

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate September 28, 2006:

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

MICHELE A. DAVIS, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY, VICE ANTONIO FRATTO.

MORRIS K. UDALL SCHOLARSHIP AND EXCELLENCE IN NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY FOUNDATION

ERIC D. EBERHARD, OF WASHINGTON, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MORRIS K. UDALL SCHOLARSHIP AND EXCELLENCE IN NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY FOUNDATION FOR A TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 6, 2012, VICE MALCOLM B. BOWEKATY, TERM EXPIRING.

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

DANA GIOIA, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE CHAIRPERSON OF THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS. (REAPPOINTMENT)

FOREIGN SERVICE

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED CAREER MEMBERS OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE FOR PROMOTION IN THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE TO THE CLASSES INDICATED:

CAREER MEMBERS OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CLASS OF CAREER MINISTER:

WILLIAM R. BROWNFIELD, OF TEXAS
KATHERINE H. CANAVAN, OF CALIFORNIA
CHRISTOPHER ROBERT HILL, OF RHODE ISLAND
CAMERON R. HUME, OF CONNECTICUT
GEORGE MCDADE STAPLES, OF KENTUCKY

CAREER MEMBERS OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR:

ELIZABETH JAMIESON AGNEW, OF VIRGINIA
EDWARD M. ALFORD, OF VIRGINIA
PETER K. AUGUSTINE, OF TEXAS
CLYDE BISHOP, OF PENNSYLVANIA
MICHELE THOREN BOND, OF NEW JERSEY
GAYLEATHA BEATRICE BROWN, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
DAVID M. BUSS, OF TEXAS
MARTHA LARZELERE CAMPBELL, OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
JUDITH ANN CHAMMAS, OF VIRGINIA
THOMAS MORE COUNTRYMAN, OF WASHINGTON
BARBARA CECELIA CUMMINGS, OF ILLINOIS
ELIZABETH LINK DIBBLE, OF VIRGINIA
ROSEMARY ANNE DICARLO, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
LARRY MILES DINGER, OF VIRGINIA
JANICE J. FEDAK, OF PENNSYLVANIA
GERALD MICHAEL FEIERSTEIN, OF VIRGINIA
JEFFREY DAVID FELTMAN, OF CALIFORNIA
ALBERTO M. FERNANDEZ, OF VIRGINIA
JUDITH G. GARBER, OF CALIFORNIA
ROBERT F. GODEC, JR., OF VIRGINIA
LLEWELLYN H. HEDGEBETH, OF CALIFORNIA
JAMES THOMAS HEG, OF WASHINGTON
PAUL WAYNE JONES, OF NEW YORK
SANDRA LYNN KAISER, OF WASHINGTON
HANS GEORG KLEMM, OF INDIANA
THOMAS CHARLES KRAJESKI, OF VIRGINIA
CHARLENE RAE LAMB, OF FLORIDA
AN THANH LE, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
JEFFREY DAVID LEVINE, OF CALIFORNIA
PATRICK JOSEPH LINEHAN, OF CONNECTICUT
MARY BLAND MARSHALL, OF VIRGINIA
TERENCE PATRICK MCCULLEY, OF OREGON
KEVIN CORT MILAS, OF CALIFORNIA
PATRICK S. MOON, OF MARYLAND
JAMES ROBERT MOORE, OF FLORIDA
DAN W. MOZENA, OF MARYLAND
ADRIENNE S. O'NEAL, OF MARYLAND
PHYLLIS MARIE POWERS, OF TEXAS
CHRISTOPHER R. RICHE, OF VIRGINIA
THOMAS BOLLING ROBERTSON, OF VIRGINIA
JOSIE SHUMAKE, OF MISSISSIPPI
MADELYN ELIZABETH SPIRNAK, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
STEVEN C. TAYLOR, OF ALASKA
LINDA THOMAS-GREENFIELD, OF LOUISIANA
THOMAS JOSEPH TIERNAN, OF ILLINOIS
MARK A. TOKOLA, OF WASHINGTON
PAUL A. TRIVELLI, OF CONNECTICUT

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED CAREER MEMBERS OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE FOR PROMOTION INTO THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, AND FOR APPOINTMENT AS CONSULAR OFFICERS AND SECRETARIES IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE, AS INDICATED: CAREER MEMBERS OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CLASS OF COUNSELOR:

CYNTHIA HELEN AKUETTEH, OF MARYLAND
RAYMOND R. BACA, OF FLORIDA
CHRISTOPHER J. BEEDE, OF VIRGINIA
JENNIFER V. BONNER, OF VIRGINIA
MICHAEL J. BOYLE, OF WYOMING
ROBERTO GONZALES BRADY, OF CALIFORNIA
ANN KATHLEEN BREITER, OF CALIFORNIA
PETER MEIER BRENNAN, OF OREGON
FLETCHER MARTIN BURTON, OF TENNESSEE
DUANE CLEMENS BUTCHER, JR., OF CALIFORNIA
LAWRENCE N. CORWIN, OF TEXAS
CHRISTOPHER RICHARD DAVIS, OF VIRGINIA

improve the scope and operation of bilateral extradition treaties in force between the United States and each EU Member State. For example, it requires replacing outdated lists of extraditable offenses included in 10 older bilateral treaties with the modern “dual criminality” approach, thereby enabling coverage of such newer offenses as money laundering. Another important provision ensures that a U.S. extradition request is not disfavored by an EU Member State that receives a competing request for the person from another Member State pursuant to the newly created European Arrest Warrant. Finally, the Extradition Agreement simplifies procedural requirements for preparing and transmitting extradition documents, easing and speeding the current process.

I recommend that the Senate give early and favorable consideration to the Agreement and bilateral instruments.

GEORGE W. BUSH,
THE WHITE HOUSE, September 28, 2006.

ORDERS FOR FRIDAY,
SEPTEMBER 29, 2006

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until 9:30 a.m. on Friday, September 29. I further ask that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved, and the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with the time equally divided between the two leaders or their designees until 10 a.m.; further, that at 10 a.m., the Senate proceed to a vote on the adoption of the conference report to accompany H.R. 5631, the Department of Defense appropriations bill.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, today we had a very busy day. We passed the Military Commissions Act, the Terrorist Tribunal Act, and also invoked cloture on the border fence bill, another very important piece of legislation. This evening, we reached agreement to consider the Department of Defense appropriations bill conference report, and tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock the Senate will vote on that conference report, and then we will resume the postclosure debate on the border fence bill.

I remind my colleagues to be prepared for a busy day tomorrow, with votes throughout the day. Given the cloture vote this evening of 71 to 28, I hope we can expedite the border fence bill and finish it at an early hour tomorrow.

This is a very important bill that focuses on border security and border security first, recognizing we have a lot

more to do in the future, but it does give us that opportunity to address the fact that we have millions of people coming across the U.S. border every year illegally, and we need to start the enforcement of that border and that border security by a physical structure, UAVs, with cameras and sensors, specifically 700 miles of fence along that border.

Following that, we will have the closure vote on the message on the Child Custody Act, a very important bill that addresses one of our major initiatives here; that is, to secure America's values and look at the issue of a young girl being taken for an abortion across State lines without parental permission. It is common sense. We passed it on the floor of the Senate not too long ago, and this is an amended version that came over from the House, and now is the time for us to pass it once again.

Beyond that, we have a number of other outstanding items that will need to be addressed before the recess. As we speak, issues surrounding our ports, again another part of that major thematic for this month of securing our homeland as we work on border security and funding the war on terror and giving our Government, our military, and our CIA the tools that we need to carry out this war on terror for our ports.

Our port security has to be addressed. It is being addressed in conference. Conferees were appointed by the House earlier tonight and that conference met tonight, so I am very hopeful that we will be able to address port security over the next 24, 36 hours.

In addition, we have nominations of the various judges that we need to consider before we leave. We have a treaty, U.S.-U.K. extradition that we need to address before we leave. There are other cleared items, including a large energy package. All of these are being held up tonight by the other side of the aisle, but I am very hopeful that we will be able to address these issues over the course of the next day or so.

If we are unable to complete all of our work tomorrow, Senators can expect a Saturday session. It is clear, as I set out really 2 weeks ago, that we have a large agenda. We are moving along very, very well, making real progress, as shown by the six votes that we had over the course of the day. But we have a lot more to do, and we will stay until we finish that work either late tomorrow or into Saturday.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M.
TOMORROW

Mr. FRIST. 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 9:42 p.m., adjourned until Friday, September 29, 2006, at 9:30 a.m.