

J.B. Penn, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Harvey Pitt, of North Carolina, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 5, 2002.

Harvey Pitt, of North Carolina, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission for a term expiring June 5, 2007. (Reappointment)

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Dan R. Brouillette, of Louisiana, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs).

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Josefina Carbonell, of Florida, to be Assistant Secretary for Aging, Department of Health and Human Services.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Sue McCourt Cobb, of Florida, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Jamaica.

Mercer Reynolds, of Ohio, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Switzerland, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Principality of Liechtenstein.

Russell F. Freeman, of North Dakota, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Belize.

Michael E. Guest, of South Carolina, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Romania.

Stuart A. Bernstein, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Denmark.

Charles A. Heimbold, Jr., of Connecticut, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Sweden.

Jim Nicholson, of Colorado, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary United States of America to the Holy See.

Thomas J. Miller, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Greece.

Larry C. Napper, of Texas, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Thomas C. Hubbard, of Tennessee, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary United States of America to the Republic of Korea.

Marie T. Huhtala, of California, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary United States of America to Malaysia.

Franklin L. Lavin, of Ohio, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary United States of America to the Republic of Singapore.

Roger Francisco Noriega, of Kansas, to be Permanent Representatives of the United States of America to the Organization of American States, with the rank of Ambassador.

Clark Kent Ervin, of Texas, to be Inspector General, Department of State.

NOMINATION OF JOHN WALTERS TO BE THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY

Mr. McCAIN. Mr. President, I want to turn to the nomination of John Walters, the President's choice for drug czar, who also deserves a confirmation hearing so he can offer his views on how to reduce drug abuse in our nation.

With all the damage drugs are doing to our children and to adult Americans, why in the world is the Senate dragging its feet on even having a confirmation hearing for our nation's highest ranking drug policy official?

John is uniquely qualified for the job of drug czar.

He distinguished himself during the first Bush administration as Deputy Director for Supply Reduction, Chief of Staff and National Security Director, and Acting Director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy. During the administration of President Reagan, John served as Chief of Staff and Counselor to the Secretary of Education, as well as Assistant to the Secretary, the Secretary's Representative to the National Drug Policy Board, and the Secretary's Representative to the Domestic Policy Council's Health Policy Working Group.

John is currently serving as president of the Philanthropy Roundtable, a national association of charitable donors who are doing great work in our communities. He was previously president of the New Citizenship Project, an organization created to promote greater civic participation in our national life.

John also served on the Council on Crime in America, a bipartisan commission on violent crime co-chaired by Bill Bennett and President Carter's Attorney General Griffin Bell. And, in 1988, John created the Madison Center, a nonprofit organization dedicated to early childhood education and drug abuse prevention.

Mr. President, John Walters has now waited almost 2 months for a confirmation hearing. I urge my colleagues to move forward on his nomination.

NOMINATION OF JOSEFINA CARBONELL TO BE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR AGING

Mr. NELSON of Florida. Mr. President, I want to voice my enthusiastic support for Josefina Carbonell's nomination to be Assistant Secretary for Aging at the Department of Health and Human Services. She has served her community admirably, and is highly respected for her work with the Little Havana Activities and Nutrition Centers of Miami-Dade County. This is an organization she founded in 1972. Under her leadership, it has grown from a one-site project into the largest aging, health and nutrition program in Florida and the largest Hispanic geriatric health and human service organization in the nation. Today Little Havana operates twenty-one different sites, serving over 55,000 registered clients. The program served over one million meals to 50,000 older Americans in 2000, and now operate six senior centers and

three adult care centers, and while providing services through numerous federal health-care and employment programs.

As a young girl, Ms. Carbonell came to this country from Cuba and dedicated her life to serving her community. Her contributions to the well-being of the greater Miami community are well-known, and, I would say some have become legendary.

Her many years living and working among South Florida's large senior population and her direct hands-on experience providing services for these citizens make her a superb choice to be Assistant Secretary for Aging at the Department of Health and Human Services.

In Josefina Carbonell, our seniors will have an outstanding advocate in Washington. I look forward to working with her to improve both the quality of life for our senior citizens and the services we provide them.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate will resume legislative session.

ORDER OF PROCEDURE

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, I further ask unanimous consent the majority leader may, after consultation with the Republican leader, turn to the consideration of the export administration bill, S. 149, but not before September 4, 2001; further, that the Senate now turn to the consideration of H.R. 2620, the VA-HUD appropriations, and Senator MIKULSKI be recognized to offer the text of the Senate bill, S. 1216, as a substitute amendment.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there is objection?

Mrs. MURRAY. Reserving the right to object, and I will not object, but if I could just have 2 minutes before we go to VA-HUD for some final cleanup on the Transportation bill?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

The Senator from New Jersey.

Mr. TORRICELLI. Reserving the right to object, could I have 2 minutes after Senator MURRAY?

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, I ask that be part of the unanimous consent request.

Mr. McCAIN. Reserving the right to object, I reserve 2 minutes after the Senator from New Jersey.

Mr. DASCHLE. I add that one, too.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the request?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, as in executive session, I ask unanimous consent that immediately following the next rollcall vote, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of ASA HUTCHINSON to be Administrator for Drug Enforcement, that there be 30 minutes for debate equally divided among Senators