

Luftfahrt GmbH Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2011-0912) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5432. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce plc (RR) RB211-535 Series Turbofan Engine" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2009-0994)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5433. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Lycoming Engines Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2011-0691)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5434. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Thielert Aircraft Engines GmbH Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2011-0956)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5435. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Superior Air Parts, Lycoming Engines (Formerly Textron Lycoming), and Continental Motors, Inc., Fuel-Injected Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2011-0547)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5436. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; General Electric Company Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2010-0068)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5437. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Honeywell International Inc. TPE331-10 and TPE331-11 Series Turboprop Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2011-0789)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5438. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2012-0037)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5439. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; CFM International, S.A. Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2011-0946)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5440. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce plc Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2012-0004)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. COONS):

S. 2215. A bill to create jobs in the United States by increasing United States exports to Africa by at least 200 percent in real dollar value within 10 years, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mr. LUGAR):

S. 2216. A bill to amend the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to make loans to certain entities that will use the funds to make loans to consumers to implement cost-effective energy efficiency measures to promote energy cost savings and rural development; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. ENZI, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, and Mr. HARKIN):

S. 2217. A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to restore integrity to and strengthen payment limitation rules for commodity payments and benefits; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CARPER, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts):

S. 2218. A bill to reauthorize the United States Fire Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. BENNET, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. LEAHY, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. REED, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. COONS, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. WEBB, Mr. CONRAD, Mrs. McCASKILL, Mr. CASEY, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 2219. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. LEVIN:

S. 2220. A bill for the relief of Momo Krcic; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. THUNE (for himself, Mr. MORAN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. TESTER, Mr.

RUBIO, Mr. PAUL, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. WICKER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. VITTER, Mr. LEE, Mr. MCCONNELL, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BURR, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. COATS, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. ENZI, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. COBURN, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNES, Mr. HATCH, Mr. KIRK, Mr. KYL, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, and Mr. ALEXANDER):

S. 2221. A bill to prohibit the Secretary of Labor from finalizing a proposed rule under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 relating to child labor; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SANDERS (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. CARDIN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 2222. A bill to require the Commodity Futures Trading Commission to take certain actions to reduce excessive speculation in energy markets; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BURR, and Mr. SHELBY):

S.J. Res. 38. A joint resolution disapproving a rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to the certification of nonimmigrant workers in temporary or seasonal nonagricultural employment; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself and Mr. KERRY):

S. Res. 401. A resolution expressing appreciation for Foreign Service and Civil Service professionals who represent the United States around the globe; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. COONS (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. HATCH, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. AKAKA, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. TESTER, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. FRANKEN, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. REED, Mr. MORAN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. ISAKSON, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. BEGICH, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. COATS, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. BLUNT):

S. Res. 402. A resolution condemning Joseph Kony and the Lord's Resistance Army for committing crimes against humanity and mass atrocities, and supporting ongoing efforts by the United States Government and governments in central Africa to remove Joseph Kony and Lord's Resistance Army commanders from the battlefield; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Res. 403. A resolution to authorize testimony, document production, and legal representation in United States v. Richard F. "Dickie" Scruggs; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 102

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr.

RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 102, a bill to provide an optional fast-track procedure the President may use when submitting rescission requests, and for other purposes.

S. 418

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 418, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the World War II members of the Civil Air Patrol.

S. 1039

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the names of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) and the Senator from Utah (Mr. LEE) were added as cosponsors of S. 1039, a bill to impose sanctions on persons responsible for the detention, abuse, or death of Sergei Magnitsky, for the conspiracy to defraud the Russian Federation of taxes on corporate profits through fraudulent transactions and lawsuits against Hermitage, and for other gross violations of human rights in the Russian Federation, and for other purposes.

S. 1086

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) and the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) were added as cosponsors of S. 1086, a bill to reauthorize the Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act of 2004, to provide assistance to Best Buddies to support the expansion and development of mentoring programs, and for other purposes.

S. 1129

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the names of the Senator from Utah (Mr. LEE) and the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1129, a bill to amend the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to improve the management of grazing leases and permits, and for other purposes.

S. 1366

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1366, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to broaden the special rules for certain governmental plans under section 105(j) to include plans established by political subdivisions.

S. 2090

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. BEGICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2090, a bill to amend the Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act to extend the period of time provided to the Indian Law and Order Commission to produce a required report, and for other purposes.

S. 2122

At the request of Mr. PAUL, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2122, a bill to clarify the definition of navigable waters, and for other purposes.

S. 2165

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma

(Mr. COBURN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2165, a bill to enhance strategic cooperation between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.

S. 2201

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2201, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the renewable energy credit.

S. 2204

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW), the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN), the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON), the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. MCCASKILL), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN), the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) and the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2204, a bill to eliminate unnecessary tax subsidies and promote renewable energy and energy conservation.

S. 2213

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, his name was withdrawn as a cosponsor of S. 2213, a bill to allow reciprocity for the carrying of certain concealed firearms.

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the names of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) and the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS) were added as cosponsors of S. 2213, *supra*.

S. RES. 356

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 356, a resolution expressing support for the people of Tibet.

S. RES. 397

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 397, a resolution promoting peace and stability in Sudan, and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. COONS):

S. 2215. A bill to create jobs in the United States by increasing United States exports to Africa by at least 200 percent in real dollar value within 10 years, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the text of the bill was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 2215

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Increasing American Jobs Through Greater Exports to Africa Act of 2012".

SEC. 2. FINDINGS; PURPOSE.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following findings:

(1) Export growth helps United States business grow and create American jobs. In 2010, 60 percent of American exports came from small- and medium-sized businesses.

(2) On January 31, 2011, the President mandated an executive review across agencies to determine where the United States Government could become more competitive and helpful to business, including help with promoting exports.

(3) Several United States Government agencies are involved in export promotion. Coordination of the efforts of these agencies through the Trade Promotion Coordinating Committee lacks sufficient strategic implementation and accountability.

(4) Many other countries have trade promotion programs that aggressively compete against United States exports in Africa and around the world. For example, in 2010, medium- and long-term official export credit general volumes from the Group of 7 countries (Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the United Kingdom, and the United States) totaled \$65,400,000,000. Germany provided the largest level of support at \$22,500,000,000, followed by France at \$17,400,000,000 and the United States at \$13,000,000,000. Official export credit support by emerging market economies such as Brazil, China, and India are significant as well.

(5) Between 2008 and 2010, China alone provided more than \$110,000,000,000 in loans to the developing world, and, in 2009, China surpassed the United States as the leading trade partner of African countries. The Export-Import Bank of the United States substantially increased lending to United States businesses focused on Africa from \$400,000,000 in 2009 to an anticipated \$1,000,000,000 in 2011, but the Export-Import Bank of China dwarfed this effort with an estimated \$12,000,000,000 worth of financing.

(6) Other countries such as India, Turkey, Russia, and Brazil are also aggressively seeking markets in Africa using their national export banks to provide concessional assistance.

(7) The Chinese practice of concessional financing runs contrary to the principles of the Organization of Economic Co-operation and Development related to open market rates, undermines naturally competitive rates, and can allow governments in Africa to overlook the troubling record on labor practices, human rights, and environmental impact.

(8) The African continent is undergoing a period of rapid growth and middle class development, as seen from major indicators such as Internet use and clean water access. In 2000, only 6.7 percent of the population of Africa had access to the Internet. In 2009, 27.1 percent of the population had Internet access. Seventy-eight percent of Africa's rural population now has access to clean water.

(9) Economists have designated Africa as the "next frontier market", with profitability and growth rates among many African firms exceeding global averages in recent years. Countries in Africa have a collective spending power of almost \$9,000,000,000 and a gross domestic product of \$1,600,000,000,000, which are projected to double in the next 10 years.

(10) Sub-Saharan Africa is projected to have the fastest growing economies in the world over the next 5 years, with 7 of the 10 fastest growing economies located in sub-Saharan Africa.

(11) When countries such as China assist with large-scale government projects, they