

## ADMINISTRATION'S BUDGET— EDUCATION AND TRAINING TAX PROVISIONS

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Held a hearing on the Education and Training Tax Provisions of the Administration's Fiscal Year 1998 Budget Proposal. Testimony was heard from Senator Coverdell; Representatives Rangel, Price of North Carolina and Etheridge; Donald C. Lubick, Acting Assistant Secretary, Tax Policy, Department of the Treasury; David A. Longanecker, Assistant Secretary, Postsecondary Education, Department of Education; and public witnesses.

## COMMITTEE BUSINESS; UNCONVENTIONAL SIGINT

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to consider pending business.

The Committee also met in executive session to hold a briefing on Unconventional SIGINT (Signal Intelligence). The Committee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D165)

H.R. 499, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service under construction at 7411 Barlite Boulevard in San Antonio, Texas, as the "Frank M. Tejada Post Office Building". Signed March 3, 1997. (P.L. 105-4)

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 1997

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Transportation, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of Transportation, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and the Judiciary, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the Department of State, 2 p.m., S-146A, Capitol.

*Committee on Armed Services,* to hold hearings on the nomination of Keith R. Hall, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Space, 10 a.m., SR-222.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs,* to hold hearings on the nominations of Yolanda Townsend Wheat, of Missouri, to be a Member of the National Credit Union Administration Board, Charles A. Gueli, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Building Sciences, and Jeffrey A.

Frankel, of California, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation,* Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space and Subcommittee on Oceans and Fisheries, to hold joint hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1998 for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Foreign Commerce, and Tourism, to hold hearings to examine product liability reform, focusing on the implementation of the General Aviation Revitalization Act, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources,* business meeting, to consider the nomination of Federico Peña, of Colorado, to be Secretary of Energy; to be followed by hearings to examine issues with regard to competitive change in the electric power industry, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to continue hearings on the proposed Public Land Management Responsibility and Accountability Restoration Act, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works,* Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for programs of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act and innovative transportation financing, technology, construction and design practices, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance,* to hold hearings on proposals to expand Individual Retirement Accounts, including S. 197, proposed Savings and Investment Incentive Act of 1997, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Subcommittee on Health Care, to resume hearings to examine the financial soundness of the Medicare system, 2 p.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations,* Subcommittee on International Operations, to hold hearings on the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 1998 for the United States Information Agency (USIA) and international broadcasting, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on the nomination of Karen Shepherd, of Utah, to be United States Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, 2 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs,* Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management and The District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine Federal tax policy for the District of Columbia, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* business meeting, to consider S. Res. 56, designating March 25, 1997 as "Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy", and pending nominations, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Labor and Human Resources,* to hold hearings to examine health care quality and consumer protection, 10 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Rules and Administration,* to hear and consider the Committee on Governmental Affairs' request for additional funding, 2:15 p.m., SR-301.

*Committee on Veterans Affairs,* to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs on the