

24 hours of the attack, when it was too late to let folks know that the Kennedy administration was not going to provide air support, and so people were slaughtered there in the Bay of Pigs. But President Kennedy did a noble thing at that point, though he'd made a huge mistake. He came on national television and said, This was my fault. And the American people loved him for his honesty in taking responsibility, and he went up in the polls.

It was Eisenhower who told the American people, We do not have any U-2 planes flying over the Soviet Union, when it turned out we did. And when he was caught, Gary Powers was shot down, he came forward and said, I'm so sorry. I should have been totally honest with the American people, and I wasn't. Eisenhower went up in the polls.

If Nixon had learned something from his 1950s episode of apologizing and going up in the American people's esteem, he would have gotten to the root of Watergate and may have been able to finish his term; but, instead, he tried to cover up.

But in this administration, Fast and Furious continues to be covered, Benghazi continues to be covered. So many things that are going on continue to be covered up. We can't get to the bottom of things, and it does not speak well nor bode well for the future of this country.

Army General Carter Ham tells the Senate Armed Services Committee some of those weapons, as well as explosives and other arms once under Qadhafi's control, have fallen into the hands of extremists in northern Mali. He says others have spread to rebel groups in Syria. The Qadhafi regime was overthrown in 2011.

Of course, General Ham doesn't go on and mention that the Qadhafi adminis-

tration fell because this administration, without the consent or advice of Congress, only the request from Organization of Islamic Council and some NATO countries, not in the U.S. interest, he goes and starts bombing so that these al Qaeda-supported rebels could take over from Qadhafi, leading to, ultimately, the death of Americans. Anyway, Ham said at the hearing on Thursday he could not discuss details in public, but he did say a U.S. Government effort to buy back portable antiaircraft weapons from Libya has had only modest success.

Well, I hope and pray that somebody who is more effective than those who've been at work for the U.S. and Libya will be able to get those weapons before more Americans die.

One other thing. The President's going to Israel, and something this administration and those advising our great President do not understand is, when you meet with terrorists, when you meet with those who support terrorism, you not only give credibility to them, you devastate the morale of those who are opposing terrorists.

So when you beg the Taliban, Please, please sit down with us and talk, no preconditions; we'll buy you an office in Qatar; we'll let your bloodthirsty thugs loose from our confinement if you'll just sit down with us, when you do that, you not only encourage the terrorists, you devastate the morale of those trying to stand against them.

It's happened in Iran, when people who were wanting a different, a more freedom-loving administration in Iran, Iranian people who liked the United States, wanted help. They got no encouragement from this administration, not even verbal encouragement that would have meant so much. No, they

were devastated as we continue to indicate, Look, you know, we can work something out, Iran.

When this administration meets with members of terrorist organizations in the White House, even though our Homeland Security Secretary was totally ignorant of what was going on as we found out in answer to my questions in our committee hearing, you devastate those in Egypt, people that we can talk to around here, and we have, who don't want these crazies in control in Egypt who hate America and want to annihilate America and Israel.

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You devastate those who want to be on our side and help us. And I talked to one just this week who said, What are you doing when you encourage or even talk to those people who hate you, who've made that very clear? You hurt the rest of us who really want a fair and open democratic form of government in Egypt.

Mr. Speaker, it is my hope and prayer that somebody who's making the decisions at the White House learns from history so we don't keep repeating it.

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

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. GOHMERT. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 51 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, March 18, 2013, at noon for morning-hour debate.

EXPENDITURE REPORTS CONCERNING OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL

Reports concerning the foreign currencies and U.S. dollars utilized for Official Foreign Travel during the fourth quarter of 2012 and the first quarter of 2013 pursuant to Public Law 95-384 are as follows:

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, DAN SCANDLING, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN FEB. 17 AND FEB. 22, 2013

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Dan Scandling	2/18	2/17	United States				9,123.00				9,123.00
	2/20	2/20	Lebanon		84.00						84.00
	2/22	2/22	Egypt		184.00						184.00
			United States								
Note—\$24 was returned to U.S. Treasury.											
Committee total					268.00		9,123.00				9,391.00

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.

² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

DAN SCANDLING, Mar. 4, 2013.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, DELEGATION TO SWITZERLAND, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JAN. 24 AND JAN. 26, 2013

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Hon. Eric Cantor	1/24	1/26	Switzerland		370.00		(9)		965.36		1,335.36
Hon. Kay Granger	1/24	1/26	Switzerland		370.00		(9)		526.33		896.33
Hon. Jeff Fortenberry	1/24	1/26	Switzerland		370.00		(9)		964.90		1,334.90
Hon. Patrick McHenry	1/24	1/26	Switzerland		370.00		(9)		1,048.04		1,418.04
Hon. Darrell Issa	1/24	1/26	Switzerland		370.00		(9)		965.36		1,335.36
Hon. Mario Diaz-Balart	1/24	1/26	Switzerland		370.00		(9)		965.36		1,335.36

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, DELEGATION TO SWITZERLAND, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JAN. 24 AND JAN. 26, 2013—
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Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Robert Karem	1/24	1/26	Switzerland		370.00		(³)		575.00		945.00
Douglas Heye	1/24	1/26	Switzerland		370.00		(³)		575.00		945.00
Committee total					2,960.00				6,585.35		9,545.35

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.

² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

³ Military air transportation.

HON. ERIC CANTOR, Feb. 25, 2013.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN OCT. 1 AND DEC. 31, 2012

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Hon. Nydia Velázquez	12/7	12/9	Bolivia		217.00		2,479.50				2,696.50
Committee total					217.00		2,479.50				2,696.50

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.

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HON. SAM GRAVES, Chairman, Feb. 26, 2013.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

711. A letter from the Associate Division Chief, Policy Division, PSHSB, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Amendment of Parts 12 and 90 of the Commission's Rules Regarding Redundancy of Communications Systems: Backup Power; Private Land Mobile Radio Services: Selection and assignment of frequencies and transition of the Upper 200 channels in the 800 MHz Band to EA licensing received February 27, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

712. A letter from the Chief of Staff, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Amendment of the Commission's Rules Concerning Commercial Radio Operators [WT Docket No.: 10-177] received February 27, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

713. A letter from the Associate Division Chief, Policy Division, PSHSB, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Review of the Emergency Alert System; Independent Spanish Broadcasters Association, the Office of Communication of the United Church of Christ, Inc., and the Minority Media and Telecommunications Council, Petition for Immediate Relief; Randy Gehman Petition for Rulemaking [EB Docket No.: 04-296] received February 27, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

714. A letter from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Special Regulations; Areas of the National Park System, Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area, Bicycle Routes [NPS-CHAT-11887; PPSECHAT00; PMPSPD1Z.YM0000] (RIN: 1024-AD94) received March 1, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

715. A letter from the Chief, Branch of Listing, Endangered Species Program, Department of the Interior, transmitting the

Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Critical Habitat for *Astragalus lentiginosus* var. *coachellae* (Coachella Valley milk-vetch) [Docket No.: FWS-R8-ES-2011-0064] (RIN: 1018-AX40) received February 28, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

716. A letter from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Special Regulation; Areas of the National Park System, National Capital Region, Demonstrations and Special Events [NPS-NCR-10414] [PPNCNAMA00, PMPSPD1Z.YM0000] (RIN: 1024-AD89) received March 1, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

717. A letter from the Chief, Branch of Listing, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Special Rule for the Polar Bear Under Section 4(d) of the Endangered Species Act [Docket No.: FWS-R7-ES-2012-0009] (RIN: 1018-AY40) received February 28, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

718. 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 2013 Season [Docket No.: FWS-R7-MB-2012-0066] (RIN: 1018-AY70) received February 28, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

719. A letter from the Chief, Branch of Listing, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Critical Habitat for Tidewater Goby [Docket No.: FWS-R8-ES-2011-0085] (RIN: 1018-AX39) received February 28, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

720. A letter from the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Adjustments to Civil Monetary Penalty Amounts [Release Nos.: 33-9387, 34-68994; IA-3557; IC-30408] received February 28, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

721. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Model Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2011-0722; Directorate Identifier 2010-NM-262-AD; Amendment 39-17260; AD 2012-23-04] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 27, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

722. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Cessna Aircraft Company Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2010-1084; Directorate Identifier 2010-CE-056-AD; Amendment 39-17257; AD 2012-23-01] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 27, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

723. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Agusta S.p.A. Helicopters [Docket No.: FAA-2012-0501; Directorate Identifier 2009-SW-083-AD; Amendment 39-17258; AD 2012-23-02] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 27, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

724. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter Deutschland GmbH Helicopters [Docket No.: FAA-2012-0500; Directorate Identifier 2010-SW-014-AD; Amendment 39-17263; AD 2012-23-07] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received February 27, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

725. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2012-0857; Directorate Identifier 2011-NM-244-AD; Amendment 39-17270; AD 2012-23-14] (RIN: 2120-AD64) received February 27, 2013, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

726. A letter from the Paralegal Specialist, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Turbomeca S.A. Turboshaft Engines [Docket No.: FAA-2008-0681; Directorate Identifier 2008-NE-13-AD; Amendment