

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 36 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, March 20, 1997, at 10 a.m.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

2326. A letter from the Acting Executive Director, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Revised Procedures for Commission Review and Approval of Applications for Contract Market Designation and of Exchange Rules Relating to Contract Terms and Conditions [17 CFR Parts 1 and 5] received March 10, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2327. A letter from the Chief, Programs and Legislation Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, transmitting notification of the Department's intent to conduct a multifunction cost comparison of the supply, maintenance, and transportation functions at Hickam Air Force Base [AFB], HI, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2304 note; to the Committee on National Security.

2328. A letter from the Chief, Programs and Legislation Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, transmitting notification of the Department's intent to conduct a cost comparison study of the cadet food services waiters and sanitation function at the U.S. Air Force Academy, CO, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2304 note; to the Committee on National Security.

2329. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting notification that the Secretary has approved the retirement of Lt. Gen. Steven L. Arnold, U.S. Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list, and certification that General Arnold has served satisfactorily on active duty in his current grade; to the Committee on National Security.

2330. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the Joint Demilitarization Technology Program, pursuant to Public Law 104-201, section 227 (110 Stat. 2460); to the Committee on National Security.

2331. A letter from the Maritime Administrator, U.S. Maritime Administration, transmitting a copy of the Voluntary Intermodal Sealift Agreement, developed in accordance with the provisions of section 708 of the Defense Production Act, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. App. 2158(f)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

2332. A letter from the Deputy Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule—Assessment of Penalties for Failure to Provide Required Information—received March 13, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

2333. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to extend the expiration dates of existing authorities and enhance U.S. participation in the energy emergency program of the International Energy Agency; to the Committee on Commerce.

2334. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program: Revisions and Additions to the Vaccine Injury Table—II [42

CFR Part 100] (RIN: 0906-AA36) received March 10, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2335. A letter from the Director, U.S. Information Agency, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the U.S. Information Agency, and for other purposes, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1110; to the Committee on International Relations.

2336. A letter from the Director, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting the Office's final rule—Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Executive Branch; Exception for Gifts from a Political Organization (RIN: 3209-AA04) received March 11, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2337. A letter from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule—Consolidation, Elimination, and Clarification of Various Regulations (Drug Enforcement Administration) [DEA Number 139F] (RIN: 1117-AA33) received March 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

2338. A letter from the Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, transmitting the Administration's status report entitled "Progress Made in Implementing Sections 6016 and 1038 of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA)," pursuant to Public Law 102-240, section 6016(e) (105 Stat. 2183); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2339. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule—Response Plans for facilities Located Seaward of the Coast Line (Minerals Management Service) (RIN: 1010-AB81) received March 13, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2340. Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the fiscal year 1996 annual report of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 214, 221(c), and 664; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

2341. A letter from the Acting Secretary of Labor, transmitting the quarterly report on the expeditious and need for worker adjustment assistance training funds under the Trade Act of 1974, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 2296(a)(2); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2342. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Low-Income Housing Tax Credit—1997 Calendar Year Resident Population Estimates [Notice 97-14] received March 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2343. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Transfers to Foreign Entities Under Section 1491 Through 1494 [Notice 97-18] received March 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2344. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Guidance for Expatriates Under sections 877, 2501, 2107 and 6039F [Notice 97-19] received March 19, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2345. A letter from the Deputy Under Secretary for International and Commercial Programs, Department of Defense, transmitting the preliminary report on the investment strategy for the Dual Use Technology Program, pursuant to Public Law 104-201,

section 203(g) (110 Stat. 2451); jointly, to the Committees on National Security and Science.

2346. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, transmitting the administration's legislative proposal regarding the allowability of executive compensation costs on covered Government contracts, pursuant to Public Law 104-201, section 809(e) (110 Stat. 2608); jointly, to the Committees on National Security and Government Reform and Oversight.

#### 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:

Mrs. MYRICK: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 100. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1122) to amend title 18, United States Code, to ban partial-birth abortions (Rept. 105-32). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. DREIER: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 101. Resolution providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 91) providing amounts for the expenses of certain committees of the House of Representatives in the 105th Congress (Rept. 105-33). Referred to the House Calendar.

#### 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 as follows:

By Mr. SPENCE (for himself and Mr. DELLUMS) (both by request):

H.R. 1119. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and for other purposes; to the Committee on National Security.

By Mr. DINGELL (for himself, Mr.

GEHARDT, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. BORSKI, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. MANTON, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. RUSH, Mr. CLEMENT, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MASCARA, Mr. BOUCHER, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Mr. PASCRELL, Ms. FURSE, Mr. DEUTSCH, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. KLINK, Mr. STUPAK, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. SAWYER, Mr. WYNN, Mr. GREEN, Ms. MCCARTHY of Missouri, Mr. CONYERS, Ms. RIVERS, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. BARRETT of Wisconsin, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. OLVER, Mr. LIPINSKI, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. GORDON, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Ms. NORTON, Mr. WISE, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. CUMMINGS, and Mr. RANGEL):

H.R. 1120. A bill to assist local governments in assessing and remediating brownfield sites, to amend the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 to encourage State voluntary response programs for remediating such sites, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.