

emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13664 of April 3, 2014, with respect to South Sudan, is to continue in effect beyond April 3, 2019.

The situation in and in relation to South Sudan, which has been marked by activities that threaten the peace, security, or stability of South Sudan and the surrounding region, including widespread violence and atrocities, human rights abuses, recruitment and use of child soldiers, attacks on peacekeepers, and obstruction of humanitarian operations, continues to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States. For this reason, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13664 with respect to South Sudan.

DONALD J. TRUMP.  
THE WHITE HOUSE, April 1, 2019.

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MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE  
RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2019, the Secretary of the Senate, on March 29, 2019, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker had signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 863. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the grade and pay of podiatrists of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The President pro tempore (Mr. GRASSLEY) announced that on today, April 1, 2019, he has signed the following enrolled bill, which was previously signed by the Speaker of the House:

S. 863. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the grade and pay of podiatrists of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, April 1, 2019, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 863. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the grade and pay of podiatrists of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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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-809. A communication from the Acting Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of General Curtis M. Scaparrotti, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-810. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disclosure of Financial and Other Information by FDIC-Insured State Nonmember Banks" (RIN3064-AE65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2019; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-811. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Loans in Areas Having Special Flood Hazards" (RIN3064-AE50) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2019; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-812. A communication from the General Counsel of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Loans in Areas Having Special Flood Hazards" (RIN3133-AE64) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2019; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-813. A communication from the Board of Trustees, National Railroad Retirement Investment Trust, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual management report relative to its operations and financial condition for fiscal year 2018; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-814. A communication from the Acting Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's fiscal year 2018 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act); to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-815. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; Potomac River, Montgomery County, MD" (RIN1625-AA87) (Docket No. USCG-2017-0448) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-816. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Delaware River, Philadelphia, PA" (RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2019-0122) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-817. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Delaware River, Philadelphia, PA" (RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2019-0109) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:

Special Report entitled "History, Jurisdiction, and a Summary of Activities of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources During the 115th Congress" (Rept. No. 116-25).

By Mr. ALEXANDER, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:

Special Report entitled "Report on Legislative Activities of the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions" (Rept. No. 116-26).

By Mr. ENZI, from the Committee on Budget, without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 12. An original concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2020 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2021 through 2024.

By Mr. RUBIO, from the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, without amendment:

S. 771. A bill to amend section 21 of the Small Business Act to require cyber certification for small business development center counselors, and for other purposes.

By Mr. RUBIO, from the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 772. A bill to require an annual report on the cybersecurity of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes.

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EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF  
COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. ROBERTS for the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

\*Heath P. Tarbert, of Maryland, to be Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

\*Heath P. Tarbert, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for a term expiring April 13, 2024.

\*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

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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 Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Mr. TESTER, Mr. KING, and Ms. HARRIS):

S. 961. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand eligibility for the refundable credit for coverage under a qualified health plan; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SANDERS (for himself, Ms. HARRIS, Ms. WARREN, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 962. A bill to provide funding for Federally qualified health centers and the National Health Service Corps; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. TILLIS, and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 963. A bill to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to provide for the registration of marks consisting of the flag, coat of arms, or other official insignia of the United States, any State or municipality, or any foreign nation; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. CASEY, Mr. REED, Mr. BLOMENTHAL, Ms. HASSAN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. TESTER, Mr. KAINES, Mr. KING, Ms. HARRIS, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. HIRONO, and Mr. MURPHY):

S. 964. A bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to improve cost-sharing subsidies; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. JONES (for himself and Mr. COTTON):

S. 965. A bill to provide for programs of scholarships for members of Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps units toward obtaining private pilot's licenses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. BENNET):

S. 966. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to modernize the physician self-referral prohibitions to promote care coordination in the merit-based incentive payment system and to facilitate physician practice participation in alternative payment models under the Medicare program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Ms. BALDWIN, and Mr. MERKLEY):

S. 967. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish limitations on cost-sharing for out-of-network services in the individual market, to prohibit balance billing for such services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. WARREN, and Mr. MURPHY):

S. 968. A bill to provide for institutional risk-sharing in the Federal student loan programs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. CASEY, and Mr. COONS):

S. 969. A bill to improve quality and accountability for educator preparation programs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. KING):

S. 970. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the participation of physical therapists in the National Health Service Corps Loan Repayment Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. SMITH:

S. 971. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to clarify that during a lapse in appropriations certain services relating to the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program are excepted services under the Anti-Deficiency Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 972. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to encourage retirement savings, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. SMITH:

S. 973. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to continue supplemental dental and vision benefits and long-term care insurance coverage for Federal employees affected by a Government shutdown, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Ms. HARRIS):

S. 974. A bill to modify the authorized uses of certain property conveyed by the United States in Los Angeles, California; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Ms. WARREN, Ms. SMITH, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. STABENOW, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. KAINES, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Ms. HASSAN, Ms. HARRIS, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. BENNET, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. BLOMENTHAL, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 975. A bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to provide for greater spousal protection under defined contribution plans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. ERNST, Mr. RUBIO, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. BLOMENTHAL, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. REED, Mr. WARNER, and Mrs. SHAHEEN):

S. 976. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 and the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act to combat campus sexual assault, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SCOTT of Florida (for himself and Mr. HAWLEY):

S. 977. A bill to address the high cost of prescription drugs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mrs. FISCHER):

S. Res. 133. A resolution honoring the life and legacy of Elizabeth Smith Friedman, Cryptanalyst; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. PAUL:

S. Con. Res. 11. A concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2020 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2021 through 2029; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. ENZI:

S. Con. Res. 12. An original concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2020 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2021 through 2024; from the Committee on the Budget; placed on the calendar.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 178

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 178, a bill to condemn gross human rights violations of ethnic Turkic Muslims in Xinjiang, and calling for an end to arbitrary detention, torture, and harassment of these communities inside and outside China.

S. 179

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Ms. DUCKWORTH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 179, a bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a clinical trial of the effects of cannabis on certain health outcomes of adults with chronic pain and post-traumatic stress disorder, and for other purposes.

S. 260

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. HASSAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 260, a bill to assist employers providing employment under special certificates issued under section 14(c) of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to transform their business and program models, to support individuals with disabilities to transition to competitive integrated employment, to phase out the use of such special certificates, and for other purposes.

S. 362

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 362, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform taxation of alcoholic beverages.

S. 427

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the names of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. JONES) and the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS) were added as cosponsors of S. 427, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to enhance activities of the National Institutes of Health with respect to research on autism spectrum disorder and enhance programs relating to autism, and for other purposes.

S. 433

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. YOUNG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 433, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve home health payment reforms under the Medicare program.

S. 456

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 456, a bill to provide for the adjustment of status of certain nationals of Liberia to that of lawful permanent residents, and for other purposes.

S. 518

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the names of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) and the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER) were added as cosponsors of S. 518, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for Medicare coverage of certain lymphedema compression treatment items as items of durable medical equipment.

S. 521

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 521, a bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the Government pension offset and windfall elimination provisions.

S. 546

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BLUNT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 546, a bill to extend authorization for the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund of 2001 through fiscal year 2090, and for other purposes.