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

● Mr. CORZINE. Mr. President, in Greek communities around the world, Oxi Day celebrates the fateful day, October 28, 1940, when Greece said "NO" to Mussolini's demand for immediate free passage of Italian army troops through Greece, and thereby changed the course of World War II. When Greece refused, Mussolini invaded, expecting no serious resistance to his much larger and better-equipped army. In fact, the outnumbered Greek forces offered such stiff resistance that Mussolini was soon thrown on the defensive and the Italians retreated into Albania. The Greeks held the Axis forces at bay for months, forcing Hitler to divert to Greece, forces that had been intended for the invasion of the Soviet Union, which in turn caused a delay in the invasion. Within months, the German armies were bogged down in the harsh winter conditions from which they were never able to recover.

In the brutal campaign that Hitler's armies waged in Greece, nearly 16,000 Greeks were killed and more than 300,000 taken prisoner, but from that campaign emerged the determined and courageous Greek resistance. In World War II, Greece and the United States were partners in the struggle against fascism as today they are partners in the effort to build a free, democratic and prosperous world.

In Greek communities everywhere, Oxi Day is a time to celebrate Greece's stunning defeat of Mussolini's armies and the Greek role in assuring the Allied victory in World War II. It is also a time to reflect on the democratic spirit that inspired that victory, a spirit Greece gave to the world more than two millennia ago. Today, I join our Greek American friends in recognizing

a momentous day in which we are reminded that tyranny will always be defeated by the enduring light of freedom. ●

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message from the President of the United States was communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate a message from the President of the United States submitting a nomination and two treaties which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nomination received today is printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 9:48 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Croatt, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 172. An act to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide for the regulation of all contact lenses as medical devices, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, with amendments:

S. 1713. An act to make amendments to the Iran Nonproliferation Act of 2000 related to International Space Station payments.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 12:08 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 1409. An act to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to provide assistance for orphans and other vulnerable children in developing countries, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bill was signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS).

At 12:29 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2967. An act to designate the Federal building located at 333 Mt. Elliott Street in Detroit, Michigan, as the "Rosa Parks Federal Building".

The message further announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 276. Concurrent resolution requesting the President to return to the House of Representatives the enrollment of H.R. 3765 so that the Clerk of the House may reenroll the bill in accordance with the action of the two Houses.

At 2:40 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by

Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3945. An act to facilitate recovery from the effects of Hurricane Katrina by providing greater flexibility for, and temporary waivers of certain requirements and fees imposed on, depository institutions, credit unions, and Federal regulatory agencies, and for other purposes.

At 6:26 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 37. An act to extend the special postage stamp for breast cancer research for 2 years.

The message also announced that the House disagree to the amendments of the Senate to the bill H.R. 3057 making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes, and agree to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses thereon; and appoints the following Members as the managers of the conference on the part of the House: Mr. KOLBE, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. KIRK, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. SHERWOOD, Mr. SWEENEY, Mr. REHBERG, Mr. CARTER, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan, Mr. ROTHMAN, Mr. FATTAH, and Mr. OBEY.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-4433. A communication from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a monthly report on the status of the Commission's licensing activities and regulatory duties for August 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4434. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Hunting: Late Seasons and Bag and Possession Limits for Certain Migratory Game Birds" (RIN1018-AT76) received on October 21, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4435. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Connecticut; VOC RACT Orders for Hitchcock Chair Co., Ltd.; Kimberly Clark Corp.; Watson Laboratories, Inc.; and Ross and Roberts, Inc." (FRL7967-2) received on October 21, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4436. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Indiana" (FRL7981-8)