Robert Stanley Nichols, of Washington, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

Josette Sheeran Shiner, of Virginia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

Jeffrey A. Marcus, of Texas, to be Ambassador to Belgium. (Prior to this action, Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration.)

Rene Acosta, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

Paul Michael Warner, of Utah, to be United States Attorney for the District of Utah for the term of four years. (Reappointment) **Pages S10931–32**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Richard Eugene Hoagland, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Tajikistan.

Sandra L. Townes, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

A routine list in the Army and Navy.

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Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned under the provisions of H. Con. Res. 259, at 2:37 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Tuesday, September 2, 2003. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10932.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: on July 31, 2003, Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Robert Stanley Nichols, of Washington, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, James J. Jochum, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, and Josette Sheeran Shiner, of Virginia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

AFFORDABLE PHARMACEUTICALS ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded hearings to examine the Senate and House versions of the Greater Access to Pharmaceuticals Act, focusing on the Hatch-Waxman provisions that govern the generic drug approval process, after receiving testimony from Timothy J. Muris, Chairman, Federal Trade Commission; Sheldon T. Bradshaw, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice; Jon W. Dudas, Deputy Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property, and Deputy Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce; Daniel E. Troy, Chief Counsel, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and Robert A. Armitage, Eli Lilly and Company, Washington, D.C.