

authorizing, as appropriate, medical emergency flights or flights of aircraft carrying food, medicine, or supplies for essential humanitarian needs. Executive Order 13069 became effective at 12:01 a.m., eastern standard time, December 15, 1997.

There have been no amendments to the Regulations since my report of September 24, 1997.

3. On December 31, 1997, OFAC issued an order to the Center for Democracy in Angola ("CEDA" or "CDA") to immediately close its offices in the United States as required by Executive Order 13069. The CEDA responded that it had closed its only U.S. office, located in Washington, D.C., in compliance with Executive Order 13069.

The OFAC has worked closely with the U.S. financial and exporting communities to assure a heightened awareness of the sanctions against UNITA—through the dissemination of publications, seminars, and a variety of media, including via the Internet, Fax-on-Demand, special fliers, and computer bulletin board information initiated by OFAC and posted through the U.S. Department of Commerce and the U.S. Government Printing Office. There have been no license applications under the program since my last report.

4. The expenses incurred by the Federal Government in the 6-month period from September 26, 1997, through March 25, 1998, that are directly attributable to the exercise of powers and authorities conferred by the declaration of a national emergency with respect to UNITA are about \$80,000, most of which represent wage and salary costs for Federal personnel. Personnel costs were largely centered in the Department of the Treasury (particularly in the Office of Foreign Assets Control, the U.S. Customs Service, the Office of the Under Secretary for Enforcement, and the Office of the General Counsel) and the Department of State (particularly the Office of Southern African Affairs).

I will continue to report periodically to the Congress on significant developments, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1703(c).

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, March 23, 1998.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR DEMOCRACY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1997—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—PM 115

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

To the Congress of the United States:

As required by the provisions of section 504(h) of Public Law 98-164, as amended (22 U.S.C. 4413(i)), I transmit herewith the 14th Annual Report of the National Endowment for Democracy, which covers fiscal year 1997.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, March 23, 1998.

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-4121. A communication from the Program Manager of Pentagon Renovation, Office of the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to cost estimates; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-4122. A communication from the Architect of the Capitol, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of all expenditures from April 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-4123. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Gulf War veterans; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4124. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement (Acquisition and Technology), Office of the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule relative to restructuring costs received on February 12, 1998; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4125. A communication from the Office of Acquisition and Technology, Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Restructuring Cost Associated With Business Combinations"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4126. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement (Acquisition and Technology), Office of the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of thirty-one rules received on February 25, 1998; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4127. A communication from the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to federally funded research and development centers; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4128. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice relative to the Defense Manpower Requirements Report; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4129. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of commercial activities for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4130. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement (Acquisition and Technology), Office of the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 11, 1998; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4131. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the cumulative report on rescissions and deferrals dated March 1, 1998; referred jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975, as modified by the order of April 11, 1986, to the Committee on Appropriations, to the Committee on the Budget, to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to the Committee on Finance, to the Committee on Foreign Relations, and to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-4132. A communication from the Vice Chairman of the Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of 60 recommendations for legislative action; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-4133. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on direct spending or receipts legislations within seven days of enactment; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-4134. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 12, 1998; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-4135. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on February 25, 1998; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-4136. A communication from the Chief, Programs and Legislation Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the initiation of a multi-function cost comparison; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4137. A communication from the Acting Secretary of Veterans' Affairs, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The Servicemembers' and Veterans' Group Life Insurance Accelerated Death Benefits Act"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-4138. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to veterans, Reservists, and National Guard members; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-4139. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulations Management, Department of Veterans' Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of three rules; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-4140. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the report of the texts of international agreements, other than treaties, and background statements; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4141. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the report of the texts of international agreements, other than treaties, and background statements; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4142. A communication from the Director of the Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a Presidential Determination relative to Cambodia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4143. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Chinasat-8 satellite program; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4144. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of thirty-nine rules received on March 20, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4145. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Economic Support Funds; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4146. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the annual performance plan for fiscal year 1999; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4147. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs),

transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "International Narcotics Control Strategy"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4148. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of fifteen notices of the proposed issuances of export licenses; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4149. A communication from the Chairman of the National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to health data; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-4150. A communication from the Director of the National Science Foundation, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The National Science Foundation Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 1999 and 2000"; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-4151. A communication from the Director the National Science Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the annual performance plan for fiscal year 1999; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-4152. A communication from the Board Members of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the justification of budget estimates for fiscal year 1999; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-4153. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the annual performance plan for fiscal year 1999; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-4154. A communication from the Deputy Executive Director and Chief Operating Officer, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 11, 1998; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-4155. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Mine Safety and Health Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on February 25, 1998; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-4156. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services for Children and Families, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 17, 1998; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-4157. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 6, 1998; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-4158. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation relative to the reauthorization of the Higher Education Act of 1965; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-4159. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Prescription Drug User Fee Act of 1992; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-4160. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the National Institutes of Health Loan Repayment Program For Research Generally; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-4161. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 6, 1998; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-4162. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The Food and Drug Administration User Fee Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-4163. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of three rules; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-4164. A communication from the Acting Director of Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Office of Policy, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of eleven rules; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-4165. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Labor for Employment and Training, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of two rules; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-4166. A communication from the Deputy Associate Director for Compliance, Royalty Management Program, Minerals Management Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of the intention to make refunds of offshore lease revenues where a refund or recoupment is appropriate; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4167. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and Minerals Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 13, 1998; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4168. A communication from the Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of financial statements of the Colorado River Basin Project for fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4169. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 13, 1998; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4170. A communication from the Administrator of the Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Performance Profiles of Major Energy Producers 1996"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4171. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4172. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to advanced automotive technologies; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4173. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation relative to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4174. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation to amend the National Trails System Act; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4175. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation relative to the Keweenaw National Historical Park; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4176. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation relative to the Adams National Historical Park; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4177. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation relative to the Fort Matanzas National Monument; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4178. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation relative to the Lake Chelan National Recreation Area; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4179. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation relative to the Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4180. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation relative to the U.S. Park Police; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4181. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 16, 1998; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4182. A communication from the Director of the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of six rules; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4183. A communication from the Director of the Office of Rulemaking Coordination, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of six rules; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4184. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Trade and Development Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4185. A communication from the Marshall of the Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for the period February 15, 1997 through February 15, 1998; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4186. A communication from the Director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 10, 1998; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4187. A communication from the Secretary of the Judicial Conference of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a draft of proposed legislation relative to the conversion and extension of certain temporary judgeship positions; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4188. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of U.S. Naval Sea Cadet Corps, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report of program activities for calendar year 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4189. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the Defense Office of Hearings and Appeals Claims Appeals Board; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4190. A communication from the Chairman of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the

report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4191. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General (Office of Legislative Affairs), transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The Money Laundering Act of 1998"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4192. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of seven rules; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4193. A communication from the Commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of two rules; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4194. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4195. A communication from the Vice President and General Counsel of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4196. A communication from the Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4197. A communication from the Executive Director of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4198. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report from the Federal Open Market Committee under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4199. A communication from the Executive Director of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4200. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Management and Chief Financial Officer, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4201. A communication from the General Counsel of the National Science Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4202. A communication from the Executive Director of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4203. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4204. A communication from the Director of Selective Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4205. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4206. A communication from the Agency Freedom of Information Officer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4207. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4208. A communication from the Executive Director of the National Capital Planning Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4209. A communication from the Archivist of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the National Archives and Records Administration under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1996; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4210. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4211. A communication from the Director of the Office of Administration, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4212. A communication from the Commissioner of Social Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4213. A communication from the Chairman of the Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4214. A communication from the Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4215. A communication from the Vice President, Government Affairs, National Railroad Passenger Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4216. A communication from the Office of Communications, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4217. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. International Trade Com-

mission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4218. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4219. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4220. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Energy for Human Resources and Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4221. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4222. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4223. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Interior for the Budget and Finance, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4224. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4225. A communication from the Office of the Secretariat, U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4226. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4227. A communication from the Acting Special Counsel of the U.S. Office of Special Counsel, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4228. A communication from the Administrator of the Panama Canal Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for the period January 1 through September 30, 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4229. A communication from the Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the 1998 compensation plan; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4230. A communication from the Managing Director of the Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the 1998 compensation plan; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4231. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 19, 1998; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4232. A communication from the Deputy Director for Policy and Programs, Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on February 25, 1998; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4233. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the strategic plan for fiscal years 1998 through 2003; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4234. A communication from the Chief Counsel of the Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on February 26, 1998; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4235. A communication from the Director of the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4236. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The Financial Contract Netting Improvement Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4237. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of Thrift Supervision, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 5, 1998; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4238. A communication from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The HUD 2020 Program Repeal and Streamlining Act"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4239. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the monetary policy; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4240. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of two rules; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4241. A communication from the President and Chairman of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to tied aid credits; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4242. A communication from the President and Chairman of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4243. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of two rules; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4244. A communication from the Secretary of the Board of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of two rules; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4245. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Emergency Man-

agement Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of eighty-two rules; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4246. A communication from the Secretary of the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of five rules; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4247. A communication from the Commissioner of Social Security, transmitting, the fiscal year 1999 budget request; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4248. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 3, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4249. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The Medicare Administrative Improvement Amendments of 1998"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4250. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Development of Resource-Based Practice Expense Relative Value Units"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4251. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report regarding the administration of the Maternal and Child Health program for fiscal years 1994 and 1995; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4252. A communication from the Chair of the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Medicare Payment Policy"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4253. A communication from the Chief Counsel of the Bureau of the Public Debt, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 6, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4254. A communication from the Regulatory Policy Officer of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of two rules; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4255. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of Announcement 98:18; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4256. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of Revenue Rulings 98:10-12 and 98:15-18; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4257. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of Notices 98:17, 19-20; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4258. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of Revenue Procedures 98:24-25; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4259. A communication from the Assistant Commissioner (Examination), Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on February 25, 1998; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4260. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of three Treasury Regulations; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4261. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs Service,

Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of six rules; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4262. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator for Acquisition Policy, Office of Governmentwide Policy, U.S. General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 11, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4263. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on February 19, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4264. A communication from the Director of the U.S. Office of Government Ethics, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 13, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4265. A communication from the Executive Director of the Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind Or Severely Disabled, transmitting, pursuant to law, six additions to the procurement list received on March 10, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4266. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General for Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on February 23, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4267. A communication from the Director of the Office of Administration, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4268. A communication from the Director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, U.S. Government, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of Inspector General for fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4269. A communication from the Acting Administrator and Chief Executive Officer, Bonneville Power Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Chief Financial Officers Act for calendar year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4270. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to surplus real property; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4271. A communication from the Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to three personnel management demonstration projects; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4272. A communication from the Acting Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of General Accounting Office reports for January 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4273. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Electronic Commerce for Buyers and Sellers"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4274. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Audit of the Public Service Commission's Agency Fund for Fiscal Years 1995 and 1996"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4275. A communication from the Executive Director of the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistant Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Foreign Capital City

Governance"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4276. A communication from the Executive Director of the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistant Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "District of Columbia Medical Liability Reform"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4277. A communication from the Executive Director of the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistant Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the annual performance plan for fiscal year 1999; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4278. A communication from the Inspector General of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the annual performance plan for fiscal year 1999; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4279. A communication from the Administrator of the General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the annual performance plan for fiscal year 1998 through 2002; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4280. A communication from the Director of the U.S. Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of two reports; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4281. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4282. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Changing Federal Workplace: Employee Perspectives"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4283. A communication from the Chairman of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Government in the Sunshine Act for calendar year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4284. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Government in the Sunshine Act for calendar year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4285. A communication from the Board Members of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Government in the Sunshine Act for calendar year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4286. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-254 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4287. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-257 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4288. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-256 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4289. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-259 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4290. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Colum-

bia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-260 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4291. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-261 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4292. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-262 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4293. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-263 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4294. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-264 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4295. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-265 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4296. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-266 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4297. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-267 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4298. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-268 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4299. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-270 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4300. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-271 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4301. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-272 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4302. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-273 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4303. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-276 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4304. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-277 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4305. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-278 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4306. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-279 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4307. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-280 adopted by the Council on January 6, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4308. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-283 adopted by the Council on February 3, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4309. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-284 adopted by the Council on February 3, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4310. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-285 adopted by the Council on February 3, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4311. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-286 adopted by the Council on February 3, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4312. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-287 adopted by the Council on February 3, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4313. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-288 adopted by the Council on February 3, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4314. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-300 adopted by the Council on February 3, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4315. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-301 adopted by the Council on February 3, 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-4316. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a flood damage reduction project; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4317. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Technology), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on reimbursement of contractor environmental response action costs; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4318. A communication from the President of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation to authorize appropriations; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4319. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Impact of Increased Speed Limits in the Post-NMSL

Era"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4320. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "1997 Status of the Nation's Surface Transportation System: Condition and Performance"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4321. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the activities required by the Architectural Barriers Act; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4322. A communication from the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Nuclear Safety Research"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4323. A communication from the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 10, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4324. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of two rules; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4325. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of two rules; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4326. A communication from the Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of three rules; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4327. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the study of hazardous air pollutant emissions from electric utility steam generating units; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4328. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of two rules received on February 19, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4329. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of seven rules received on February 23, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4330. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on February 24, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4331. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of five rules received on February 25, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4332. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of four rules received on February 26, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4333. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of two rules received on March 3, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4334. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of nine rules received on March 4, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4335. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of eight rules received on March 10, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4336. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of four rules received on March 13, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4337. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of five rules received on March 16, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4338. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of three rules received on March 17, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4339. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 18, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4340. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of three rules received on March 20, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4341. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on February 26, 1998; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4342. A communication from the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation to authorize appropriations; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4343. A communication from the Associate Administrator for Procurement of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of fourteen rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4344. A communication from the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the pilot pay-for-training study; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4345. A communication from the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the FAA's acquisition management system; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4346. A communication from the Chairman of the Surface Transportation Board,

transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on February 24, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4347. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the annual performance plan for fiscal year 1999; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4348. A communication from the Vice President, Government Affairs, National Railroad Passenger Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for calendar year 1997; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4349. A communication from the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 17, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4350. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Automotive Fuel Economy Program"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4351. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of accomplishments under the Airport Improvement Program for fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4352. A communication from the Secretary of Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 10, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4353. A communication from the Secretary of Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Federal Cigarette Labeling and Advertising Act; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4354. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on received on March 17, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4355. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of two rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4356. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of two rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4357. A communication from the National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of three rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4358. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of four rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4359. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of six rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4360. A communication from the Deputy Assistant For Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of seven rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4361. A communication from the AMD—Performance Evaluation and Records

Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of forty-six rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4362. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the reports of 187 rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4363. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for calendar year 1997 of the Visiting Committee on Advance Technology (National Institute of Standards and Technology); to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4364. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on February 26, 1998; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4365. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the annual performance plan for fiscal year 1999; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4366. A communication from the Deputy Executive Director of the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on February, 23, 1998; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4367. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation to reform agricultural credit programs; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4368. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorization Amendments of 1998"; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4369. A communication from the Under Secretary of Agriculture for Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on February 18, 1998; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4370. A communication from the Secretary of the Panama Canal Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule received on March 10, 1998; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4371. A communication from the Director of Selective Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4372. A communication from the Secretary of the Navy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "U.S. Navy Submarine Solid Waste Management Plan for MARPOL Annex V Special Areas"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4373. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board for calendar year 1997; to the Committee on Armed Services.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following report of committee was submitted:

By Mr. STEVENS, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget totals from the Concurrent Resolution for Fiscal Year 1998" (Rept. No. 105-171).

By Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

H.R. 400. A bill to amend title 35, United States Code, with respect to patents, and for other purposes.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second time by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. DODD, Mr. JEFFORDS, and Mr. CHAFEE):

S. 1809. A bill to improve the performance outcomes of the child support enforcement program in order to increase the financial stability and well-being of children and families, and to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Secretary of Labor to jointly develop a National Standardized Medical Support Notice and establish a working group to eliminate existing barriers to the effective establishment and enforcement of medical child support; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROTH:

S. 1810. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on a certain anti-HIV and anti-AIDS drug; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. FAIRCLOTH:

S. 1811. A bill to prohibit the Secretary of Health and Human Services from promulgating any regulation, rule, or other order if the effect of such regulation, rule, or order is to eliminate or modify any requirement under the medicare program under title XVIII of the Social Security Act for physician supervision of anesthesia services, as such requirement was in effect on December 31, 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. THURMOND (for himself and Mr. LEVIN) (by request):

S. 1812. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 1999, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

S. 1813. A bill to authorize military construction and related activities of the Department of Defense for fiscal year 1999; to the Committee on Armed Services.

S. 1814. A bill entitled "Department of Defense Reform Act of 1998"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. SPECTER:

S. 1815. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on tebufenozide; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1816. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on halofenozide; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1817. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on modified secondary-tertiary amine phenol/formaldehyde copolymers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG:

S. 1818. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on organic luminescent pigments, dyes, and fibers for security applications; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1819. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on certain fluorozirconium compounds; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1820. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 4-Hexylresorcinol; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1821. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on polymethine sensitizing dyes for imaging applications; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SPECTER (for himself, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. WELLSTONE, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 1822. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize provision of care to veterans treated with nasopharyngeal ra-

dium irradiation; to the Committee on Veterans Affairs.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. DODD, Mr. JEFFORDS, and Mr. CHAFEE):

S. 1809. A bill to improve the performance outcomes of the child support enforcement program in order to increase the financial stability and well-being of children and families, and to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Secretary of Labor to jointly develop a National Standardized Medical Support Notice and establish a working group to eliminate existing barriers to the effective establishment and enforcement of medical child support; to the Committee on Finance.

THE CHILD SUPPORT PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 1998

Mr. ROCKEFELLER. Mr. President, I am pleased to join with my colleagues to introduce the Child Support Performance Improvement Act of 1998. I believe this legislation, with its special emphasis on the enforcement of medical child support orders, will improve the financial security and health of thousands of American children. This bill also takes careful steps to ensure that vital Federal health programs such as Medicaid and the new Children's Health Insurance Program are not misused by parents who are able but unwilling to live up to their health care responsibilities. I want to take this opportunity to share my special thanks with Senator SNOWE, who has shown a long-standing commitment to this important issue. I would also like to thank Senators KERRY, KENNEDY, DODD, JEFFORDS, and CHAFEE for their work on the issue of child support.

As a nation, our most fundamental measure of success is how effectively we provide for our children. We have a collective responsibility to ensure that our children have the financial resources they need to live happy, healthy and stable lives. At the same time, the responsibility for addressing many of children's daily needs fall squarely at the feet of their parents. In my state of West Virginia and elsewhere, too many parents neglect their financial responsibilities, maintaining that because they are no longer living in the same house as their children, they no longer have to support them. With so many parents refusing to provide their children with adequate financial support and health care, between \$15 and \$25 billion dollars in child support remains uncollected each year.

The Child Support Performance Improvement Act of 1998 takes several steps to make child support a dependable part of the continuum of private and public benefits available to American children. Since the child support enforcement system was created in 1975