rept. 110-592). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 3734. A bill to rename the Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area in the State of Idaho as the Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area in honor of the late Morley Nelson, an international authority on birds of prey, who was instrumental in the establishment of this National Conservation Area, and for other purposes (Rept. 110-593). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. WAXMAN: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. H.R. 3928. A bill to require certain large government contractors that receive more than 80 percent of their annual gross revenue from Federal contracts to disclose the names and salaries of their most highly compensated officers, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110-594). 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. MANZULLO (for himself and Mr. SMITH of Washington):

H.R. 5828. A bill to enhance the reliability of information in the Automated Export System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. SIREs (for himself, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, and Mr. MEEK of Florida):

H.R. 5829. A bill to improve the Operating Fund for public housing of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts (for himself, Ms. WATERS, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. WATT, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. CLAY, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mr. LINCOLN DAVIS of Tennessee, Mr.

HODES, Mr. WILSON of Ohio, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. MURPHY of Connecticut, Mr. DONNELLY, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. SHAYS, Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida, Mr. DINGELL, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. HINCHAY, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Ms. LEE, Mr. WU, Ms. MCCOLLUM of Minnesota, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. SESTAK, Mr. SIREs, and Ms. TSONGAS):

H.R. 5830. A bill to create a voluntary FHA program that provides mortgage refinancing assistance to allow families to stay in their homes, protect neighborhoods, and help stabilize the housing market; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

H.R. 5831. A bill to amend the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 to provide injured members of the Armed Forces information concerning benefits; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

H.R. 5832. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to eliminate the requirement for dependents to reside with members of the Armed Forces to be eligible for TRICARE Prime Remote; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. DEFAZIO:

H.R. 5833. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for the direct payment of attorney fees and costs to the attorney representing a prevailing party in certain Social Security Disability Insurance and Supplemental Security Income claims, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN (for herself, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina, and Mr. FORTUÑO):

H.R. 5834. A bill to amend the North Korean Human Rights Act of 2004 to promote respect for the fundamental human rights of the people of North Korea, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. SCHAKOWSKY (for herself, Mr. BURGESS, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mr. GORDON, Mr. TERRY, Mr. HINOJOSA, Mr. FERGUSON, Ms. BORDALLO, Ms. SOLIS, and Mrs. CAPPS):

H.R. 5835. A bill to provide for increased planning and funding for health promotion programs of the Department of Health and Human Services; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. CARNAHAN:

H.R. 5836. A bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to authorize the President to provide assistance to establish partnerships between businesses and postsecondary educational institutions in developing countries in Africa to increase economic freedom and competitiveness, promote civil society, and improve the quality of life in such countries; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California (for herself, Mr. FORTENBERRY, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. SKELTON, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. BERMAN, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. PENCE, and Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas):

H.R. 5837. A bill to make technical corrections to section 1244 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008, which provides special immigrant status for certain Iraqis, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California (for himself, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. TIERNEY, and Mr. ANDREWS):