

Wednesday, March 5, 1997

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate confirmed Charlene Barshefsky as U.S. Trade Representative.
House committees ordered reported 13 sundry measures.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1935–S2004

Measures Introduced: Seventeen bills were introduced, as follows: S. 392–408. **Pages S1979–80**

Measures Reported: Reports were made as follows:
Reported on Tuesday, March 4, 1997:

S. Res. 19, expressing the sense of the Senate regarding United States opposition to the prison sentence of Tibetan ethnomusicologist Ngawang Choephel by the Government of the People's Republic of China. **Page S1979**

Measures Passed:

Trade Act Application Waiver: By 98 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 26), Senate passed S.J. Res. 5, waiving certain provisions of the Trade Act of 1974 relating to the appointment of the United States Trade Representative, after taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S1945–70**

Rejected:

Hollings Amendment No. 19, to require Congressional approval before any international trade agreement that has the effect of amending or repealing statutory law of the United States law can be implemented in the United States. (By 84 yeas to 16 nays (Vote No. 25), Senate tabled the amendment.)

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Messages from the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the notice of the continuation of the Iran emergency; referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–20).

Pages S1978–79

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 99 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 27 EX), Charlene Barshefsky, of the District of Columbia, to be United

States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador. **Pages S1970–73, S2004**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

Routine list in the Marine Corps. **Pages S2003–04**

Messages From the President: **Pages S1978–79**

Measures Placed on Calendar: **Page S1979**

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Authority for Committees: **Pages S1998–99**

Additional Statements: **Pages S1999–S2003**

Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—27) **Pages S1970, S1973**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 6:47 p.m., until 12 noon, on Thursday, March 6, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2003.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE STRUCTURE

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded hearings to review strategic planning and management of information technology at the Department of Agriculture, after receiving testimony from Richard Rominger, Deputy Secretary of Agriculture; Sally Katzen, Administrator, Office of