

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 7:19 p.m., until 3 p.m., on Wednesday, June 4, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5276.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications concluded hearings to examine the management of Federal research and development investment in advanced information technologies, focusing on the President's proposed Next Generation Internet initiative and related programs to accelerate the development of a high-speed, high-quality information infrastructure in the United States, after receiving testimony from Henry C. Kelly, Acting Associate Director for Technology, Office of Science and Technology Policy; Neal F. Lane, Director, National Science Foundation; Ken Kennedy, Rice University, Houston, Texas, on behalf of the Presidential Advisory Committee on High Performance Computing and Communications, Information Technology, and the Next Generation Internet; Gwen A. Jacobs, Montana State University, Bozeman; Bonnie Neas, North Dakota State University, Fargo; Cherri Pancake, Oregon State University, Corvallis; and Douglas E. Van Houweling, Internet 2 Project, Washington, D.C.

UNIVERSAL TELEPHONE SERVICE

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications concluded hearings to examine the Federal Communications Commission implementation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, focusing on efforts to implement universal telephone service reform and FCC proposals to assess new per-minute fees on Internet service providers, after receiving testimony from Reed E. Hundt, Chairman, and Rachelle B. Chong, James H. Quello, and Susan Ness, each a Commissioner, all of the Federal Communications Commission; Jay Kitchen, Personal Communications Industry Association, Alexandria, Virginia; Roy Neel, United States Telephone Association, and Jonathan B. Sallet, MCI Communications Corporation, both of Washington, D.C.; Bob Rowe, Montana Public Service Commission, Helena, on behalf of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners; and Ronald E. Spears, Citizen Utilities Company, Stamford, Connecticut.

NOMINATION

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Robert S. LaRussa, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Import Administration.

FAST-TRACK TRADE AUTHORITY

Committee on Finance: Committee held hearings to examine whether to extend the President's fast-track negotiating authority to continue to fully participate in the World Trade Organization, receiving testimony from Charlene Barshefsky, United States Trade Representative; Duane L. Burnham, Abbott Laboratories, on behalf of the Emergency Committee for American Trade, C. Fred Bergsten, Institute for International Economics, and Richard L. Trumka, AFL-CIO, all of Washington, D.C.; and Mark Van Putten, National Wildlife Federation, Vienna, Virginia.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

U.S.-HONG KONG AGREEMENT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on the Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Hong Kong for the Surrender of Fugitive Offenders signed at Hong Kong on December 20, 1996 (Treaty Doc. 105-3), after receiving testimony from Jamison S. Borek, Deputy Legal Advisor, Department of State; and Mark M. Richard, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE GRANT PROGRAMS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring, and the District of Columbia concluded hearings to examine the merits of the Department of Commerce Advanced Technology Program and other corporate subsidies to private industry to develop civilian technologies, after receiving testimony from Mary Lowe Good, Under Secretary of Commerce for Technology; Robert M. White, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, former Under Secretary of Commerce for Technology; T.J. Rodgers, Cypress Semiconductor Corporation, San Jose, California; Tim Draper, Draper Fisher Associates, Redwood City, California; Stephen Moore, Cato Institute, Washington, D.C.; and Dwight D. Carlson, Perceptron, Ann Arbor, Michigan.