

FOOTNOTES

¹If, however, the IG determines that the reported information is not properly subject to that office's jurisdiction, but that such information may be reportable pursuant to this MOU, the IG may forward the information to the DOJ in compliance with these procedures. Alternatively, the IG may transmit the information to the Agency's General Counsel for a determination of what response, if any, is required by this MOU.

²This MOU does not affect the crimes reporting obligations of any law enforcement and other non-intelligence components of a department, agency, or organization.

³When a General Counsel or IG has received information concerning alleged violations of federal law by an employee of another intelligence community agency, and those violations are not exempted under section III.E.4. hereof, the General Counsel shall notify in writing the General Counsel of the accused employee's agency. The latter General Counsel must then determine whether this MOU requires the allegations to be reported to the Department of Justice.

⁴A "serious felony offense" includes any offense listed in Section VII, hereof, violent crimes, and other offenses which, if committed in the presence of a reasonably prudent and law-abiding person, would cause that person immediately to report that conduct directly to the police. For purposes of this MOU, crimes against government property that do not exceed \$5,000 and are not part of a pattern of continuing behavior or of a criminal conspiracy shall not be considered serious felony offenses.

⁵"Exigent circumstances" are circumstances requiring prompt action by the Agency in order to protect life or substantial property interests; to apprehend or identify a fleeing offender; or to prevent the compromise, loss, concealment, destruction, or alteration of evidence of a crime.

□ 1530

The CHAIRMAN. The time of the gentleman from California (Ms. WATERS) has expired.

(On request of Mr. DICKS, and by unanimous consent, Ms. WATERS was allowed to proceed for 2 additional minutes.)

Mr. DICKS. Mr. Chairman, if the gentlewoman would yield to me, I appreciate very much the hard work that the gentleman from California has put into this, an enormous effort on her part.

I regret that, because of a technicality, the amendment will not be accepted. I guarantee the gentlewoman we will work with her to make certain that we do everything we can to come up with a strategy to be certain that the understanding that is now in place with the Attorney General is strengthened, so that, in cases where there has been illegal activity or problems, that they must be reported to the Attorney General.

I know that is the thrust of your amendment. As you know, our committee is still involved in our investigation. It may well be one of the conclusions of our investigation that we need to strengthen this area.

I pledge to the gentlewoman from California that I will work with her to get a satisfactory solution. Again, I appreciate the gentleman's endeavors and hard work here.

Ms. WATERS. Mr. Chairman, I would like to thank the gentleman from Washington (Mr. DICKS).

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Chairman, will the gentleman from California yield?

Ms. WATERS. Yes, I yield to the gentleman from Florida.

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Chairman, I echo what the ranking member has said. I think the gentleman from California is right on in an area of critical importance; there is no doubt about that.

We are in the middle of the investigation, as the gentlewoman knows. We are going to have recommendations. Certainly this is an area of concern. I do not know what those recommendations will be, but I assure the gentlewoman that her thoughts and her input on this are being accepted, listened to, and we will be considering them as we go forward with the other information we get in our investigation.

Ms. WATERS. Mr. Chairman, I would like to thank the chairman and our ranking member and say to our ranking member that I really appreciate the fact that he has at least been able to listen to some of the ideas that I have brought to that committee.

I know that the gentleman is, by far, one of the most knowledgeable in this area and that some of the things that I am raising are things that challenge conventional wisdom. But the gentleman has been very cooperative, and I appreciate it.

Mr. DICKS. Mr. Chairman, I appreciate the gentlewoman's kind remarks.

Ms. WATERS. Mr. Chairman, I ask unanimous consent to withdraw the amendment.

The CHAIRMAN. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

The CHAIRMAN. The amendment is withdrawn.

Are there further amendments to title IV?

The Clerk will designate title V.

The text of title V is as follows:

TITLE V—DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES

SEC. 501. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO ENGAGE IN COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES AS SECURITY FOR INTELLIGENCE COLLECTION ACTIVITIES.

Section 431(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended by striking out "December 31, 1998" and inserting in lieu thereof "December 31, 2001".

The CHAIRMAN. Are there amendments to title V?

Are there further amendments to the bill?

If not, the question is on the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, as modified, as amended.

The committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, as modified, as amended, was agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN. Under the rule, the Committee rises.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. NEY) having assumed the chair, Mr. THORBERRY, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill (H.R. 3694) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1999 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes, pursuant to House Resolution 420, he reported the bill back to the House with an amendment adopted by the Committee of the Whole.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the rule, the previous question is ordered.

Is a separate vote demanded on the amendment to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute adopted by the Committee of the Whole? If not, the question is on the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

The committee amendment in the nature of a substitute was agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on H.R. 3694, the bill just considered and passed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Florida?

There was no objection.

AUTHORIZING THE CLERK TO MAKE CORRECTIONS IN ENGROSSMENT OF H.R. 3694, INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1999

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that in the engrossment of the bill, H.R. 3694, the Clerk be authorized to make such technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to correct such things as spelling, punctuation, cross-referencing, and section numbering.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Florida?

There was no objection.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF FILING DEADLINE FOR H.R. 2431, FREEDOM FROM RELIGIOUS PERSECUTION ACT

(Mr. GOSS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the gentleman from Florida is recognized for one minute.

There was no objection.

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, I take this time for the purpose of making an announcement.

Mr. Speaker, the Committee on Rules is planning to meet during the week of May 11 to grant a rule which may restrict amendments for consideration of H.R. 2431, the Freedom from Religious Persecution Act.

Any Member contemplating an amendment should submit 55 copies of the amendment and a brief explanation to the Committee on Rules at H-312 of the Capitol no later than 5 p.m. Tuesday, May 12.

Amendments should be drafted to the text of the H.R. 3806, a new bill introduced today, which consists of H.R.