

(b) *Form of Request.* In addition to setting forth the legal and factual bases upon which the attorney's fees and/or costs are sought, a request for attorney's fees and/or costs shall be accompanied by:

(1) accurate and contemporaneous time records;

(2) a copy of the terms of the fee agreement (if any);

(3) the attorney's customary billing rate for similar work; and

(4) an itemization of costs related to the matter in question.

§9.02 [Reserved—Ex parte Communications]

§9.03 Settlement Agreements

(a) *Application.* This Section applies to formal settlement agreements between parties under Section 414 of the Act.

(b) *Informal Resolution.* At any time before a covered employee files a complaint under Section 405, a covered employee and the employing office, on their own, may agree voluntarily and informally to resolve a dispute, so long as the resolution does not require a waiver of a covered employee's rights or the commitment by the employing office to an enforceable obligation.

(c) *Formal Settlement Agreement.* The parties may agree formally to settle all or part of a disputed matter. In that event, the agreement shall be in writing and submitted to the Executive Director for review and approval.

§9.04 Revocation, amendment or waiver of rules

(a) The Executive Director, subject to the approval of the Board, may revoke or amend these rules by publishing proposed changes in the Congressional Record and providing for a comment period of not less than 30 days. Following the comment period, any changes to the rules are final once they are published in the Congressional Record.

(b) The Board or a Hearing Officer may waive a procedural rule contained in this Part in an individual case for good cause shown if application of the rule is not required by law.

Signed at Washington, D.C., on this 13th day of November, 1995.

R. GAULL SILBERMAN,
Executive Director,
Office of Compliance.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

1695. A letter from the Director, the Office of Management and Budget, transmitting the cumulative report on rescissions and deferrals of budget authority as of November 1, 1995, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 685(e) (H. Doc. No. 104-136); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

1696. A letter from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting a report on abnormal occurrences at licensed nuclear facilities for the second quarter of calendar year 1995, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 5848; to the Committee on Commerce.

1697. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting the Department's fiscal year 1995 annual report to Congress on progress in conducting environmental remedial action at federal owned or operated facilities, pursuant to Public Law 99-499, section 120(e)(5) (100 Stat. 1669); to the Committee on Commerce.

1698. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification concerning the Department

of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance [LOA] to Israel for defense articles and services (Transmittal No. 96-14), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b); to the Committee on International Relations.

1699. A letter of the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed issuance of export license agreement for the transfer of defense articles or defense services sold commercially to Canada (Transmittal No. DTC-2-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

1700. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed issuance of export license agreement for the transfer of defense articles or defense services sold commercially to Singapore (Transmittal No. DTC-4-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

1701. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed issuance of export license agreement for the transfer of defense articles or defense services sold commercially to the United Kingdom (Transmittal No. DTC-9-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

1702. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed issuance of export license agreement for the transfer of defense articles or defense services sold commercially to the United Kingdom (Transmittal No. DTC-11-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

1703. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed issuance of export license agreement for the transfer of defense articles or defense services sold commercially to Spain (Transmittal No. DTC-12-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

1704. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed issuance of export license agreement for the transfer of defense articles or defense services sold commercially to the International Maritime Satellite Organization [INMARSAT] (Transmittal No. DTC-61-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

1705. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for production of major military equipment with Japan (Transmittal No. DTC-3-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(d); to the Committee on International Relations.

1706. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed manufacturing license agreement for production of major military equipment with the Republic of Korea (Transmittal No. DTC-7-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(d); to the Committee on International Relations.

1707. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting notification of a proposed issuance of export license Agreement for the transfer of defense articles or defense services sold commercially to Japan (Transmittal No. DTC-8-96), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(c) and (d); to the Committee of International Relations.

1708. A letter from the U.S. Agency for International Development, transmitting the Agency's financial statements on USAID's

micro and small enterprise development [MSED] program for fiscal year 1994; to the Committee on International Relations.

1709. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting OMB estimate of the amount of change in outlays or receipts, as the case may be, in each fiscal year through fiscal year 2000 resulting from passage of H.R. 402 and H.R. 716, pursuant to Public Law 101-508, section 13101(a) (104 Stat. 1338-582); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1710. A letter from the Office of Independent Counsel, transmitting the Counsel's annual report in compliance with the Inspector General Act Amendments of 1988, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) Sec. 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1711. A letter from the President and CEO, U.S. Enrichment Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's annual report in compliance with the Inspector General Act Amendments of 1988, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. app. (Insp. Gen. Act) Sec. 5(b); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

1712. A letter from the Executive Director, Office of Compliance, transmitting notice of proposed rulemaking for publication in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, pursuant to Public Law 104-1, section 303(b) (109 Stat. 28); to the Committee on House Oversight.

1713. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting a report on the national maximum speed limits, travel speeds, enforcement efforts and speed related highway statistics for fiscal year 1993, pursuant to Public Law 102-240, section 1029(e) (105 Stat. 1970); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1714. A letter from the Director, Corporate Financial Audits, General Accounting Office, transmitting a report on the 1995 fiscal year interest rate on rural telephone bank loans, pursuant to 7 U.S.C. 948(b)(3); jointly, to the Committees on Agriculture and Government Reform and Oversight.

1715. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting the Department's report entitled "Report to Congress: Expressions of Interest in Commercial Clean Technology Projects in Foreign Countries; jointly, to the Committees on Appropriations, Commerce, and Science.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. GEKAS: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 234. A bill to amend title 11 of the United States Code to make nondischargeable a debt for death or injury caused by the debtor's operation of watercraft or aircraft while intoxicated; with an amendment (Rept. 104-356). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 5 of rule X and clause 4 of rule XXII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred to as follows:

By Mr. BUNNING of Kentucky (for himself, Mr. HASTERT, Mr. ARCHER, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Mr. EWING, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. COOLEY, Mr. FOX, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Ms. DUNN of Washington, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington,