

Kennedy had given that first speech, we would never have put a man on the Moon. The reason we put a man on the Moon is because when a President of the United States sets a hard target for the Government of the United States, that vast bureaucracy moves to achieve that purpose. If the President of the United States denies that vast bureaucracy, the clarity of that purpose does not give a specific measurable goal, and it makes that goal far less likely to achieve.

So not only do I ask the White House to turn away from Medicare benefit cuts and redouble their efforts on delivery system reform, I ask them to decide how much they are going to save, and by when, and let us know so we can evaluate their success in meeting that goal. I promise them every support in reaching that goal.

I thank the Presiding Officer for his patience and yield the floor.

#### ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 10 a.m. tomorrow.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 8:07 p.m., adjourned until Friday, September 16, 2011, at 10 a.m.

#### NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

##### THE JUDICIARY

RONALD LEE BUCH, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A JUDGE OF THE UNITED STATES TAX COURT FOR A TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS, VICE DAVID LARO, TERM EXPIRED.

##### DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

ALASTAIR M. FITZPAYNE, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY, VICE KIM N. WALLACE.

##### DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

BRAD CARSON, OF OKLAHOMA, TO BE GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY, VICE BENEDICT S. COHEN, RESIGNED.

##### THE JUDICIARY

KEVIN A. OHLSON, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A JUDGE OF THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ARMED FORCES FOR THE TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS TO EXPIRE ON THE DATE PRESCRIBED BY LAW, VICE ANDREW S. EFFRON, TERM EXPIRING.

##### FOREIGN SERVICE

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED CAREER MEMBERS OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE FOR PROMOTION INTO AND WITHIN THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE TO THE CLASSES INDICATED:

CAREER MEMBERS OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CLASS OF CAREER MINISTER:

JOHN ROSS BEYRLE, OF MICHIGAN  
ROBERT O. BLAKE, OF MARYLAND  
JEFFREY DAVID FELTMAN, OF OHIO  
MARGARET SCOBEEY, OF TENNESSEE  
HARRY K. THOMAS, JR., OF NEW YORK

CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR:

CHARLES V. BARCLAY, OF CALIFORNIA  
JOHN R. BASS II, OF NEW YORK  
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RICHARD C. BEER, OF VIRGINIA  
PHILIP JACKSON BREEDEN, OF CALIFORNIA  
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JUDITH BETH CEFKIN, OF TEXAS  
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SHARON E. LUDAN, OF VIRGINIA  
ERIC H. MADISON, OF VIRGINIA  
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ERIC SETH RUBIN, OF NEW YORK  
RICHARD MILTON SANDERS, OF PENNSYLVANIA  
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THE FOLLOWING-NAMED CAREER MEMBERS OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE FOR PROMOTION INTO THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, AS INDICATED:

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PATRICIA K. KABRA, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
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MIREMBE NANTONGO, OF KANSAS  
WILLIAM A. OSTICK, OF GEORGIA  
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MARK TONER, OF MARYLAND  
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LEO F. VOYTKO, JR., OF VIRGINIA

MATTHEW ALAN WEILLER, OF NEW YORK  
HOYT B. YEE, OF CALIFORNIA

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JAMES B. ANGELL, OF CALIFORNIA  
MICHAEL J. BARELA, OF VIRGINIA  
MAURICE C. CROSSLAND, JR., OF PENNSYLVANIA  
JAN MARIE FLATTUM-REIMERS, OF NORTH DAKOTA  
MELISSA CLAIRE FOYNES, OF TEXAS  
GLEN A. GERSHMAN, OF MARYLAND  
PETER G. GIBBONS, OF VIRGINIA  
BARRY L. HANEY, OF FLORIDA  
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THE FOLLOWING-NAMED MEMBERS OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE TO BE CONSULAR OFFICERS AND SECRETARIES IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

ROBERT DONOVAN, JR., OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
PETER FOWLER, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
ALBERT KEYACK, OF VIRGINIA  
BARBARA LAPINI, OF VIRGINIA  
LINDA MINSKER, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
BRENDA VANHORN, OF VIRGINIA

##### IN THE COAST GUARD

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 14, U.S.C. SECTION 271:

##### To be rear admiral (lower half)

CAPTAIN MARK E. BUTT  
CAPTAIN LINDA L. FAGAN  
CAPTAIN THOMAS W. JONES  
CAPTAIN STEVEN D. POULIN  
CAPTAIN JAMES E. RENDON  
CAPTAIN JOSEPH A. SERVIDIO

##### IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR ARMY NURSE CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 531 AND 3064:

##### To be major

KELLY A. CRICKS

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR ARMY MEDICAL SERVICE CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 531 AND 3064:

##### To be major

DAMIAN G. MCCABE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531:

##### To be major

JOHN R. PENDERGRASS

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

##### To be colonel

ROBERT D. BLACK  
GEORGETTE GOONAN  
TRUDY A. SALERNO

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

##### To be colonel

JAMES A. CHRISTENSEN  
CHRISTOPHER J. DEMEULENAERE  
FORD D. PAULSON  
KATHLEEN A. WILLIAMS

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

##### To be colonel

MATTHEW J. CONDE  
RAYMOND FEELEY  
MICHAEL E. GAFNEY  
DANE S. HARDEN  
GARY J. MCKAY  
OWEN F. MUELLER  
VICTOR M. PALOMARES

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

##### To be colonel

LEE A. ADAMS  
ROXANNE M. ARNDT  
BEVERLY A. BLAIR  
PATRICIA M. BRIGHAM  
NANCY A. CANTRELL

DIANE L. CASSELL  
 MARY A. COLBERG  
 VALERIE COLEMAN  
 JOHN N. ELZIE  
 SUSAN M. FITZGERALD  
 NANCY P. GRIEGO  
 GARY J. GROSSI  
 GLORIA HARRIS  
 LAVONNA J. HEATH  
 DIANNE JACKSON  
 CINDY B. KATZ  
 TRISHA E. KILLANY  
 SHERRIE L. LAKES  
 KATHRYN A. MARTIN  
 JAMES D. MELSON  
 CATHLEEN M. NELSON  
 DARLENE M. NICHOLS  
 SUSAN M. PALMER  
 BARBARA J. PILAK  
 MARILYN E. RICHMONDJOHNSON  
 JOAN M. RUTTLEKING  
 JOY A. SAARI  
 ROBERT T. SHORT  
 JAN L. SHRINER

CAROL STPIERRE  
 JODENE M. STRONG  
 PATRICIA L. TENHAAF  
 CHRISTIAN L. TOLLIVER  
 MARK A. YOUNG

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C. SECTION 12203:

*To be colonel*

KATHIE S. CLARK  
 RONALD D. EARDLEY  
 NANCY L. MCLAUGHLIN

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C. SECTION 12203:

*To be colonel*

LYNN R. GAYLORD  
 SIERRA A. GOWER  
 NATALIE R. HIGHLEY  
 CAROLYN A. HUNT  
 MARION J. JARRETT

ELENOR G. JESSEN  
 DOROTHY JOHNSON  
 VICKI L. NOLIN

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531:

*To be major*

NATHAN W. BLACK  
 GREGORY L. CATO  
 TROY G. DANDERSON

CONFIRMATION

Executive nomination confirmed by the Senate September 15, 2011:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

WENDY RUTH SHERMAN, OF MARYLAND, TO BE AN UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE (POLITICAL AFFAIRS).