

the authority of Congress and the limitations of the Constitution. President Obama does not.

The Constitution is not a list of suggestions; it is the law of the land. If members of Congress do not stand up for Congress's right to declare war, as enumerated in the Constitution, who will?

REP. DAN BURTON (R., Ind.),
Indianapolis.

You miss the point of the Kucinich and Boehner resolutions and misstate the Founders' intentions.

Our Founders did not expect Congress would "run a war," but they did expect Congress (e.g., the people) would determine if we would go to war. Implicit in the constitutional provision that "Congress shall have power to . . . declare war" is that the people would become informed on why the war was necessary and in the national interest, and thereby come to support the decision.

The War Powers Resolution and its reasonable attempt to allow our commander and

chief to respond to emergencies is moot in this case because, after almost three patient months, we the people are still waiting for an explanation of why we are in Libya. Is it an emergency? If we are in Libya, why not Yemen or Syria? As our representatives, the people's house is asking for an answer. Not to demand an answer would continue the bad precedents of allowing our commander in chief to assume unilateral non-constitutional powers. If an answer is not appropriately vetted by Congress, then the logical conclusion is to withdraw.

CONWAY G. IVY,
Beaufort, S.C.

In case people haven't noticed, the U.S. government is broke, and Libya did not attack us. As long as Republicans remain the party of perpetual war, they will likely continue to lose elections. There appears to be a dawning awareness among some in Congress that the American people are fed up with these unending wars that have nothing to do with defending America. That is the reason

some House Republicans supported the Kucinich resolution, and I applaud them. Congress should never have gone along with President Bush's war on Iraq, and Congress should not go along with President Obama's war on Libya. You cannot have limited government and unlimited war. The two are mutually exclusive.

SUSAN R. BERGE,
Johnston, R.I.

Your editorial fails to mention that each president since Richard Nixon could have taken the War Powers Resolution of 1973 to the Supreme Court, where the Founders set up a mechanism to decide matters like this.

We may not like some of the heads of other countries, and there are awful individuals ruling many countries, but that shouldn't cause us to ignore our own laws and Constitution to pound on them just because we can.

LARRY STEWART,
Vienna, Va.

NATO OPERATIONS IN LIBYA BY COUNTRY

Country	No. of personnel	No. of aircraft	Est No. of sorties flown, from beg of war until 5 May 2011	No. of cruise missiles fired	Main air base
Belgium	170	6	60		Araxos base in south-western Greece.
Bulgaria	160	0	0		
Canada	560	11	358		Trapani-Birgi and Signonella.
Denmark	120	4	161	0	Signonella, Sicily.
France	800	29	1,200		currently operating from French Air Bases of Avord, Nancy, St. Dizier, Dijon and Istres, as well as Evreux and Orleans for planes engaged in logistics.
Greece		0	0	0	Aktion and Andravida military air fields in Crete.
Italy		12	600		Gioia del Colle, Trapani, Signonella, Decimomannu, Amendola, Aviano, Pantelleria.
Jordan	30	12			Cerenecia, Libya.
Netherlands	200	7			sardinian base, decimomannu.
Norway	140	6	100		Souda Bay, Crete.
Qatar	60	8			Souda Bay, Crete.
Romania	205				
Spain	500	7			
Sweden	122	8	78	0	Signonella.
Turkey		6			Signonella Air Base in Italy.
UAE	35	12			Decimomannu, Sardinia.
UK	1300	28	1,300	18	Gioia del Colle, Italy and RAF Akrotiri, Cyprus.
US	8507	153	2,000	228	
TOTALS	12,909	309	5,857	246	

With that, Madam Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia (at the request of Mr. CANTOR) for today from 3:30 p.m. and for the balance of the week on account of a death in the family.

SENATE ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The Speaker announced his signature to enrolled bills of the Senate of the following titles:

S. 349. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4865 Tallmadge Road in Rootstown, Ohio, as the "Marine Sgt. Jeremy E. Murray Post Office".

S. 655. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 95 Dogwood Street in Cary, Mississippi, as the "Spencer Byrd Powers, Jr. Post Office".

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. BURTON of Indiana. Madam Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 32 minutes

p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, June 23, 2011, at 10 a.m. for morning-hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

2126. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a report presenting the specific amount of staff-years of technical effort to be allocated for each defense Federally Funded Research and Development Center (FFRDC) during FY 2012, pursuant to Public Law 112-10, section 8026(e); to the Committee on Armed Services.

2127. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting Report to Congress: 2006 National Estimates of the Number of Boarder Babies, Abandoned Infants, Discarded Infants and Infant Homicides; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

2128. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Medical Devices; Reclassification of the Topical Oxygen Chamber for Extremities; Correction [Docket No.: FDA-2006-N-0045; Formerly Docket No. 2006N-0109] received June 7, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2129. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Determination of Attainment for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone Standard: States of Missouri and Illinois [EPA-R07-OAR-2010-0416; FRL-9317-4] received June 6, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2130. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Idaho [EPA-R10-OAR-2007-0406; FRL-9316-7] received June 6, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2131. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Oregon; Interstate Transport of Pollution; Significant Contribution to Nonattainment and Interference with Maintenance Requirements [EPA-R10-OAR-2011-0003; FRL-9316-9] received June 6, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2132. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revisions and Additions to Motor Vehicle Fuel Economy Label [EPA-HQ-OAR-2009-0865; FRL-9315-1; NHTSA-2010-0087] (RIN: 2060-AQ09; RIN: 2127-AK73) received June 6, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2133. A letter from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Jurisdictional Separations and Referral to the Federal-State Joint Board [CC Docket No.: 80-286] received May 25, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2134. A letter from the Deputy General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Natural Gas Pipelines; Project Cost and Annual Limits [Docket No.: RM81-19-000] received June 7, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2135. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Administrative Practices in Radiation Surveys and Monitoring, Regulatory Guide 8.2, Revision 1 received May 26, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2136. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Semiannual Report of the Office of Inspector General for the period ending March 31, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) section 5(b); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

2137. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel, General Law, Ethics, and Regulation, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a report pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

2138. A letter from the Chairman, Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting a report entitled "Women in the Federal Government: Ambitions and Achievements"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

2139. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's Federal Equal Opportunity Recruitment Program Report for Fiscal Year 2010, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 7201(e); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

2140. A letter from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Wyoming Regulatory Program [STATS No.: WY-038-FOR; Docket ID: OSM-2009-0012] received June 7, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

2141. A letter from the Wildlife Biologist, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Migratory Bird Subsistence Harvest in Alaska; Harvest Regulations for Migratory Birds in Alaska During the 2011 Season [Docket No.: FWS-R9-MB-2010-0082] (RIN: 1018-AX30) received June 3, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

2142. A letter from the Chief, Branch of Recovery and Delisting, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Reclassification of the Tulotoma Snail from Endangered to Threatened [Docket No.: FWS-R4-ES-2008-0119] (RIN: 1018-AX01) received June 2, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

2143. A letter from the Chief, Branch of Listing, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Revised Designation of Critical Habitat for *Astragalus jaegerianus* (Land Mountain milk-vetch) [Docket No.: FWS-R8-ES-2009-0078] (RIN: 1018-AW53) received June 2, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

2144. A letter from the Acting Chief, Branch of Listing, USFWS, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Critical Habitat for Roswell Springsnail, Koster's Springsnail, Noel's Amphipod, and Pecos Assiminea [Docket No.: FWS-R2-ES-2009-0014] (RIN: 1018-AW50) received June 2, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

2145. A letter from the Clerk of the House of Representatives, transmitting the annual compilation of personal financial disclosure statements and amendments thereto required to be filed by Members of the House with the Clerk of the House of Representatives, pursuant to Rule XXVI, clause 1, of the House Rules; (H. Doc. No. 112-38); to the Committee on Ethics and ordered to be printed.

2146. A letter from the Clerk of the House of Representatives, transmitting annual compilation of financial disclosure statements of the members of the Office of Congressional Ethics; (H. Doc. No. 112-39); to the Committee on Ethics and ordered to be printed.

2147. A letter from the Chief, Border Security Regulations Branch, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Technical Amendment to List of User Fee Airports: Addition of Dallas Love Field Municipal Airport, Dallas Texas (CBP Dec. 11-13) received May 27, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2148. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Regulations Governing Practice Before the Internal Revenue Service [TD 9527] (RIN: 1545-BH01) received June 8, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2149. A letter from the Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting a report entitled "Part D Plans Generally Include Drugs Commonly Used By Dual Eligibles"; jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

2150. A letter from the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice, transmitting a letter regarding the funding of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act; jointly to the Committees on the Judiciary and Intelligence (Permanent Select).

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. HALL: Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. First Semiannual Report of Activities (Rept. 112-112). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. NUGENT: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 320. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2219) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, and for other purposes (Rept. 112-113). Referred to the House Calendar.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas (for herself, Mr. PASCARELL, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. REICHERT, Mr. HOYER, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. CRITZ, Mr. WU, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. CLARKE of Michigan, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. MICHAUD, and Mr. GRIMM):

H.R. 2269. A bill to amend sections 33 and 34 of the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and in addition to the Committee on Homeland Security, 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 Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN:

H.R. 2270. A bill to amend section 1605A of title 28, United States Code, to provide that the statute of limitations must be raised as an affirmative defense; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROYCE (for himself and Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia):

H.R. 2271. A bill to prohibit the awarding of contracts by the Federal Government to Chinese entities until the People's Republic of China signs the WTO Agreement on Government Procurement; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. YARMUTH (for himself, Mr.

POLIS, Ms. BERKLEY, Mr. SABLAN, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. GRIMALVA, Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. COHEN, and Ms. HIRONO):

H.R. 2272. A bill to establish a comprehensive literacy program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. MCKINLEY (for himself, Mr.

WHITFIELD, Mr. RAHALL, Mrs. CAPITO, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. OLSON, Mrs. LUMMIS, Mr. ROSS of Florida, Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. PITTS, Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky, Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS, Mr. WOMACK, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. PALAZZO, and Mr. BUCSHON):

H.R. 2273. A bill to amend subtitle D of the Solid Waste Disposal Act to facilitate recovery and beneficial use, and provide for the proper management and disposal, of materials generated by the combustion of coal and other fossil fuels; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. BILIRAKIS:

H.R. 2274. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Secretary of Defense to submit to Congress annual reports on the Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, 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. PRICE of North Carolina (for himself and Mr. COBLE):

H.R. 2275. A bill to support innovation and research in the United States textile and fiber products industry; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Foreign Affairs, 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 Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ:

H.R. 2276. A bill to require the Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office to conduct a study on effective ways to provide confirming genetic diagnostic test activity where gene patents and exclusive licensing exist, and for other purposes; to the