

Coast and the fourth largest in the country. The Georgia Department of Economic Development recently announced that Georgia exported more than \$28.7 billion in goods last year, a 20.8 percent increase from 2009 and our imports experienced a 27 percent increase last year compared to 2009. That's well over the overall national increase of 22.6 percent. Exports accounted for more than 54 percent of the 2.8 million containers Georgia Ports moved last year. Savannah handles more than 17 percent of all container cargo on the East Coast and is an essential element for the creation of new jobs, and the preservation of existing jobs, in America. The Panama Canal Authority has undertaken a 7 year \$5.25 billion project to widen the canal to double its capacity by allowing larger ships to transit it. After this expansion, the Panama Canal will be able to handle vessels of cargo capacity up to 13,000 twenty-foot equivalent units or TEUs, which is the measure of cargo capacity often used to describe the capacity of a container ship. As a result of the canal's expansion and widening, shipping vessels are modernizing their fleet and purchasing a much larger class of vessel. These "Post Panamax" and "New Panamax" fleets will be comprised of vessels much larger than anything on the ocean today.

In order to accommodate these vessels, improvements must be made to our Nation's existing infrastructure. The Georgia Ports Authority and the State of Georgia are undertaking a project to deepen the port's channel from 42 feet to 48 feet in order to accommodate this larger class of vessels. Doing so will protect existing jobs at the port while also creating new jobs as these larger vessels call in the Port of Savannah. It is critically important that we expand not only Savannah Harbor but all harbors to ensure they continue to act as gateways for business to not only Georgia and the Southeast United States, but the entire Nation.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### RECOGNIZING WILBUR'S OF MAINE CHOCOLATE CONFECTIONS

• Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, today millions of Americans across the country will be reminded of the wonders of love and romance. Some may receive a traditional Valentines Day card, others a perfect bouquet of fragrant flowers, and several lucky individuals will receive delectable chocolates, perhaps enclosed in a magnificent red heart shaped box. While today is Valentines Day, the entire month of February is National Chocolate Lover's month, and with these two festive occasions in mind, I rise to commend Wilbur's of Maine Chocolate Confections located in Freeport, ME.

Tom Wilbur and Catherine Carty-Wilbur opened this small chocolatier in

1983, with the goal of providing the highest quality chocolate products to their customers. One of the highlights of Wilbur's is their scrumptious Needham candy, which is a unique delicacy of Maine offering a luxurious blend of chocolate and potato. Wilbur's uses only Maine-farmed potatoes which are among the best in the world in making this delightful treat.

Over the years, the store's charm and rich chocolate selection warranted an expansion and Tom and Catherine sought to move from their original Freeport location to a larger space where they could produce more candy. While garnering funds for expansion, the Wilburs consulted with the Maine Small Business and Technology Development Center regarding a seed grant from the Maine Technology Institute, which they were successfully awarded in 2008. This grant allowed Wilbur's to finish research and development on two pieces of equipment, which were integral in enhancing their company's candy production. Today, this small business has three retail store locations, two in Freeport and one in Brunswick. Inquisitive customers can even tour one of their Freeport locations which doubles as Wilbur's factory!

Wilbur's also understands the importance of giving back to their local community. Recipients of their generous donations include the Central Maine Medical Center as well as Day One in south Portland—a non-profit whose mission is to reduce youth substance abuse. Additionally, to spread the joy of chocolate making, this small business frequently holds events to instruct individuals in this unique craft, including a summer program to turn children into junior chocolatiers. Earlier this month, Wilbur's even held a fun "love bug" event at their Freeport store where individuals could create a special Valentines treat for their loved ones, and demonstrated Needham-making for the Freeport Historical Society.

In light of their delicious product and valued contributions to the State, it is no surprise that this small company has received several accolades. In both 2010 and 2011, they were honored with the Readers' Choice Award for Candy Shops by *Downeast Maine Magazine*. Furthermore, earlier this year Tom and Catherine received the Gowell Award, which is the highest honor bestowed by the New England Retail Confectioner Association and is only given out once every three years—a truly astounding achievement indeed.

Throughout the month of February, but especially today, we celebrate our love of all things chocolate. Wilbur's of Maine Chocolate Confections is a shining example of why everyone's heart truly lights up at the thought of consuming delectable chocolate goods. This company not only produces a superior product, but continually provides valuable contributions as active and engaged members of the community. I am proud to extend my con-

gratulations to everyone at Wilbur's of Maine Chocolate Confections for their dedication to excellence, and offer my best wishes for their continued success.●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Thomas, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 2105. A bill to enhance the security and resiliency of the cyber and communications infrastructure of the United States.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-4960. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Indoxacarb; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9336-7) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4961. A communication from the Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to violations of the Antideficiency Act that occurred within the Salaries and Expenses account for fiscal years 2010 and 2011; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-4962. A communication from the Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to violations of the Antideficiency Act that occurred within the Salaries and Expenses account in fiscal year 2010 and in the over two decades prior; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-4963. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 12-002, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4964. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Division of Clearing and Risk, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Protection of Cleared Swaps Customer Contracts and Collateral; Conforming Amendments to the

Commodity Broker Bankruptcy Provisions" (RIN3038-AC99) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4965. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity" (RIN2501-AD49) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4966. A communication from the Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2010 Annual Report of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC); to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4967. A communication from the Deputy Chief of the National Forest System, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the detailed boundary for the Sturgeon Wild and Scenic River in Michigan to be added to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4968. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Texas Regulatory Program" ((SATS Nos. TX-061/062/063-FOR)(Docket No. OSM-2008-0018)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4969. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Preconstruction Permitting Requirements for Electric Generation Stations in Maryland" (FRL No. 9628-7) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4970. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, California Air Resources Board—Consumer Products" (FRL No. 9609-7) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4971. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 9501-6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4972. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Significant New Uses of Tris Carbamoyl Triazine" (FRL No. 9330-6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4973. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule en-

titled "Disapproval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Montana; Revisions to the Administrative Rules of Montana—Air Quality, Subchapter 7, Exclusion for De Minimis Changes" (FRL No. 9495-9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4974. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; State of Florida; Control of Large Municipal Waste Combustor (LMWC) Emissions From Existing Facilities; Correction" (FRL No. 9628-6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4975. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Quality Designations for the 2010 Primary Nitrogen Dioxide (NO<sub>2</sub>) National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9624-3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4976. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Alabama, Georgia, and Tennessee: Chattanooga; Particulate Matter 2002 Base Year Emissions Inventory" (FRL No. 9628-2) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4977. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Engagement in Additional Work Activities and Expenditures for Other Benefits and Services, April–June 2011: A Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4978. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Exceptions or Alternatives to Labeling Requirements for Products Held by the Strategic National Stockpile" (Docket No. FDA-2006-N-0364) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4979. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Disease Control, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of User Fees for Filovirus Testing of Nonhuman Primate Liver Samples" (RIN0920-AA47) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4980. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers from the Hooker Electrochemical Corporation in Niagara Falls, New York, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4981. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers from the Linde Ceramics Plant in Tonawanda, New York, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4982. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers from the Savannah River Site in Aiken, South Carolina, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4983. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Performance Report for fiscal year 2011 for the Prescription Drug User Fee Act (PDUFA); to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4984. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation; Reinstatement of Coverage Pertaining to Final Payment Under Construction and Building Service Contracts" (RIN3090-AJ13) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4985. A communication from the Comptroller, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fees" (25 CFR Part 514) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 10, 2012; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-4986. A communication from the Chief of Staff, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Review and Approval of Existing Ordinances or Resolutions; Repeal" (RIN3141-AA45) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-4987. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Tribal-State Road Maintenance Agreements; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-4988. A communication from the Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a foreign terrorist organization (OSS Control No. 2012-0192); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4989. A communication from the Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a foreign terrorist organization (OSS Control No. 2012-0141); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4990. A communication from the Deputy Associate Director for Management and Administration and Designated Reporting Official, Office on National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Deputy Director of National Drug Control Policy, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 7, 2012; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4991. A communication from the Clerk of Court, United States Court of Federal Claims, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Court's annual report for the year ended September 30, 2011; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4992. A communication from the Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "International Space Station: Approaches for Ensuring Utilization through 2020 Are Reasonable but Should Be Revisited as NASA Gains More Knowledge of On-Orbit Performance"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4993. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor for the Department of Legislation and Regulations, Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule

entitled “Retrospective Review under E.O. 13563: Shipping—Deletion of Obsolete Regulations” (RIN2133-AB80) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4994. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “FAA-Approved Portable Oxygen Concentrators; Technical Amendment” (RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1343)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4995. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment of VOR Federal Airways V-320 and V-440; Alaska” (RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1014)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4996. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment of Time of Designation for Restricted Areas R-5314A, B, C, D, E, F, H, and J; Dare County, NC” (RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1017)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4997. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Taking and Importing Marine Mammals: U.S. Navy Training in 12 Range Complexes and U.S. Air Force Space Vehicle and Test Flight Activities in California” (RIN0648-BB53) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 8, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4998. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment of Federal Airways; Alaska” (RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0010)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4999. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Establishment of Class D and E Airspace; Frederick, MD” (RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0455)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5000. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Establishment of Class D and E Airspace and Amendment of Class E Airspace; Brooksville, FL” (RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0578)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5001. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Establishment of Class D

and E Airspace and Amendment of Class E; Punta Gorda, FL” (RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0347)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5002. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment of Class D and E Airspace; Baltimore, MD” (RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. FAA-2010-1328)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5003. 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; Hawker Beechcraft Corporation Models 1900, 1900C, and 1900D Airplanes” (RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0014)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5004. 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; Various Aircraft Equipped with Rotax Aircraft Engines 912 A Series Engine” (RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2012-0001)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5005. 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; Continental Motors, Inc. (CMI) Reciprocating Engines” (RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1341)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5006. 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; The Boeing Company Model 767 Airplanes” (RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2009-1221)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5007. 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; Hawker Beechcraft Corporation Airplanes Equipped with a Certain Supplemental Type Certificate (SIC)” (RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1420)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5008. 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; Turbomeca Turbohaft Engines” (RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-0904)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5009. 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-2009-0948)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5010. 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; International Aero Engines Turbofan Engines” (RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2010-0494)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5011. 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; Continental Motors, Inc. (CMI) Reciprocating Engines” (RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1341)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5012. 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 (GE) GE90-110B1 and GE90-115B Turbofan Engines” (RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0278)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5013. 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; Lockheed Martin Corporation/Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company Airplanes” (RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0919)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5014. 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; The Boeing Company Airplanes” (RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-0996)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5015. 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; Enstrom Helicopter Corporation Helicopters” (RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. FAA-2011-1382)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5016. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (6); Amdt. No. 3463” (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5017. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (35); Amdt. No. 3462” (RIN2120-AA65)

received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5018. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class C Airspace; Palm Beach International Airport, FL" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2011-0527)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5019. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Olathe, KS" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2011-0748)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5020. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Show Low, AZ" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2011-1023)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5021. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Kwigillingok, AK" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2011-0881)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5022. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Kipnuk, AK" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FM-2011-0866)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5023. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Oneonta, AL" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2011-0744)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5024. 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; Pratt and Whitney Corp. (PW) JT9D-7R4H1 Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2011-0731)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5025. 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; Apical Industries, Inc., (Apical) Emergency Float Kits" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2010-1190)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5026. A communication from the Senior Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Adminis-

tration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; PIAGGIO AERO INDUSTRIES S.p.A. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2011-1040)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 9, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. KERRY, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 342. A resolution honoring the life and legacy of Laura Pollan.

S. Res. 372. A resolution recognizing the importance of the United States-Egypt relationship, and urging the Government of Egypt to protect civil liberties and cease intimidation and prosecution of civil society workers and democracy activists, and for other purposes.

## EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. KERRY for the Committee on Foreign Relations.

\*Earl W. Gast, of California, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

\*Anne Claire Richard, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Population, Refugees, and Migration).

\*Tara D. Sonenshine, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of State for Public Diplomacy.

\*Robert E. Whitehead, of Florida, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Togolese Republic.

Nominee: Robert Earl Whitehead.

Post: Lome, Togo.

(The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.)

Contributions, amount, date, and donee:

1. Self: none.

2. Spouse: none.

3. Children and Spouses: Wesley Richard Whitehead, none; Mary Ellen Whitehead—deceased.

4. Parents: Robert William Whitehead—none; Mary Ellen Whitehead—deceased.

5. Grandparents: Lloyd Alvin Whitehead—deceased; Alma Whitehead—deceased; Earl Hoover—deceased; Barbara Hattie Hoover—deceased.

6. Brothers and Spouses: N/A.

7. Sisters and Spouses: Barbara Lee Georgescu, none (divorced); Richard and Ruth Saukas, none; Nina Marie Howerton, none (divorced); Peter and Pamela Miller: Pete Miller contributed \$200 to Barack Obama 2008 campaign by Internet but did not keep any corroborating record. He thinks it was in August, 2008.

\*Larry Leon Palmer, of Georgia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Barbados, and

to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to St. Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Antigua and Barbuda, the Commonwealth of Dominica, Grenada, and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

Nominee: Larry Palmer.

Post: Barrados.

(The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.)

Contributions, Amount, Date, and Donee:

1. Self: none.

2. Spouse: Lucille Palmer: none.

3. Children and Spouses: Vincent Palmer, none; Heydi Palmer, none.

4. Parents: Rev. R.V. Palmer, Sr—deceased; Mrs. Gladys Palmer—deceased.

5. Grandparents: Augustus Young—deceased; Litha Young—deceased.

6. Brothers and Spouses: R. V. Palmer, II, none; Theresa Palmer, none; Charles Palmer, none; Mollie Palmer, none.

7. Sisters and Spouses: Miriam Golphin, none; Lewis Golphin—deceased; Seygbo Palmer (Single), none.

\*Jonathan Don Farrar, of California, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Panama.

Nominee: Jonathan Don Farrar.

Post: Panama.

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Contributions, amount, date, donee:

1. Self: none.

2. Spouse: none.

3. Children and Spouses: Melissa Lien Farrar: \$30.00, 11/06/08, "No on 8"; \$5.00, 06/28/11, "Obama for America." Jason Asher, none; Jonathan Don Farrar III, none; Leigh Castaldo, none; Nathaniel Lysle Farrar, none.

4. Parents: Joseph Don Farrar—deceased; Josephine McIntire Farrar—deceased.

Grandparents: Elizabeth McIntire—deceased; William McIntire—deceased; Lysle Farrar—deceased; Lucille Farrar—deceased.

6. Brothers and Spouses: Joseph Frank Farrar, none; Dana Farrar: \$50.00, 09/20/08, "No on 8/Equality California"; \$20.00, 09/15/09, "Equality California"; \$25.00, 05/18/10, "Equality California"; \$50.00, 09/21/08, "Obama for America"; \$35.00, 07/07/05, "California Democratic Party."

7. Sisters and Spouses: Melissa Ramierz: \$50.00, 06/17/08, "Obama for America"; \$15.00, 06/28/08, "Obama for America"; \$25.00, 09/03/08, "Obama for America"; \$25.00, 10/08/08, "Obama for America"; \$50.00, 09/02/11, "Emily's List". Fernando Ramirez, none.

\*Phyllis Marie Powers, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Republic of Nicaragua.

Nominee: Phyllis Marie Powers.

Post: Nicaragua.

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