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## House of Representatives

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, January 27, 2003, at 2 p.m.

## Senate

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### MAKING FURTHER CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003—Continued

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, we previously entered into a unanimous consent request concerning H.J. Res. 2. I have been asked and do offer an amendment to that. I ask unanimous consent the consent agreement for H.J. Res. 2 be modified to provide for a motion to instruct the conferees to be made by Senator STABENOW or her designee, and there be a 20-minute time limitation for debate, equally divided in the usual form, with no amendments in order to the motion.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. STEVENS. It is my understanding this has been cleared by both sides. But it provides that the Senator may offer a motion to instruct the conferees, which she had a right to do. But that request, unfortunately, was not presented by those who were working up the consent agreement. I appreciate the Chair allowing me to modify it at the request of Senator STABENOW.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### MAKING MAJORITY PARTY APPOINTMENTS—Resumed

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate resume consideration of S. Res. 18.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I am pleased to inform my colleagues that we are finally prepared to adopt our respective committee resolutions. It gives me great pleasure, after negotiation in good faith by both sides that we are bringing this issue to a conclusion. I believe this understanding for this 108th Congress is fair to both sides of the aisle. With this agreement, I am grateful that we are able to proceed with assigning committee seats and that we will be able to begin what we are here to accomplish and what we are all about in this Nation's business.

I do want to thank Members on both sides of the aisle for their patience as we have worked constructively together—Democrat and Republican—to accomplish what we are about to do. I particularly thank the Democratic leader, and, as I mentioned this morning and I think he mentioned as well late last night and throughout the course of today, we have had both of our staffs working together very closely. So I thank the Democratic leader for his efforts.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the pending resolution be modified with the change that I now send to the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I further ask unanimous consent that the resolution, as modified, be agreed to and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table; further, that immediately upon its passage, a joint leadership letter be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 18), as modified, was agreed to, as follows:

S. RES. 18

*Resolved*, That notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXV, the following shall constitute the majority party's membership on the following standing committees for the 108th Congress, or until their successors are chosen:

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry: Mr. Cochran (Chairman), Mr. LUGAR, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Talent, Mrs. Dole, and Mr. Grassley.

Committee on Appropriations: Mr. Stevens (Chairman), Mr. Cochran, Mr. Specter, Mr. Domenici, Mr. Bond, Mr. McConnell, Mr. Burns, Mr. Shelby, Mr. Gregg, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Craig, Mrs. Hutchison, Mr. DeWine, and Mr. Brownback.

Committee on Armed Services: Mr. Warner (Chairman), Mr. McCain, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Allard, Mr. Sessions, Ms. Collins, Mr. Ensign, Mr. Talent, Mr. Chambliss, Mr. Graham of South Carolina, Mrs. Dole, and Mr. Cornyn.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Mr. Shelby (Chairman), Mr. Bennett, Mr. Allard, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Hagel, Mr. Santorum, Mr. Bunning, Mr. Crapo, Mr. Sununu, Mrs. Dole, and Mr. Chafee.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Mr. McCain (Chairman), Mr. Stevens, Mr. Burns, Mr. Lott, Mrs. Hutchison, Ms. Snowe, Mr. Brownback, Mr. Smith, Mr. Fitzgerald, Mr. Ensign, Mr. Allen, and Mr. Sununu.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Mr. Domenici (Chairman), Mr. Nickles, Mr. Craig, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Alexander, Ms. Murkowski, Mr. Talent, Mr. Burns, Mr. Smith, Mr. Bunning, and Mr. Kyl.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Mr. Inhofe (Chairman), Mr. Warner, Mr. Bond, Mr. Voinovich, Mr. Crapo, Mr.

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