

decided to use existing facilities and expertise in New Mexico to make some pits, and repurpose the MOX facility in South Carolina to make the remainder. That's a good plan and I support it. I want to hear from Administrator Gordon-Hagerty today how NNSA is applying the lessons we learned from UPF and MOX to make sure we get the pit production restart done on time and on budget.

Naval Reactors is responsible for all aspects of nuclear power for our submarines and aircraft carriers. Naval Reactors has a lot on their plate right now—they are designing a new reactor core for the next class of submarines, refueling a prototype reactor, and building a new spent fuel processing facility for nuclear waste from defense activities.

Admiral Caldwell and I had an opportunity talk about the new spent fuel processing facility earlier this week. It is a part of the Navy's consolidated interim storage for its used nuclear fuel.

The Navy's program shows that it can be done safely and effectively, but that does not replace the need for a permanent repository at Yucca Mountain. That used nuclear fuel will still need to go to Yucca Mountain once it is built. I look forward to Admiral Caldwell's comments today on the progress he's making on his important work, and particularly how Naval Reactors stores used nuclear fuel. I'd also like to hear what is being done to keep the new Columbia-Class submarine design on track.

The NNSA needs to complete a lot of important work, and this work is going to require good planning and effective oversight. I look forward to working with Administrator Gordon-Hagerty as we begin putting together our Energy and Water Appropriations bill for fiscal year 2020, and also with Senator Feinstein, who I will now recognize for her opening statement.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

RECOGNIZING THE BIG CHEESE OF MIAMI

• Mr. RUBIO. Madam President, as chairman of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, it is my privilege to recognize a small business that exemplifies creativity, hard work, and dedication to improving their community. This week, it is my honor to name The Big Cheese of Miami, FL, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

Having just celebrated their 35 year anniversary, The Big Cheese has grown from a 12-seat and 2-person operation to a landmark Miami Italian restaurant. Lifelong friends Bill Archer and Garry Duell founded The Big Cheese in 1984 and due to their rapid success, expanded to a larger location across the street. Bill is the culinary expert of the duo and has developed original recipes for all 120 items on the menu, while Garry focuses on the day-to-day operations. Along the way, they have shared in the restaurant's success.

Today, The Big Cheese remains family-oriented and affordable and uses only the finest ingredients. They have an extensive menu that includes everything from Italian favorites to Miami classics. Many of their employees have

been there since inception, and others are second-generation employees, with an average employee tenure of 16 years. Bill, Gary, and longtime manager Salvatore Aiello strive to create a welcoming and friendly atmosphere and they have certainly succeeded.

Their dedication to fair prices and made-from-scratch dishes has not gone unnoticed. They were voted The Best Inexpensive Italian Restaurant in Miami and received the 5 Kids Crown Award from South Florida Parenting Magazine for their pizza. They are proud to feed people from diverse socio-economic and cultural backgrounds and remain focused on serving their community.

One example of their efforts to help community members in need was during Hurricane Irma recovery, when they donated food to the emergency operations center in Monroe County. They are also the official sponsor of the University of Miami Athletics Department, providing both the Hurricanes and their competitors with pregame meals. Since their founding, they have served thousands of University of Miami students and collected more than 200 pieces of original memorabilia. Their dedication to the school was recently honored when they were chosen to represent the University of Miami during the Taste of the NFL, a charity aimed at bringing awareness to the millions of Americans who struggle with hunger.

The Big Cheese is an exemplary community-focused small business. They have remained true to their original values and serve their community in times of need. Like many Main Street restaurants throughout our country, The Big Cheese is a place where community members have gathered and enjoyed meals together for decades. By focusing on quality food and superior customer service, The Big Cheese has stayed in high demand. It is with great pleasure that I extend my congratulations to Bill, Gary and all of the employees at The Big Cheese. I wish you well as you continue serving the people of South Florida, and I look forward to watching your continued growth and success.●

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:02 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2030. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to execute and carry out agreements concerning Colorado River Drought Contingency Management and Operations, and for other purposes.

At 11:52 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 639. An act to amend section 327 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emer-

gency Assistance Act to clarify that National Urban Search and Rescue Response System task forces may include Federal employees.

H.R. 1331. An act to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize certain programs relating to nonpoint source management, and for other purposes.

The message also announced the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 16. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers Memorial Service and the National Honor Guard and Pipe Band Exhibition.

H. Con. Res. 19. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby.

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

At 6:34 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that Speaker has signed the following enrolled joint resolution:

S.J. Res. 7. Joint resolution to direct the removal of United States Armed Forces from hostilities in the Republic of Yemen that have not been authorized by Congress.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 639. An act to amend section 327 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to clarify that National Urban Search and Rescue Response System task forces may include Federal employees; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 1331. An act to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize certain programs relating to nonpoint source management, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

MEASURES DISCHARGED

The following bill was discharged from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and referred as indicated:

S. 846. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to limit certain rolling stock procurements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

H.R. 1585. An act to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, and for other purposes.

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-855. A communication from the Vice President, Government Relations, Tennessee Valley Authority, transmitting, pursuant to

law, the Authority's Statistical Summary for fiscal year 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-856. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Annual Report to Congress on the Open Payments Program"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-857. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Annual Report to Congress on the Medicare and Medicaid Integrity Programs Report for Fiscal Year 2017"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-858. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the implementation of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 for fiscal year 2018; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-859. 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; Corpus Christi Ship Channel, Corpus Christi, TX" (RIN1625-AA87) (Docket No. USCG-2019-0149) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-860. 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; Patuxent River, Patuxent River, MD" (RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2019-0167) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-861. 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; Cape Fear River, Wilmington, NC" (RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2018-1067) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-862. 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; Missouri River, Miles 226-360, Glasgow, MO to Kansas City, MO" (RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2019-0202) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-863. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation; Monongahela, Allegheny, and Ohio Rivers, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania" (RIN1625-AA08) (Docket No. USCG-2019-0168) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-864. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Local Regulation; Chesapeake Bay, Between Sandy Point and Kent Island, MD" (RIN1625-AA08) (Docket No. USCG-2018-1102) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-865. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, De-

partment of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; 2018 Recreational Fishing Seasons for Red Snapper in the Gulf of Mexico" (RIN0648-XG060) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-866. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic; 2018 Commercial Accountability Measure and Closure for the Other Jacks Complex" (RIN0648-XG420) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-867. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Gulf of Maine Haddock Trimester Total Allowable Catch Area Closure for the Common Pool Fishery" (RIN0648-XG318) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-868. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Commercial Aggregated Large Costal Shark and Hammerhead Shark Management Group Retention Limit Adjustment" (RIN0648-XG325) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-869. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Fisheries" (RIN0648-XG534) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-870. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Fisheries" (RIN0648-XG366) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-871. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; 2018 Commercial Accountability Measures and Closure for Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia" (RIN0648-XG435) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-872. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic; 2018 Recreational Accountability Measure and Closure for South Atlantic Golden Tilefish" (RIN0648-XG440) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-873. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fish-

eries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Alaska Plaice in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XG317) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-874. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pollock in the Bering Sea Subarea" (RIN0648-XG444) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-875. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Other Flatfish in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XG316) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-876. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XG429) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-877. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Vessels Greater Than or Equal to 50 Feet in Length Overall Using Hook-and-Line Gear in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XG394) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-878. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Trawl Catcher Vessels in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XG396) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-879. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Inseason Adjustment to the 2018 Gulf of Alaska Pollock Seasonal Apportionments" (RIN0648-XG378) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-880. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pacific Cod in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XG428) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-881. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant

to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Atka Mackerel in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area” (RIN0648-XG426) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-882. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Deep-Water Species Fishery by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in the Gulf of Alaska” (RIN0648-XG192) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-883. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “2-methyl-2-[(1-oxo-2-propenyl)amino]-1-propanesulfonic acid monosodium salt polymer with 2-propenoic acid, 2-methyl, C12-16 alkyl esters; Tolerance Exemption” (FRL No. 9988-62-OCSP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 2, 2019; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-884. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Metrafenone; Pesticide Tolerances” (FRL No. 9987-14-OCSP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 2, 2019; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-885. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Zoxamide; Pesticide Tolerances” (FRL No. 9987-27-OCSP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 2, 2019; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-886. A communication from the Director of the Issuances Staff, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Elimination of the Requirement That Livestock Carcasses Be Marked ‘U.S. Inspected and Passed’ at the Time of Inspection Within a Slaughter Establishment for Carcasses To Be Further Processed Within the Same Establishment” (RIN0583-AD68) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 4, 2019; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-887. A communication from the Secretary of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Margin Requirements for Uncleared Swaps for Swap Dealers and Major Swap Participants” (RIN3038-AE85) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-888. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “De Minimis Exception to the Swap Dealer Definition—Swaps Entered into by Insured Depository Institutions in Connection with Loans to Customers” (RIN3038-AE68) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-889. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Sustainment), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Report to Congress on

Progress Toward the Strategic Plan to Improve Capabilities of Department of Defense Training Ranges and Installations”; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-890. A communication from the Senior Official performing the duties of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of five (5) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of rear admiral (lower half) in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777, this will not cause the Department to exceed the number of frocked officers authorized; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-891. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Margin and Capital Requirements for Covered Swap Entities” (RIN3064-AF00) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 2, 2019; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-892. A communication from the Executive Director, Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of the Comptroller’s 2018 Office of Minority and Women Inclusion Annual Report to Congress; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-893. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, General Law, Ethics, and Regulation, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, five (5) reports relative to vacancies in the Department of the Treasury, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-894. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Delay of Effective Date; Regulatory Capital Rule: Implementation and Transition of the Current Expected Credit Losses Methodology for Allowances and Related Adjustments to the Regulatory Capital Rule and Conforming Amendments to Other Regulations” (RIN3064-AE74) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-895. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Air Plan Approval; ID, Kraft Pulp Mill Rule Revisions” (FRL No. 9991-71-Region 10) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 2, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-896. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Air Plan Approval; North Carolina: Readoption of Air Quality Rules and Non-Interference Demonstration for Removal of Oxygenated Gasoline Rule” (FRL No. 9991-63-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 2, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-897. 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 State Implementation Plans; Arizona: Approval and Conditional Approval of State Implementation Plan Revisions; Maricopa County Air Quality Department; Stationary Source Permits” (FRL No. 9991-53-Region 9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 2, 2019;

to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-898. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Delaware: Outer Continental Shelf Regulations; Consistency Update for Delaware” (FRL No. 9990-18-Region 3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 2, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-899. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “PA SSI Federal Plan Delegation” (FRL No. 9991-56-Region 3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 2, 2019; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-900. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, General Law, Ethics, and Regulation, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, six (6) reports relative to vacancies in the Department of the Treasury, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-901. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Announcement and Report Concerning Advance Pricing Agreements” (Announcement 2019-03) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 2, 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-902. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Treasury Decision (TD): Chapter 4 Regulations Relating to Verification and Certification Requirements for Certain Entities and Reporting by Foreign Financial Institutions” (RIN1545-BL96) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 2, 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-903. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Reportable Transactions Penalties Under Section 6707A” (RIN1545-BK62) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 2, 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-904. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Offering a Lump-Sum Payment Option to Retirees Currently Receiving Annuity Payments Under a Defined Benefit Plan” (Notice 2019-18) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 2, 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-905. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Permitted Disparity In Employer-Provided Contributions or Benefits” (Rev. Rul. 2019-06) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 2, 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-906. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Revenue Procedure 2019-15” (Rev. Proc. 2019-15) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 5, 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-907. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tax Benefit Rule and Section 164(b) (6)" (Rev. Rul. 2019-11) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 5, 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-908. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Annual Report of Interdiction of Aircraft Engaged in Illicit Drug Trafficking; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-909. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles, including technical data and defense services, to Denmark, Italy, Japan, and the Netherlands to support the design, development, and manufacture of composite components and subassemblies for the F-35 Aircraft Center Fuselage in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTG 18-001); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-910. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles, including technical data and defense services, to Australia, Italy, Japan, and the Netherlands to support the manufacture of composite components and subassemblies for the F-35 Lightning II Aircraft in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTG 17-078); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-911. A communication from the Director, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, Secretary of Labor's response to the Office of the Ombudsman's 2017 Annual Report; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-912. A communication from the Director, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bureau's fiscal year 2017 Federal Activities Inventory Reform (FAIR) Act submission of its commercial and inherently governmental activities; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-913. A communication from the Chief Judge, Superior Court of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the District of Columbia Family Court Act; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-914. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the Department of Labor's 2017 FAIR Act Inventory of Inherently Governmental Activities and Inventory of Commercial Activities; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-915. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civil Monetary Penalty Adjustments for Inflation" (RIN1601-AA80) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-916. A communication from the Chief of the Office of Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant

to law, the report of a rule entitled "Separation Distances of Ammonium Nitrate and Blasting Agents From Explosives or Blasting Agents" (RIN1140-AA27) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 5, 2019; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-917. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Mobility Division, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Parts 1 and 22 of the Commission's Rules with Regard to the Cellular Service, Including Changes in Licensing of Unserved Area, et al." ((WT Docket No. 12-40) (FCC 19-26)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 4, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-918. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, Office of General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy for the position of Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 3, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-919. A communication from the Executive Director, Office of Congressional Workplace Rights, transmitting, pursuant to Section 303(a) of the Congressional Accountability Act, a report relative to adoption of rules governing the procedures of the Office of Congressional Workplace Rights, received in the office of the President pro tempore of the Senate; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-28. A resolution adopted by the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Miami Beach, Florida, urging the United States Congress to support temporary protective status for the Venezuelan community and to support the efforts of Venezuelan interim President Juan Guaido to bring humanitarian relief to the people of Venezuela and diplomatic efforts to promote democracy in Venezuela; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

POM-29. A petition from a citizen of the State of Texas relative to constitutional conventions; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. HOEVEN, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

S. 226. A bill to clarify the rights of Indians and Indian Tribes on Indian lands under the National Labor Relations Act (Rept. No. 116-30).

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. INHOFE for the Committee on Armed Services.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Brig. Gen. Julian D. Alford and ending with Brig. Gen. Stephen D. Sklenka, which nominations were received by the Senate and ap-

peared in the Congressional Record on January 15, 2019. (minus 1 nominee: Brig. Gen. Austin E. Renforth)

*Army nomination of Gen. Stephen J. Townsend, to be General.

Army nomination of Lt. Gen. Timothy J. Kadavy, to be Lieutenant General.

Navy nomination of Rear Adm. James W. Kilby, to be Vice Admiral.

Air Force nomination of Lt. Gen. Jeffrey L. Harrigian, to be General.

*Air Force nomination of Gen. Tod D. Wolters, to be General.

Air Force nominations beginning with Brig. Gen. Christopher P. Azzano and ending with Brig. Gen. Craig D. Wills, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on April 1, 2019.

Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, for the Committee on Armed Services I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORDS on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Air Force nominations beginning with Jeremiah L. Blackburn and ending with Thomas A. Webb, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 25, 2019.

Air Force nominations beginning with La Tanya D. Austin and ending with Luis E. Millan, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 26, 2019.

Air Force nominations beginning with Michael T. Charlton and ending with Robert T. Ungerman III, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 26, 2019.

Air Force nominations beginning with Elissa R. Ballas and ending with Matthew W. Booth, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 26, 2019.

Air Force nomination of Brian C. Bane, to be Major.

Air Force nomination of Benjamin D. Ramos, to be Major.

Air Force nomination of Christopher D. Black, to be Major.

Air Force nomination of Jason A. Anthes, to be Major.

Air Force nomination of Robin N. Scott, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Air Force nomination of Matthew R. Thom, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Air Force nomination of David M. Powell, to be Major.

Air Force nomination of Ford M. Lannan, to be Major.

Air Force nomination of Luke A. Randall, to be Major.

Air Force nomination of Mark M. Kuba, to be Colonel.

Air Force nomination of Rhana S. Kurdi, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Air Force nomination of Michael D. Norton, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Air Force nomination of Jason A. Byers, to be Major.

Air Force nomination of Nathaniel C. Curley, to be Major.

Air Force nomination of Sewhan Kim, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Air Force nomination of Early Howard, Jr., to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Air Force nomination of Isaac L. Henderson, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Air Force nomination of James A. Broadie, to be Major.