

Nigeria arrested an American citizen with an American passport in Abuja on business and charged this American citizen with money laundering and tax evasion because the Government of Nigeria has a dispute with an international company, a crypto finance company called Binance.

While I was traveling to west Africa over the summer with the House Intelligence Committee, I visited Tigran in Kuje prison where I saw firsthand his deteriorating health condition.

Kuje prison, Mr. Speaker, is a tough place. It is where the Boko Haram terrorists were locked up and where there was a major Boko Haram attack and prison break. It is a tough place.

During his detainment in Nigeria, Mr. Gambaryan suffered malaria, double pneumonia, and had a herniated disc.

Mr. Speaker, Nigeria is considered a friend of the United States, yet their government's treatment of Tigran, who devoted his professional life to fighting money laundering and tax evasion as an agent of the U.S. IRS for over a decade, in my view, that treatment was unacceptable and shameful and not commiserate with a Nation that is on friendly partnership terms with our country.

It was well past time for the Nigerians to drop the trumped-up charges of tax evasion and money laundering against Tigran Gambaryan personally, which they finally did, Mr. Speaker, last month. Let me be clear: Tigran should have never been wrongfully detained by the Nigerian Government in the first place.

I thank my friends and colleagues on the House Foreign Affairs Committee, particularly Chairman MIKE MCCAUL and Representative RICH MCCORMICK who worked with me and led efforts to bring Tigran Gambaryan home to his wife and children for the holidays.

I am thrilled to report to this House floor that he is home safely with his family in Georgia, in Representative MCCORMICK's district, and he is on the road to health recovery.

Mr. Speaker, let Tigran's case be heard, and let it be a clear example to the incoming Trump administration about how not to handle an American citizen who is wrongfully detained by our allies and friends.

#### CHEVRON DEFERENCE REVERSAL

Mr. HILL. Mr. Speaker, recently, in recent months, the Federal courts have taken decisions that are rolling back what is termed the "Chevron deference." This dates back to the 1980s and the 1984 Supreme Court case that basically said that if an independent Federal agency issued a rulemaking and published it in the Federal register and put it in final form, that in effect it had the rule of law, that it was in compliance effectively with our statutes here in the House; in other words, that it is deferring to the agency that it is in compliance with the Article I power here in the House.

Recently, in recent years, several important cases of the Supreme Court are

rolling that deference of 40 years ago back.

In a post-Chevron deference world, I believe balance must be restored, primacy must be restored to the Article I powers given to this body and the Senate under the Constitution and end the activist regulatory agencies that have grown too large, too out of control, and been, in this administration, weaponized against the American people.

This Chevron reversal did not automatically turn off the power of that administrative state, and it did not instantly empower Congress to be more directive of agency and Cabinet rulemakings.

Mr. Speaker, while various interest groups must continue to bring lawsuits in this area where they believe congressional intent is not being followed, Congress must be proactive in identifying areas where we can tighten statutory language and make congressional intent crystal clear.

I believe Congress needs to look at three big areas in this post-Chevron deference universe. First, we need to strengthen the role of Congress and consider changes to the Administrative Procedures Act and the Congressional Review Act to require more collaboration between Congress and even the administration about making sure that they are clear that we have the authority to approve or disapprove regulations.

In fact, Mr. Speaker, I think it would be good if the incoming Trump administration modeled good behavior here by actually, in every Federal rulemaking that a Cabinet agency or independent agency puts forward, they say they are in compliance with the intent of Congress, that they are following the statute and the statutory intent of Congress in designing that rulemaking.

I believe agencies should do regular reviews of all of their regulations to ensure they are not outdated, they are necessary, and that they ensure that they are tailored to limit their compliance impact, cost, liability risk, and other burdens.

I would encourage the Trump administration to work with Congress to where we can have the right kind of cost-benefit analysis on evaluating the true cost, both marginal and cumulative cost, of regulatory rulemakings.

We must increase the transparency of how agency rulemakings are made. We must tailor specific statutes so that it is clear that Congress, Article I power, is in charge, our intent is clear, and that we are seeing that the Cabinet agencies and the independent agencies are following that intent.

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

#### ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 7 o'clock and 37 minutes

p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 10 a.m. for morning-hour debate.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

EC-6088. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Color Additive Certification; Increase in Fees for Certification Services [Docket No.: FDA-2022-N-1635] (RIN: 0910-AI69) received November 12, 2024, 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.

EC-6089. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the Central African Republic that was declared in Executive Order 13667 of May 12, 2014, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-6090. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a request for urgently needed emergency funding for an expeditious and meaningful Federal response to Hurricanes Helene and Milton and other natural disasters, pursuant to Public Law 118-42, Sec. 6; (138 Stat. 26) and Public Law 118-47, Sec. 6 (H. Doc. No. 118—181); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

EC-6091. A letter from the Deputy Director, Office of Offshore Regulatory Programs, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Bonding Requirements When Filing an Appeal of a Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement Civil Penalty [Docket ID: BSEE-2023-0014 EEEE500000 245E1700D2 ETISF0000.EAQ000] (RIN: 1014-AA57) received November 14, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-6092. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's notice — Medicare Program; CY 2025 Inpatient Hospital Deductible and Hospital and Extended Care Services Coinsurance Amounts [CMS-8086-N] (RIN: 0938-AV36) received November 12, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-6093. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's notice — Medicare Program; CY 2025 Part A Premiums for the Uninsured Aged and for Certain Disabled Individuals Who Have Exhausted Other Entitlement [CMS-8087-N] (RIN: 0938-AV37) received November 12, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-6094. A letter from the Federal Register Liaison, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Establishment of the Crystal Springs of Napa Valley Viticultural Area; Modification of the Calistoga Viticultural Area [Docket No.: TTB-2023-0002; T.D. TTB-197; Ref. Notice No.: 221] (RIN: 1513-AC78) received November 14, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-6095. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's notice — Medicare Program; Medicare Part B Monthly Actuarial Rates, Premium Rates, and Annual Deductible Beginning January 1, 2025 [CMS-8088-N] (RIN: 0938-AV38) received November 12, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways 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:

Ms. FOXX: Committee on Education and the Workforce. H.R. 6951. A bill to lower the cost of postsecondary education for students and families; with an amendment (Rept. 118-739). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mrs. RODGERS of Washington: Committee on Energy and Commerce. H.R. 8449. A bill to require the Secretary of Transportation to issue a rule requiring access to AM broadcast stations in motor vehicles, and for other purposes; with amendments (Rept. 118-740, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. STEIL: Committee on House Administration. H.R. 3196. A bill to provide for the appointment of the Architect of the Capitol, and for other purposes (Rept. 118-741, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Ms. FOXX: Committee on Education and the Workforce. H.R. 4507. A bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to promote transparency in health coverage and reform pharmacy benefit management services with respect to group health plans, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 118-742, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mrs. RODGERS of Washington: Committee on Energy and Commerce. H.R. 2666. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to codify value-based purchasing arrangements under the Medicaid program and reforms related to price reporting under such arrangements, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 118-743, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mrs. RODGERS of Washington: Committee on Energy and Commerce. H.R. 3293. A bill to require the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information to establish an interagency strike force to ensure that certain Federal land management agencies, including the organizational units of such agencies, prioritize the review of requests for communications use authorizations, and for other purposes (Rept. 118-744, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. SMITH of Missouri: Committee on Ways and Means. H.R. 7513. A bill to prohibit the Secretary of Health and Human Services from finalizing a proposed rule regarding minimum staffing for nursing facilities, and to establish an advisory panel on the skilled nursing facility workforce; with amendments (Rept. 118-745, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. LUCAS: Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. H.R. 7687. A bill to amend title 51, United States Code, to authorize the transfer to NASA of funds from other agencies for scientific or engineering research or education, and for other purposes (Rept. 118-746, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. WESTERMAN: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 4377. A bill to amend the Military Lands Withdrawal Act of 1999 with

respect to extensions, additions, and revisions to the Barry M. Goldwater Range in Arizona (Rept. 118-747, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. WESTERMAN: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 200. A bill to amend the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to provide that the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior are not required to reinstate consultation on a land management plan or land use plan under certain circumstances, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 118-748, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. WESTERMAN: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 1380. A bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to issue guidance on climbing management in designated wilderness areas, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 118-749, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. WESTERMAN: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 3396. A bill to require the standardization of reciprocal fire suppression cost share agreements, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 118-750, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. WESTERMAN: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 5665. A bill to require a comprehensive assessment of certain Federal trails, campsites, boat docks, and outdoor recreation facilities to determine the accessibility options for individuals with disabilities, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 118-751, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. WESTERMAN: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 6070. A bill to amend the Military Lands Withdrawal Act of 1999 to clarify the authority of Department of Defense to conduct certain military activities at the Nevada test and training range, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 118-752, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. WESTERMAN: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 8811. A bill to reauthorize the America's Conservation Enhancement Act, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 118-753, Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mrs. FISCHBACH: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 1576. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1449) to amend the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 to increase the frequency of lease sales, to require replacement sales, and for other purposes, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 9495) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to postpone tax deadlines and reimburse paid late fees for United States nationals who are unlawfully or wrongfully detained or held hostage abroad, to terminate the tax-exempt status of terrorist supporting organizations, and for other purposes (Rept. 118-754). Referred to the House Calendar.

#### DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and Homeland Security discharged from further consideration. H.R. 8449 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

#### TIME LIMITATIONS OF REFERRED BILLS

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XII, the following actions were taken by the Speaker:

H.R. 200. Referral to the Committee on Agriculture extended for a period ending not later than December 19, 2024.

H.R. 1380. Referral to the Committee on Agriculture extended for a period ending not later than December 19, 2024.

H.R. 2666. Referral to the Committee on Ways and Means extended for a period ending not later than December 19, 2024.

H.R. 3196. Referral to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure extended for a period ending not later than December 19, 2024.

H.R. 3293. Referral to the Committees on Natural Resources and Agriculture extended for a period ending not later than December 19, 2024.

H.R. 3396. Referral to the Committees on Agriculture, Armed Services, and Science, Space, and Technology for a period ending not later than December 19, 2024.

H.R. 4377. Referral to the Committee on Armed Services extended for a period ending not later than December 19, 2024.

H.R. 4507. Referral to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means extended for a period ending not later than December 19, 2024.

H.R. 5665. Referral to the Committee on Agriculture extended for a period ending not later than December 19, 2024.

H.R. 6070. Referral to the Committee on Armed Services extended for a period ending not later than December 19, 2024.

H.R. 7513. Referral to the Committee on Energy and Commerce extended for a period ending not later than December 19, 2024.

H.R. 7687. Referral to the Committee on Appropriations extended for a period ending not later than December 19, 2024.

H.R. 8811. Referral to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, Agriculture, and Energy and Commerce for a period ending not later than December 19, 2024.

#### 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 Ms. LEE of Pennsylvania (for herself and Ms. MACE):

H.R. 10151. A bill to amend title 44, United States Code, to modernize data practices to improve government, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

By Mr. EZELL (for himself and Mr. KELLY of Mississippi):

H.R. 10152. A bill to allow the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration to enter into agreements with private and commercial entities and State governments to provide certain supplies, support, and services; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

By Ms. GARCIA of Texas:

H.R. 10153. A bill to designate Regional Breast and Gynecologic Cancer Care Coordinators to expand the work of the Breast and Gynecologic Oncology System of Excellence at the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. GOTTHEIMER (for himself and Ms. MALLIOTAKIS):

H.R. 10154. A bill to amend the Voting Rights Act of 1965 to prohibit destroying or damaging ballot boxes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. GREENE of Georgia:

H.R. 10155. A bill to amend section 7504 of title 31, United States Code, to improve the single audit requirements; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

By Ms. HAGEMAN:

H.R. 10156. A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to repeal certain provisions