

not result in a net increase in total cost of non-MDE. The total non-MDE remains \$400 million. The total case value does not increase and remains \$900 million.

(iv) Significance: This notification is being provided because the MDE items were not enumerated in the original notification. The inclusion of this MDE represents an increase in capability over what was previously notified. The proposed articles and services will provide Sweden an additional advanced communication and cryptographic capability to address current and future requirements, reinforcing Sweden's ability to maintain regional stability and improve its security.

(v) Justification: This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by improving the security of a NATO Ally that is a force for political stability and economic progress in Europe.

(vi) Sensitivity of Technology:

The AN/ARC-201 VHF Frequency Modulation (FM) Single Channel Ground and Airborne Radio System (SINCARS) is a reliable, field-proven voice and data communication system used with the UH-60.

The EGI+429 provides GPS and INS capabilities to the aircraft. The EGI will include Selective Availability anti-spoofing Module (SAASM) security modules to be used for secure GPS Precise Positioning Service, if required.

The AN/ARC-231 RT-1808A VHF/UHF/LOS SATCOM radio is a software-definable radio for military aircraft that provides two-way, multi-mode voice and data communications.

The AN/ARC-231A is a software-definable radio for military aircraft that provides two-way, multi-mode voice and data communications.

The AN/APX-123A IFF transponder is a space diversity transponder and is installed on various military platforms. When installed in conjunction with platform antennas and the remote-control unit (or other appropriate control unit), the transponder provides identification, altitude and surveillance reporting.

The AN/PYQ-10 SKL is a ruggedized, portable, hand-held fill device, for securely receiving, storing, and transferring data between compatible cryptographic and communications equipment.

The KIV-77 IFF cryptographic appliqué provides cryptographic and time-of-day services for a Combined Interrogator/Transponder (CIT) or individual interrogator or transponder Mark XIIA (Mode 4 and Mode 5) IFF system deployed to identify cooperative, friendly systems.

The highest level of classification of defense articles, components, and services included in this potential sale is UNCLASSIFIED.

(vii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: May 22, 2025.

H.J. RES. 61

Mrs. CAPITO. Mr. President, I rise to discuss my support for H.J. Res. 61, a joint resolution of disapproval under the Congressional Review Act to repeal the Environmental Protection Agency's misguided National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants, NESHAP, for Rubber Tire Manufacturing.

On May 6, 2025, I voted in favor of this resolution of disapproval. I did so because this rule is fundamentally flawed and does not reflect the intent of section 112 of the Clean Air Act. For example, the EPA's own risk review for

the previous rubber tire NESHAP found that this new rule was unnecessary to protect public health and the environment, and the EPA was unable to quantify any public health benefits from this rule. In fact, the EPA was only able to quantify public health disbenefits from the rule.

This rule, like many other NESHAPs promulgated under the previous administration, was done to address the DC Circuit's decision in *Louisiana Environmental Action Network v. EPA*. Many of these other NESHAPs were also found to be unnecessary during the EPA's risk review. In analyzing the impacts of these other rules, the EPA was unable to quantify any associated public health benefits and concluded they could shut down facilities or impose public health disbenefits on Americans. These rules, while regulating different source categories, were promulgated under the same legal authority.

This application of section 112 of the Clean Air Act runs contrary to congressional intent. Section 112 of the Clean Air Act was enacted to protect public health and the environment. It was not enacted to promulgate costly, unnecessary regulations that do not protect public health and the environment or to write rules that have no public health benefits.

The EPA has announced it will reconsider the integrated iron and steel NESHAP, the coke ovens NESHAP, the lime manufacturing NESHAP, and many other NESHAPs promulgated under the same legal authority. I applaud EPA Administrator Zeldin for his efforts to fix these flawed rules that are inconsistent with the law, just like the NESHAP for rubber tire manufacturing.

I am proud to have supported H.J. Res. 61.

TRIBUTE TO GEORGE CASTRO

Ms. COLLINS. Mr. President. I wish to recognize George Castro on his retirement after more than 40 years working for Congress, including nearly 22 years serving as a staff member on the U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations.

George began his work on Capitol Hill in 1985, working for the Architect of the Capitol. He transitioned to the Appropriations Committee in 2003, under the leadership of then-Chairman Ted Stevens and Vice Chairman Robert Byrd. Since then, George has faithfully served the committee under nine different chairs, including the Republican leadership of Senators Ted Stevens, Thad Cochran, Richard Shelby, and now me.

Combining clerical precision, intuitive executive support, and a keen ability to form lasting professional bonds, George has helped to ensure that the wheels of the Appropriations Committee move forward in service to the American people. He has been a valued member of the Senate community and will be missed by his col-

leagues and friends as he retires to spend time with his wife Loe, his daughter Vanessa, and his grandchildren.

On behalf of the committee, I would like to thank George for his years of service. We wish him all the best in his well-deserved retirement from the Senate.

TRIBUTE TO KIRK SCHULZ

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, along with my fellow Senator from Washington, Ms. CANTWELL, I would like to talk about Dr. Kirk Schulz, a dedicated educator and champion for innovation and leader in Washington State and the Nation. We are here to commend his distinguished tenure and celebrate his leadership and legacy to higher education as president of Washington State University, WSU.

Dr. Schulz holds a Ph.D. in chemical engineering and served as a tenured professor at WSU's Gene and Linda Voiland School of Chemical Engineering and Bioengineering. During his presidency at WSU, President Schulz led the university through a global pandemic, fostered statewide partnerships, and strengthened the university's reputation as a world-class research institution.

During his 9 years as president, WSU has transformed into one of the world's top public research universities that offer exceptional research and innovation in a number of key areas and industries. The Pullman campus serves as the home and leader of agricultural research, leading innovations in food security, crop science, animal health, and public health. The model they have built in partnership with the Agricultural Research Service is critical to the agricultural economy in the Pacific Northwest.

Dr. Schulz has led WSU's Tri-Cities campus emphasis on clean energy and has made it the home to the Bioproducts, Sciences, and Engineering Laboratory with strong partnerships with the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory and the Department of Energy. These collaborations have supported Washington State in developing advancements in clean energy, hydrogen, and hydroelectric power solutions that cement the Pacific Northwest as an energy leader in the country. Central Washington is also home to world-class wine producers and the university's viticulture and enology programs. WSU's Wine Science Center is one of the most technologically advanced wine science centers in the world and represents the thriving partnership between the Pacific Northwest wine industry and WSU.

Dr. Schulz also led partnerships that allowed WSU to continue expanding access to healthcare education by preparing the next generation of physicians, nurses, and pharmacists. The institution has continued to make significant advancements in public health and medical research, with major

breakthroughs in biomedical engineering, cancer treatment, and vaccine development.

We recognize and commend Dr. Kirk Schulz's tenure as president of Washington State University and thank him for his incredible leadership and transformative impact on student success, education, and for pushing Washington State as a leader in innovation.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO LIEUTENANT COLONEL CHESTER PETTEY

• Mr. CASSIDY. Mr. President, I rise to pay tribute to retired Army Lieutenant Colonel Chester Pettey, who is celebrating his 100th birthday on June 17, 2025.

Lieutenant Colonel Pettey dedicated 26 and a half years to the U.S. Armed Forces, starting in World War II. Over the course of his service, he rose from the rank of sergeant to lieutenant colonel, an achievement that reflects both his exceptional leadership and commitment to our Nation.

Just months after joining the Army Reserves in 1943, Pettey received a letter on his 18th birthday ordering him to report to Fort Devens for training, starting what would become a long military career. From there, he served in Europe as a driver and radio operator for the commander of the 2nd Battalion in the 232nd Army Infantry Regiment, as part of the 42nd Infantry "Rainbow" Division. In this role, he helped liberate the Dachau concentration camp, freeing more than 30,000 prisoners who were suffering at the hands of the Nazis. Thanks to the efforts of Pettey, his fellow American soldiers, and allies across Europe, the Holocaust ended, and the Nazis were held accountable for their crimes.

Pettey then served during the Korean war as an officer. He taught at the Army Engineer School before becoming a member of a "special forces" team that destroyed bridges behind enemy lines in Korea. Pettey later participated in the Vietnam war and then concluded his honorable service in our military.

Lieutenant Colonel Pettey, I extend my deepest gratitude for your unwavering dedication to our Nation and the cause of liberty. Your century of life—marked by courage and service—stands as an example to all Americans. I ask us all to honor and celebrate the 100th birthday of Lieutenant Colonel Chester Pettey, a true American hero.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Hanley, one of his secretaries.

PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGES

REPORT TO ADVISE THAT HE IS EXERCISING HIS AUTHORITY TO DESIGNATE AN ACTING INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE—PM 29

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States which was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:

To the Congress of the United States:

I am hereby notifying the Congress that I intend to designate Duane Townsend (currently Special Agent in Charge, Department of Commerce, Office of the Inspector General) as Acting Inspector General of the Department of Commerce, in place of the current Acting Inspector General, Roderick Anderson. Such designation will be effective no less than 30 days from delivery of this message.

The Constitution vests "the executive Power" in the President, who has a duty to "take Care that the Laws be faithfully executed." U.S. Const., Art. II, §1, cl. 1; *id.* at §3. In exercising that power and duty, I have determined that, based on the qualities outlined in 5 U.S.C. 403(a) and the confidence I must place in my appointees, Mr. Townsend is the best available person to serve as Acting Inspector General of the Department of Commerce at this time. In my judgment, Mr. Anderson can better serve the Nation performing other duties (i.e., returning to his position as Deputy Inspector General of the Department of Commerce).

I am providing this notification as a courtesy, a show of comity and respect between the executive and legislative branches. It should not be interpreted as a concession that the Congress can limit my power to remove any officer. "Because no single person could fulfill [the President's] responsibility[ies] alone, the Framers expected that the President would rely on subordinate officers for assistance." *Seila Law LLC v. Consumer Financial Protection Bureau*, 591 U.S. 197, 203–204 (2020). And the Constitution gives the President "the authority to remove those who assist him in carrying out his duties." *Free Enterprise Fund v. Public Company Accounting Oversight Board*, 561 U.S. 477, 513–514 (2010). "Without such power, the President could not be held fully accountable for discharging his own responsibilities; the buck would stop somewhere else." *Id.* at 514.

Ultimately, I have determined that the changed priorities of my Administration (as compared to the previous one) will be better reflected with new leadership in this Office. Therefore, I am apprising you of my intention to designate Mr. Townsend as Acting Inspector General of the Department of Commerce, effective no less than 30 days from delivery of this message.

DONALD J. TRUMP.
THE WHITE HOUSE, June 4, 2025.

REPORT TO ADVISE THAT HE IS EXERCISING HIS AUTHORITY TO DESIGNATE AN ACTING INSPECTOR GENERAL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION—PM 30

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States which was referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:

To the Congress of the United States:

I am hereby notifying the Congress that I intend to designate Heidi Semann (currently Senior Special Agent with the Office of the Inspector General for the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau) as Acting Inspector General of the Department of Education, in place of the current Acting Inspector General, René Rocque. Such designation will be effective no less than 30 days from delivery of this message.

The Constitution vests "the executive Power" in the President, who has a duty to "take Care that the Laws be faithfully executed." U.S. Const., Art. II, §1, cl. 1; *id.* at §3. In exercising that power and duty, I have determined that, based on the qualities outlined in 5 U.S.C. 403(a) and the confidence I must place in my appointees, Ms. Semann is the best available person to serve as Acting Inspector General of the Department of Education at this time. In my judgment, Ms. Rocque can better serve the Nation performing other duties (i.e., returning to her position as Deputy Inspector General of the Department of Education).

I am providing this notification as a courtesy, a show of comity and respect between the executive and legislative branches. It should not be interpreted as a concession that the Congress can limit my power to remove any officer. "Because no single person could fulfill [the President's] responsibility[ies] alone, the Framers expected that the President would rely on subordinate officers for assistance." *Seila Law LLC v. Consumer Financial Protection Bureau*, 591 U.S. 197, 203–204 (2020). And the Constitution gives the President "the authority to remove those who assist him in carrying out his duties." *Free Enterprise Fund v. Public Company Accounting Oversight Board*, 561 U.S. 477, 513–514 (2010). "Without such power, the President could not be held fully accountable for discharging his own responsibilities; the buck would stop somewhere else." *Id.* at 514.

Ultimately, I have determined that the changed priorities of my Administration (as compared to the previous one) will be better reflected with new leadership in this Office. Therefore, I am apprising you of my intention to designate Ms. Semann as Acting Inspector General of the Department of Education, effective no less than 30 days from delivery of this message.

DONALD J. TRUMP.
THE WHITE HOUSE, June 4, 2025.