these ships would also be playing a major part.

Now, do keep in mind that this is a very, very small part of the total number of LNG vessels that are going to be needed. It is anticipated that just to supply the necessary transport for American LNG some 225 LNG vessels would be built. We would be looking at a very small percentage of those that would be built here in the United States. Nonetheless, that would represent a major part and a major opportunity for the American shipbuilding industry.

Similarly, for the export of oil, that would similarly build ships here throughout the shipyards of the United States. Exactly how many? Well, we will have to figure that out as it goes on. If we really ramp up the amount of oil and natural gas that we export, perhaps we will build more than 50.

But it also means that the mariners will be able to work on these ships. As they work on these particular ships, the LNG and the oil tankers will be developing the skills necessary to transfer over to provide the personnel necessary for the military on the cargo ships, the roll-on and roll-offs, as well as the oil tankers that the military will need as it transports the personnel and the equipment around the world.

So this is what we are trying to do. We are trying to energize the American shipbuilding industry by requiring that a small percentage of the LNG that will be exported from the United States and the oil that will be exported will be on American-built ships with American mariners. That is our goal.

I believe that we will be able to accomplish this in the days ahead, as we move this thing through the process and get it under way. We have very strong, bipartisan support, both Democrats and Republicans supporting the bill.

We also have very strong bicameral support, with the bill being introduced

in the Senate by Senator ROGER WICKER and here in the House by myself and by Chairman DUNCAN HUNTER.

So I bring this to the attention of the Congress and the American public, that it is our goal to make it in America, that there is a better deal for America if we pass a law that requires that this strategic national asset, oil and natural gas, be on an equally strategic important asset, American ships, and that those ships be manned by American sailors and officers. That is our goal.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 8 o'clock and 9 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. SESSIONS) at 11 o'clock and 26 minutes p.m.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 5515, NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019, AND PROVIDING FOR PROCEEDINGS DURING THE PERIOD FROM MAY 25, 2018, THROUGH JUNE 4, 2018

Mr. WOODALL, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 115–702) on the resolution (H. Res. 908) providing for further consideration of the bill (H.R. 5515) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2019 for military activities of the Department

of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes, and providing for proceedings during the period from May 25, 2018, through June 4, 2018, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. STIVERS (at the request of Mr. McCarthy) for today and the balance of the week on account of his service with the Ohio Army National Guard.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported that on May 21, 2018, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills:

H.R. 3562. To amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish assistance for adaptations of residences of veterans in rehabilitation programs under chapter 31 of such title, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4009. To authorize the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution to plan, design, and construct a central parking facility on National Zoological Park property in the District of Columbia.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 28 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 23, 2018, at 10 a.m. 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 first and second quarters of 2018, pursuant to Public Law 95–384, are as follows:

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, THOMAS ANDREWS, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 3 AND APR. 8, 2018

Name of Member or employee	Date			Per diem 1		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure	Country	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²						
Thomas Andrews	4/3 4/7	4/6 4/8	Australia		1,538.00 431.00		(3) (3)				1,538.00 431.00
Committee total					1,969.00						1,969.00

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.

³ Military air transportation.

(AMENDED) REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JAN. 1 AND MAR. 31, 2018

	Date			Per diem 1		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
Name of Member or employee	Arrival	Departure	Country	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²						
Hon. Eliot Engel	2/17	2/19	Kosovo		298.10		12,829.71		* 2,807.08		15,934.89
Jason Steinbaum	2/19 2/17 2/19	2/20 2/19 2/20	Austria Kosovo Austria		158.32 298.10 158.32		6,660.11		* 469.73		628.05 6,958.21 158.32
Committee total					912.84		19,489.82		* 3,276.81		23,679.47

¹Per diem constitutes lodging and meals. ²If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended. *Indicates delegation costs.

HON, EDWARD R. ROYCE, Chairman, May 14, 2018.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

4962. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule - VSTA Records and Reports Specific International Standards Pharmacovigilance [Docket No.: APIS-2014-0063] (RIN: 0579-AE11) received May 17, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4963. A letter from the Chief Counsel, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule -Suspension of Community Eligibility (Pennsylvania: Catharine, Township of, Blair County, et al.) [Docket ID: FEMA-2018-0002] [Internal Agency Docket No.: FEMA-8527] received May 17, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868): to the Committee on Financial Services.

4964. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule - Clopyralid; Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2017-0035; FRL-9977-13] received May 17, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4965. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California; California Mobile Source Regulations [EPA-R09-OAR-2017-0620; FRL-9978-19-Region 9] received May 17, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4966. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New Jersey; Infrastructure Requirements for the 2008 Lead, 2008 Ozone, 2010 Nitrogen Dioxide, 2010 Sulfur Dioxide, 2011 Carbon Monoxide, 2006 PM10, 2012 PM2.5, 1997 Ozone, and the 1997 and 2006 PM2.5 National Ambient Air Quality Standards [EPA-R02-OAR-2016-0625; FRL-9978-24-Region 2] received May 17, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4967. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; Oregon; Regional Haze Progress Report [EPA-R10-

OAR-2017-0482; FRL-9978-16-OAR] received May 17, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868): to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4968. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule -Medical Devices; Hematology and Pathology Devices: Classification of Blood Establishment Computer Software and Accessories [Docket No.: FDA-2016-N-0406] received May 17. 2018. pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A): Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4969. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a Report to Congress on the Extension of Jackson-Vanik Waiver Authority for Turkmenistan, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 2432(d)(1): Public Law 93-618, Sec. 402(d)(1): (88 Stat. 2056) and 19 U.S.C. 2439(b); Public Law 93-618, Sec. 409(b); (88 Stat. 2064); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

 $4970.\ A$ letter from the Senior Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Department of the Treasury Acquisition Regulations; Tax Check Requirements received May 16, 2018, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Wavs and Means.

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. GOODLATTE: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 5682. A bill to provide for programs to help reduce the risk that prisoners will recidivate upon release from prison, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 115-699). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 4689. A bill to authorize early repayment of obligations to the Bureau of Reclamation within the Northport Irrigation District in the State of Nebraska (Rept. 115-700). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. SHUSTER: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. House Concurrent Resolution 113. Resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby (Rept. 115-701). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. BYRNE: Committee on Rules. H. Res. 908. A resolution providing for further consideration of the bill (H.R. 5515) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2019 for military activities of the Department of Defense

and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes, and providing for proceedings during the period from May 25, 2018, through June 4, 2018 (Rept. 115-702). 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 Mr. SMITH of Missouri (for himself, Mr. Blum, Mrs. Handel, Ms. Tenney. Mr. Mast. Mr. Barr. Mrs. Love. Mr. HURD, Mr. TAYLOR, Mr. VALADAO, Mr. BUDD, Mr. BISHOP of Michigan, and Mr. Curbelo of Florida):

H.R. 5903 A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent certain changes made by Public Law 115-97 to the child tax credit; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CHABOT (for himself, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. NAD-LER, Mr. MARINO, and Mrs. HANDEL):

H.R. 5904. A bill to amend the Sherman Act to make oil-producing and exporting cartels illegal; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WEBER of Texas (for himself, Ms. Lofgren, Mr. Smith of Texas, Mr. Lucas. Mr. Knight, HULTGREN, Mr. DUNN, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. Babin, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Hig-GINS of Louisiana, and Mrs. Lesko):

H.R. 5905. A bill to authorize basic research programs in the Department of Energy Office of Science for fiscal years 2018 and 2019; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology

By Mr. LUCAS (for himself, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. Weber of Texas, Mr. KNIGHT, Mr. DUNN, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. BABIN, Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana, and Mrs. Lesko):

H.R. 5906. A bill to amend the America COMPETES Act to establish Department of Energy policy for Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

By Mr. HULTGREN (for himself, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. LUCAS, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. KNIGHT, Mr. DUNN, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. BABIN, Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana, Mrs. LESKO, and Mr. BEN RAY LUJÁN of New Mexico):

H.R. 5907. A bill to provide directors of the National Laboratories signature authority for certain agreements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

By Ms. JUDY CHU of California (for

herself, Mr. Scott of Virginia, Ms.