

EXPRESSING SYMPATHY FOR THE
PEOPLE OF EGYPT

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 210, which was submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 210) expressing sympathy for the people of Egypt in the aftermath of the deadly terrorist attacks on Sharm el-Sheik, Egypt, on July 23, 2005.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, this evening the Senate will agree to a resolution expressing our condolences to the people of Egypt for the deadly terrorist attacks that swept the resort of Sharm el-Sheik this past weekend.

Hundreds were injured, and probably when it is all over, more than 100 will have died after terrorists detonated four large bombs in a crowded hotel in this seaside resort.

Among the dead was an American, Kristina Miller, of Las Vegas, NV. Kristina was a daughter of Nevada and a citizen of the world. A 1996 graduate of Durango High School, Kristina was remembered by her friends as good-hearted, popular, and always adventurous.

She was in London on July 7 when the terrorists struck the mass transit system of London. She survived those attacks unscathed and decided to go to Egypt on vacation when these tragic attacks occurred at the resort she chose to go to.

Acts of terror, such as that which took her life, are a tragedy no matter where they occur, but the loss of one of our own spreads personal sadness across Nevada and the entire country. They also generate a sense of resolve and solidarity to hunt down and to bring to justice the thugs responsible for these heinous acts.

I am glad the Senate will speak with one voice in condemning these barbaric acts, and I personally extend my deepest sympathy to the victims, especially the family and friends of Kristina Miller.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 210) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 210

Whereas on July 23, 2005, terrorists struck the Red Sea resort city of Sharm el-Sheik, Egypt, detonating explosives in a crowded hotel that killed dozens of the people of Egypt and foreign tourists from around the world, including a citizen of the United States, and injured approximately 200 others;

Whereas the terrorist attacks on Sharm el-Sheik, Egypt were senseless, barbaric, and cowardly acts carried out against innocent civilians;

Whereas Egypt is a friend and ally of the United States and in the past has endured terrorism against its innocent civilians;

Whereas the people of the United States stand in solidarity with the people of Egypt in fighting terrorism;

Whereas President George W. Bush immediately condemned the terrorist attacks on Sharm el-Sheik, Egypt and extended to the people of Egypt his personal condolences and the support of the United States; and

Whereas Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice denounced the terrorist attacks on Sharm el-Sheik, Egypt and stated, "we continue, all of us in the civilized world, to face great challenges in terrorism, and we continue to be united in the view that terrorism must be confronted and that they will not succeed in destroying our way of life": Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) expresses deep sympathies and condolences to the people of Egypt and the victims and the families of the victims for the heinous terrorist attacks that occurred in Sharm el-Sheik, Egypt on July 23, 2005;

(2) condemns the barbaric and unwarranted terrorist attacks that killed and injured innocent people in Sharm el-Sheik, Egypt;

(3) expresses strong and continued solidarity with the people of Egypt and pledges to remain shoulder-to-shoulder with the people of Egypt to bring the terrorists responsible for the brutal attacks on Sharm el-Sheik, Egypt to justice; and

(4) calls upon the international community to renew and strengthen efforts to—

(A) defeat terrorists by dismantling terrorist networks and exposing the violent and nihilistic ideology of terrorism;

(B) increase international cooperation to advance personal and religious freedom, ethnic and racial tolerance, political liberty and pluralism, and economic prosperity; and

(C) combat the social injustice, oppression, poverty, and extremism that breeds sympathy for terrorism.

APPOINTMENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, upon the recommendation of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105-292, as amended by Public Law 106-55, and as further amended by Public Law 107-228, appoints the following individual to the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom: Dr. Richard D. Land of Tennessee, for a term of two years (July 25, 2005—July 24, 2007).

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, JULY 25,
2005

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until 9:45 a.m. on Tuesday, July 26. I further ask that following the prayer and the pledge, the morning hour be deemed to have expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved, and the Senate then resume consideration of S. 1042, as

under the previous order. I ask unanimous consent that there be 2 minutes of debate equally divided between the stacked votes, and that following the first vote all votes be 10 minutes, and that the filing deadline for second-degree amendments be at 11 a.m. tomorrow.

I further ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in recess from 12:30, or at the conclusion of the last vote, whichever is latest, until 2:15 to accommodate the weekly party luncheons.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, tomorrow, the Senate will resume consideration of the Defense authorization bill. Under the previous order, there will be 20 minutes of debate equally divided on the Collins and Lautenberg amendments, followed by a series of stacked votes.

We will have up to five votes beginning at approximately 10:15 a.m., and Senators should make sure they adjust their schedules accordingly.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:45 A.M.
TOMORROW

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 8:25 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, July 26, 2005, at 9:45 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate July 25, 2005:

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN
DEVELOPMENT

DARLENE F. WILLIAMS, OF TEXAS, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, VICE DENNIS C. SHEA, RESIGNED.

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION
AND DEVELOPMENT

JENNIFER L. DORN, OF NEBRASKA, TO BE UNITED STATES ALTERNATE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS, VICE ROBERT B. HOLLAND, TERM EXPIRED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

C. BOYDEN GRAY, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE EUROPEAN UNION, WITH THE RANK AND STATUS OF AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY.

RICHARD HENRY JONES, OF NEBRASKA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF CAREER MINISTER, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO ISRAEL.

FRANCIS JOSEPH RICCIARDONE, JR., OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE ARAB REPUBLIC OF EGYPT.

FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

MARTIN J. GRUENBERG, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 27, 2012. (REAPPOINTMENT)