

what happened in Las Vegas, and we couldn't even come to that consensus.

We are open for business. If this wasn't the way today, show us the way. Tell us how we can answer Republican concerns so that we can get these weapons of war, these facilitators of mass murder, these bump stocks, off the streets.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The majority leader.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate consider the following nominations en bloc: Calendar Nos. 671 through 699 and all nominations on the Secretary's desk in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy; that the nominations be confirmed en bloc; that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate; that no further motions be in order to any of the nominations; and that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's actions.

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

The nominations considered and confirmed are as follows:

IN THE NAVY

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy Reserve to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be rear admiral

Rear Adm. (1h) Luke A. Frost

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy Reserve to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be rear admiral

Rear Adm. (1h) Dennis E. Collins

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy Reserve to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be rear admiral

Rear Adm. (1h) Gregory K. Emery

The following named officers for appointment in the United States Navy Reserve to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be rear admiral

Rear Adm. (1h) Bradley D. Dunham

Rear Adm. (1h) Scott W. Ruston

Rear Adm. (1h) Douglas W. Sasse, III

The following named officer for appointment in the Navy Reserve to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. Troy S. Pugh

The following named officers for appointment in the Navy Reserve to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. Michael L. Freidberg

Capt. Ryan K. Mahelona

The following named officer for appointment in the Navy Reserve to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. Shawn G. Denihan

The following named officer for appointment in the Navy Reserve to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. Benjamin E. Baran

The following named officer for appointment in the Navy Reserve to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. David N. Barnes

Capt. Reginald H. Hendrix

Capt. Marcus J. Lockard, Jr.

Capt. Jason M. Naidyhorski

Capt. Katie F. Sheldon

IN THE AIR FORCE

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Brig. Gen. Michael E. Conley

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. David H. Tabor

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Thomas K. Hensley

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. Tony D. Bauerfeind

IN THE ARMY

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. Sean C. Bernabe

IN THE NAVY

The following named officer for appointment as Judge Advocate General of the Navy and appointment to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601 and 8088:

To be vice admiral

Rear Adm. Christopher C. French

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be vice admiral

Rear Adm. Scott W. Pappano

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be vice admiral

Rear Adm. Jeffrey T. Anderson

The following named officer for appointment as Chief of Navy Reserve and appointment in the Navy Reserve to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of impor-

tance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601 and 8083:

To be vice admiral

Rear Adm. Nancy S. Lacore

IN THE ARMY

The following named Army National Guard of the United States officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., sections 12203 and 12211:

To be brigadier general

Col. Jorge M. Fonseca

The following named Army National Guard of the United States officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., sections 12203 and 12211:

To be major general

Brig. Gen. Nicole M. Balliet

The following named officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be brigadier general

Col. Cindy M. Saladin-Muhammed

The following named Army National Guard of the United States officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., sections 12203 and 12211:

To be major general

Brig. Gen. Thomas C. Friloux

IN THE AIR FORCE

The following named Army National Guard of the United States officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Air Force to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., sections 12203 and 12212:

To be brigadier general

Col. Gordon R. Meyer

IN THE ARMY

The following named Army National Guard of the United States officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., sections 12203 and 12211:

To be brigadier general

Col. Carrie L. Perez

The following named officers for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be brigadier general

Col. Adam K. Ake

Col. Andrew D. Cecil

Col. John M. Dunn

The following named officer for appointment as Judge Advocate General, United States Army, and appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., sections 601, 7037, and 7064:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Joseph B. Berger, III

The following named officer for appointment as Deputy Judge Advocate General, United States Army, and appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., sections 7037 and 7064:

To be major general

Brig. Gen. Robert A. Borcharding

IN THE MARINE CORPS

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Marine Corps to

the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Melvin G. Carter

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Marine Corps to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Benjamin T. Watson

NOMINATIONS PLACED ON THE SECRETARY'S DESK

IN THE AIR FORCE

PN1767 AIR FORCE nomination of Christopher J. Rollins, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 20, 2024.

PN1768 AIR FORCE nomination of Nyrree Y. Watts, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 20, 2024.

IN THE ARMY

PN1601—ARMY nominations (190) beginning ANTHONY B. ABRAHAM, and ending BRIAN K. YOUNG, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record April 9, 2024.

PN1644 ARMY nominations (9) beginning KRISTIN E. AGRESTA, and ending EMILEE C. VENN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 18, 2024.

PN1645 ARMY nominations (9) beginning BARBARA K. BUJAK, and ending JOSHUA D. WALTERS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 18, 2024.

PN1646 ARMY nominations (46) beginning LOVIE L. ABRAHAM, and ending MICHAEL T. WALKINGSTICK, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 18, 2024.

PN1647 ARMY nominations (30) beginning MARLENE ARIASREYNOSO, and ending 0002516194, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 18, 2024.

PN1713 ARMY nominations (16) beginning MICHAEL J. BROWNING, and ending 0002686492, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 7, 2024.

PN1714 ARMY nominations (85) beginning TODD M. ANTON, and ending 0002951212, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 7, 2024.

PN1720 ARMY nominations (38) beginning RYAN H. ALLRED, and ending BRANDON J. WOLF, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 7, 2024.

PN1725 ARMY nominations (135) beginning CHAD C. ADAMS, and ending 0002374957, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 7, 2024.

PN1769 ARMY nomination of Edward Y. Park, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 20, 2024.

PN1770 ARMY nomination of Bridgette R. Bell, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 20, 2024.

PN1771 ARMY nomination of Jamal D. Snell, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 20, 2024.

PN1772 ARMY nomination of Terence W. Phillips, II, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 20, 2024.

PN1773 ARMY nomination of Zachary T. Goehler, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 20, 2024.

PN1774 ARMY nomination of Keith M. Sanders, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 20, 2024.

PN1775 ARMY nomination of Chelsea M. Truax, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 20, 2024.

IN THE MARINE CORPS

PN1776 MARINE CORPS nomination of Taylor B. Evans, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 20, 2024.

PN1777 MARINE CORPS nomination of Jacob C. Pipping, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 20, 2024.

PN1778 MARINE CORPS nomination of Shawn R. Loughman, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 20, 2024.

IN THE NAVY

PN1673 NAVY nominations (13) beginning ALBERT E. ARNOLD, IV, and ending JUSTIN R. WIESEN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 30, 2024.

PN1674 NAVY nominations (13) beginning GINA M. D. BECKER, and ending ANNE L. ZACK, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 30, 2024.

PN1675 NAVY nominations (251) beginning ALLEN M. AGOR, and ending STEVEN ZIELECHOWSKI, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 30, 2024.

PN1676 NAVY nominations (4) beginning BRIAN C. EARP, and ending CHAD A. REDMER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 30, 2024.

PN1677 NAVY nominations (21) beginning TRAVIS J. ANDERSON, and ending JEREMY R. WOODY, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 30, 2024.

PN1678 NAVY nominations (12) beginning KITAN BAE, and ending DAVID T. SPALDING, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 30, 2024.

PN1679 NAVY nominations (4) beginning MATTHEW S. CUSHANICK, and ending JEFFREY R. PORTELL, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 30, 2024.

PN1680 NAVY nominations (10) beginning MATTHEW P. ALLAN, and ending CHRISTINA J. WONG, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 30, 2024.

PN1681 NAVY nominations (3) beginning ANTHONY J. FALVO, IV, and ending HAYLEY C. SIMS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 30, 2024.

PN1682 NAVY nominations (7) beginning MICHAEL A. FREAS, and ending NICHOLAS T. WALKER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 30, 2024.

PN1683 NAVY nominations (4) beginning FRANK T. BORREGO, and ending GREGORY L. TINER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 30, 2024.

PN1684 NAVY nominations 1(4) beginning KENT L. DAVIS, and ending TRAVIS L. SCOTT, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 30, 2024.

PN1685 NAVY nominations (4) beginning ZACHARY D. HARRY, and ending GREG-

ORY B. PRICE, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 30, 2024.

PN1686 NAVY nominations (6) beginning ADAM G. BORSMAN, and ending DENNIS L. RICHARDSON, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 30, 2024.

PN1687 NAVY nomination of Nathaniel D. Rightsell, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 30, 2024.

PN1688 NAVY nominations (14) beginning JUSTIN K. CONROY, and ending EMMANUEL M. THOMANN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 30, 2024.

PN1689 NAVY nominations (11) beginning JONATHAN R. ALSTON, and ending JONATHAN D. TIGHE, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 30, 2024.

PN1726 NAVY nominations (2) beginning SCOTT F. ALDRIDGE, and ending MICHAEL P. SMITH, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 7, 2024.

PN1727 NAVY nominations (11) beginning KYLE L. ANDERSON, and ending CRAIG A. ZECCHIN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 7, 2024.

PN1728 NAVY nominations (3) beginning DANIEL W. BERGER, and ending JARED M. STIMSON, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 7, 2024.

PN1729 NAVY nominations 1(4) beginning MICHAEL R. BASSO, and ending AARON D. PICKETT, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 7, 2024.

PN1730 NAVY nomination of Catherine E. Williams, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 7, 2024.

PN1731 NAVY nominations (2) beginning SUNGHWAN T. CHOE, and ending MELANIE A. DRIVER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 7, 2024.

PN1732 NAVY nominations (60) beginning WILLIAM L. ADKINS, and ending DAVID J. WILLARD, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 7, 2024.

PN1733 NAVY nominations (15) beginning ROBERT A. BOGAN, and ending ROBERT D. WOODWARD, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 7, 2024.

PN1734 NAVY nominations (6) beginning RONALD L. JAMES, and ending DANIEL J. WOODARD, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 7, 2024.

PN1735 NAVY nominations (4) beginning MICHAEL A. CHINN, and ending SHANE D. UHLIR, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 7, 2024.

PN1736 NAVY nomination of Ryan T. Bangham, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 7, 2024.

PN1737 NAVY nominations (3) beginning AARON J. BEDY, and ending NICOLAS A. MELENDEZ, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 7, 2024.

PN1738 NAVY nominations (4) beginning VINCENT DEUSANTO, JR., and ending STEFAN C. YESKO, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 7, 2024.

PN1739 NAVY nominations (2) beginning ROBERT J. FLEMING, and ending JOSEPH J. STEWART, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 7, 2024.

PN1740 NAVY nominations (2) beginning NOREEN P. KIRBY, and ending PATRICK D. TACKITT, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 7, 2024.

PN1741 NAVY nomination of Bryon M. Lee, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 7, 2024.

PN1779 NAVY nomination of Hana Lee, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 20, 2024.

PN1780 NAVY nomination of Timothy P. Fletcher, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 20, 2024.

PN1781 NAVY nominations (5) beginning MARK K. ANDERSON, and ending GERALD V. WEERS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 20, 2024.

PN1782 NAVY nominations (21) beginning ANASTASIA S. ABID, and ending ASHLEY L. WARD, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 20, 2024.

PN1783 NAVY nominations (37) beginning ADAM D. AHLSTROM, and ending JEREMIAH J. ZAMORA, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 20, 2024.

PN1795 NAVY nominations (26) beginning WARREN K. BLACKBURN, and ending JAMES L. VENCKUS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 23, 2024.

PN1796 NAVY nominations (15) beginning JOHN D. AULT, and ending TIMOTHY A. SPRINGER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 23, 2024.

PN1797 NAVY nominations (16) beginning AARON T. ALLISON, and ending KRISTIN B. WHITEHOUSE, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 23, 2024.

PN1798 NAVY nominations (22) beginning COLLEEN C. BLOSSER, and ending DAMIAN M. STORZ, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 23, 2024.

PN1799 NAVY nominations (15) beginning MICHAEL W. BLOOMROSE, and ending MATTHEW J. WOOTEN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 23, 2024.

PN1800 NAVY nominations (33) beginning GARTH W. ALDRICH, and ending EMILY L. ZYWICKE, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 23, 2024.

PN1801 NAVY nominations (23) beginning RICARDO M. ABAKAH, and ending YU ZHENG, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 23, 2024.

PN1802 NAVY nominations (77) beginning THOMAS B. ABLEMAN, and ending JERRY YUAN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 23, 2024.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to legislative session for a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

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

(At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the following statement was ordered to be printed in the RECORD.)

VOTE EXPLANATION

• Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I was necessarily absent for rollcall vote No. 198, motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Katherine E. Oler to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. Had I been present for the vote, I would have voted yea.

I was necessarily absent for rollcall vote No. 199, confirmation of the nomination of Katherine E. Oler to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. Had I been present for the vote, I would have voted yea.

I was necessarily absent for rollcall vote No. 200, on the motion to concur in the House amendments to S. 870, Fire Grants and Safety Act. Had I been present for the vote, I would have voted yea. •

RECOGNIZING THE BEREIA CITIZEN

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to the Berea Citizen, a long-standing community institution and one of only a few locally owned, operated, and printed newspapers in the entire Commonwealth. This year, I am proud to join my home State in celebrating this native Kentucky newspaper as it marks 125 years of journalistic success.

Founded in 1899, the Berea Citizen came into existence on the campus of Berea College, nestled between the foothills of the Cumberland Mountains and the Bluegrass plains. The late Berea College president William G. Frost, a renowned abolitionist and scholar, led the charge in creating the school newspaper with the mission of providing this burgeoning region with informative, balanced local news. Service soon began along the dirt road of Chestnut Street in Berea's town center, where it continued for nearly a century. The Berea Citizen maintained its ties to the college up until 1984, by then transitioning into a private, locally owned newspaper.

Since the turn of the 20th century, the Berea Citizen has remained a fixture within the Madison County community. It has continued to provide local news without interruption through some of our Nation's most turbulent times, surviving the Great Depression, two World Wars, and, most recently, a global pandemic. Through the years, the newspaper and its team have adapted to the ever-evolving landscape of news, expanding print operations to include online coverage while always remaining faithful to its Kentucky focus. Today, the Berea Citizen boasts a readership of over 10,000 Kentuckians and remains a leading voice for local news in Madison County.

As the Berea Citizen marks this impressive milestone, I would like to ex-

tend my best wishes to the reporters, editors, and staff who have made the newspaper a vital resource to Central Kentuckians. It is a privilege to congratulate the Berea Citizen on 125 years of quality journalism. I hope my Senate colleagues join me in recognizing this longstanding fixture of Madison County and its many accomplishments.

ARMS SALES NOTIFICATIONS

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act requires that Congress receive prior notification of certain proposed arms sales as defined by that statute. Upon such notification, the Congress has 30 calendar days during which the sale may be reviewed. The provision stipulates that, in the Senate, the notification of proposed sales shall be sent to the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

In keeping with the committee's intention to see that relevant information is still available to the full Senate, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD the notifications that have been received. If the cover letter references a classified annex, then such an annex is available to all Senators in the office of the Foreign Relations Committee, room SD-423.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD as follows:

DEFENSE SECURITY
COOPERATION AGENCY,
Washington, DC.

Hon. BENJAMIN L. CARDIN,
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 24-52, concerning the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of the Netherlands for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$678 million. We will issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale upon delivery of this letter to your office.

Sincerely,

MIKE MILLER
(for James A. Hursch, Director).

Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 24-52

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended

(i) Prospective Purchaser: Government of the Netherlands.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:
Major Defense Equipment * \$607 million.
Other \$71 million.
Total \$678 million.

(iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

One hundred seventy-four (174) Advanced Medium-Range Air-to-Air Missiles-Extended Range (AMRAAM-ER).

Four (4) AMRAAM-C8 guidance sections.

Non-MDE: Also included is the following non-MDE: AMRAAM containers, load trainers, control section spares and support equipment; KGV-135A cryptographic devices; Common Munition Built-in-Test (BIT)/Reprogramming Equipment (CMBRE); ADU-891