

So, Mr. President, with regard to all four of these questions, I hope our colleagues will take great care as they vote tomorrow morning.

There is one other procedural matter unrelated to substance that I think is also curious. The resolution offered by our colleagues on the Republican side is a congressional resolution requiring a vote in the House and a signature by the President of the United States. That is curious. Why is it that this body would offer a resolution asking for an independent counsel and then put it in a form which requires a Presidential signature? I am skeptical about the motivation in that regard as well.

For all these reasons—taste, timeliness, scope, attitude, not to mention the resolution itself in the form that it

takes—I certainly hope my colleagues will vote against the very maligned, poorly worded, extraordinarily ill-timed, narrowly drawn resolution offered by our colleagues and simply join us in restating what current law already requires. It is for the Attorney General to make that determination and, if she makes it, to recognize that scope ought to be as broad as she needs to make it, even including Congress, if that may be required.

I yield the floor and I, given the resolution already adopted, call upon the Chair for the final issuance of the day.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10:30 A.M.
TOMORROW

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate stands

adjourned until 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 19, 1997.

Thereupon, at 7:05 p.m., the Senate adjourned until Wednesday, March 19, 1997, at 10:30 a.m.

CONFIRMATION

Executive nomination confirmed by the Senate March 18, 1997:

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

KEITH R. HALL, OF MARYLAND, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE.

THE ABOVE NOMINATION WAS APPROVED SUBJECT TO THE NOMINEE'S COMMITMENT TO RESPOND TO REQUESTS TO APPEAR AND TESTIFY BEFORE ANY DULY CONSTITUTED COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE.