

System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-2180. A communication from the General Counsel, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act from March 1, 1996 to February 28, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2181. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Legislative Affairs, U.S. Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice of a proposed export license; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2182. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Legislative Affairs, U.S. Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, certification of a proposed export license; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2183. A communication from the Director of Administration and Management, Office of the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Revitalizing Base Closure Communities and Community Assistance—Community Redevelopment and Homeless Assistance", received on June 10, 1997; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2184. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Cooperative Threat Reduction Multi-Year Program Plan; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2185. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, three rules entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California State Implementation Plan Revision; San Diego County Air Pollution Control District; Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District", received on June 12, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2186. A communication from the Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Threatened Status for the Southern Oregon/Northern California Coast Evolutionarily Significant Unit of Coho Salmon" (RIN1018-AE28), received on June 13, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2187. A communication from the Acting Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Endangered Status for Four Plants From Vernal Pools and Mesic Areas in California" (RIN1018-AC96), received on June 13, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2188. A communication from the Acting Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Endangered Status for the Plant *Lessingia germanorum*" (RIN1018-AC96), received on June 13, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2189. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, seven rules entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plan, South

Carolina: Adoption of General Conformity Regulations", received on June 11, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2190. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), Department of the Army, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a navigation project at Cook Inlet, Alaska; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2191. A communication from the Comptroller of the Currency of the Administrator of National Banks, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for the calendar year 1996; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2192. A communication from the Secretary, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Portfolio Re-engineering Demonstration Program for fiscal years 1996 and 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2193. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Federal Energy Efficiency and Water Conservation Funding Study"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-2194. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Office of the Secretary, U.S. Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "General Provisions, Definitions: Change in Organizational Title from Field Director and Field Area to Regional Director and Region" (RIN1024-AC60), received on June 11, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-2195. A communication from the Chair, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule relative to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's program to review its filing and reporting requirements and reduce unnecessary burdens, received on June 9, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-2196. A communication from the Director of Regulations Policy Management Staff, Office of Policy Food and Drug Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of rule entitled "Neurological Devices; Effective Date of Requirement for PreMarket Approval of Cranial Electrotherapy Stimulators, received on June 11, 1997; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-2197. A communication from the Deputy Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule relative to the Corporation's regulation on Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans, received on June 10, 1997; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-2198. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "Pension Security Act of 1997"; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-2199. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report for fiscal years 1993 through 1994; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-2200. A communication from the Deputy Director, Regulations Policy Management Staff, Office of Policy Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of a rule entitled "Indirect Food Additives: Adjuvants, Production Aids, and Sanitizers", received on June 11, 1997; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-2201. A communication from the Chair of the Social Security Advisory Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the

Supplemental Security Income Program for 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2202. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury, a rule entitled "Archaeological and Ethnological Material from Peru" (RIN1515-AC17) received on June 9, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2203. A communication from the Chairman of the Prospective Payment Assessment Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Medicare and the American Health Care System"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2204. A communication from the Chair of the Physician Payment Review Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, four reports; to the Committee on Finance.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-140. A resolution adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Spring Lake Heights, County of Monmouth, New Jersey relative to the Mud Dump Site; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

POM-141. A resolution adopted by the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs relative to the Violence Against Women Act; to the Committee on Finance.

POM-142. A resolution adopted by the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs relative to the proposed Child Labor Deterrence Act; to the Committee on Finance.

POM-143. A resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Alaska; to the Committee on Armed Services.

RESOLUTION

Whereas the nation's military strategy has shifted from its focus during the Cold War on deterrence and containment to support for the nation's new policies of global leadership in preventive diplomacy and promotion of democratic values; and

Whereas our armed forces, in the face of budget and force reductions and increasingly limited resources, are now called upon to conduct operations ranging from enforcing peace to preventing conflict and providing humanitarian assistance, while at all times remaining fully trained and prepared to accomplish their ultimate mission: to fight our nation's wars and win; and

Whereas the United States Department of Defense is now conducting its quadrennial review to evaluate the roles, missions, force structure, and base structure required to meet the challenges of the changing world situation; and

Whereas Alaska's military bases offer the armed forces an unmatched military value as a global power projection platform, as well as incomparable joint training areas that combine world class airspace and air-to-surface target ranges with state-of-the-art electronic arrays and capabilities and a wide range of terrain that is similar to the terrain of many worldwide contingency operations areas; and

Whereas the State of Alaska and its citizens have always extended a warm welcome to members of the armed forces and their families and supported them with state and local programs and educational opportunities that recognize the contributions that members of the armed forces and their families have made to our nation as well as to our local communities;

Be it resolved, That the Alaska State Legislature invites the United States Department of Defense to make use of Alaska's unique