

entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A300 B4-600, B4-600R, and F4-600R Series Airplanes, and Model C4-605 Variant F Airplanes; and Airbus Model A310 Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. 2004-NM-74) received on April 24, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6505. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; BAE Systems Limited Model BAe 146-100A and -200A Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. 2005-NM-083)) received on April 24, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6506. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A300 B2 and B4 Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. 2005-NM-016)) received on April 24, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6507. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; BAE Systems Limited Model Avro 146-RJ Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. 2005-NM-084)) received on April 24, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6508. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 747-100, 747-100B, 747-200B, 747-200C, 747-200F, 747-400F, 747SR, and 747SP Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. 2005-NM-101)) received on April 24, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6509. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Frakes Aviation Model G-73 Series Airplanes and Model G-73 Airplanes That Have Been Converted to Have Turbine Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. 2005-NM-256)) received on April 24, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6510. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Gulfstream Aerospace LP Model Gulfstream 100 Airplanes; and Model Astra SPX, and 1125 Westwind Astra Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. 2005-NM-120)) received on April 24, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6511. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce plc RB211 Trent 500, 700 and 800 Series Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. 2005-NE-49)) received on April 24, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6512. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Gulfstream Model GIV-X and GV-SP Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. 2006-NM-024)) received on April 24, 2006; to the

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6513. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier Model CL-600-2C10, CL-600-2D15, and CL 600 2D24 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. 2005-NM-198)) received on April 24, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6514. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier Model CL-600-2C10, CL-600-2D15, and CL-600-2D24" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. 2005-NM-158)) received on April 24, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6515. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Meggitt Model 602 Smoke Detectors Approved Under Technical Standard Order (TSO) TSO-C1C and Installed on Various Transport Category Airplanes, Including But Not Limited to Aerospatiale Model ATR42 and ATR72 Airplanes; Boeing Model 727 and 737 Airplanes; McDonnell Douglas Model DC-10-10, DC-10-10F, DC-10-15, DC-10-30 and DC-10-30F, DC-10-40, DC-10-40F, MD-10-10F, MD-10-30F, MD-11, and MD-11F Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. 2004-NM-259)) received on April 24, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6516. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Cessna Model 500, 550, S550, 560, 560XL, and 750 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. 2005-NM-107)) received on April 24, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6517. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; BAE Systems Limited Model BAe 146 and Avro 146-RJ Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. 2002-NM-172)) received on April 24, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6518. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A321-100 Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. 2005-NM-060)) received on April 24, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6519. A communication from the Chairman, National Indian Gaming Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Freedom of Information Act Procedures" (RIN3141-AA21) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-6520. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benzaldehyde, Captafol, Hexaconazole, Paraformaldehyde, Sodium dimethyldithiocarbamate, and Tetradifon; Tolerance Actions" (FRL No. 8065-1) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6521. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office

of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pantoea Agglomerans Strain C9-1; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 7772-6) received on April 25, 2006; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

NOTIFICATION OF AN EXECUTIVE ORDER BLOCKING PROPERTY OF PERSONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONFLICT IN SUDAN'S DARFUR REGION—PM 46

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 Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (IEEPA), I hereby report that I have issued an Executive Order (the "order") blocking the property of persons in connection with the conflict in Sudan's Darfur region. In that order, I have expanded the scope of the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13067 of November 3, 1997, with respect to the policies and actions of the Government of Sudan, to address the unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States posed by the actions and circumstances involving Darfur, as described below.

The United Nations Security Council, in Resolution 1591 of March 29, 2005, condemned the continued violations of the N'djamena Ceasefire Agreement of April 8, 2004, and the Abuja Humanitarian and Security Protocols of November 9, 2004, by all sides in Darfur, as well as the deterioration of the security situation and the negative impact this has had on humanitarian assistance efforts. I also note that the United Nations Security Council has strongly condemned the continued violations of human rights and international humanitarian law in Sudan's Darfur region and, in particular, the continuation of violence against civilians and sexual violence against women and girls.

United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR) 1591 determined that the situation in Darfur constitutes a threat to international peace and security in the region and called on Member States to take certain measures against persons responsible for the continuing conflict. The United Nations Security Council has encouraged all parties to negotiate in good faith at the Abuja talks and to take immediate steps to support a peaceful settlement to the conflict in Darfur, but has continued to express serious concern at the persistence of the crisis in Darfur in UNSCR 1651 of December 21, 2005.

Pursuant to IEEPA, the National Emergencies Act, and the United Nations Participation Act (UNPA), I have

determined that these actions and circumstances constitute an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States, and have issued an Executive Order expanding the scope of the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13067 to deal with this threat.

The order blocks the property and interests in property in the United States, or in the possession or control of United States persons, of the persons listed in the Annex to the order, as well as of any person determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, after consultation with the Secretary of State,

—to have constituted a threat to the peace process in Darfur;

—to have constituted a threat to stability in Darfur and the region;

—to be responsible for conduct related to the conflict in Darfur that violates international law;

—to be responsible for heinous conduct with respect to human life or limb related to the conflict in Darfur;

—to have directly or indirectly supplied, sold, or transferred arms or any related materiel, or any assistance, advice, or training related to military activities to the Government of Sudan, the Sudan Liberation Movement/Army, the Justice and Equality Movement, the Janjaweed, or any person operating in the states of North Darfur, South Darfur, and West Darfur, that is a belligerent, a nongovernmental entity, or an individual; or

—to be responsible for offensive military overflights in and over the Darfur region.

The designation criteria will be applied in accordance with applicable domestic law, including where appropriate, the First Amendment of the United States Constitution.

The order also authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury, after consultation with the Secretary of State, to designate for blocking any person determined to have materially assisted, sponsored, or provided financial, material, or technological support for, or goods or services in support of, the activities listed above or any person listed in or designated pursuant to the order. I further authorized the Secretary of the Treasury, after consultation with the Secretary of State, to designate for blocking any person determined to be owned or controlled by, or acting or purporting to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, any person listed in or designated pursuant to the order. The Secretary of the Treasury, after consultation with the Secretary of State, is also authorized to remove any persons from the Annex to the order as circumstances warrant.

I delegated to the Secretary of the Treasury, after consultation with the Secretary of State, the authority to take such actions, including the promulgation of rules and regulations, and to employ all powers granted to the President by IEEPA and UNPA, as may

be necessary to carry out the purposes of the order. All Federal agencies are directed to take all appropriate measures within their authority to carry out the provisions of the order.

The order, a copy of which is enclosed, was effective at 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on April 27, 2006.

GEORGE W. BUSH.
THE WHITE HOUSE, April 27, 2006.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. COCHRAN, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled "Further Revised Allocations to Subcommittees of Budget Totals from the Concurrent Resolution for Fiscal Year 2006" (Rept. No. 109-251).

By Mr. ENZI, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1955. A bill to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Security Act of 1974 and the Public Health Service Act to expand health care access and reduce costs through the creation of small business health plans and through modernization of the health insurance marketplace.

By Mr. SPECTER, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

S. 2292. A bill to provide relief for the Federal judiciary from excessive rent charges.

S. 2557. A bill to improve competition in the oil and gas industry, to strengthen anti-trust enforcement with regard to industry mergers, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted on April 26, 2006:

By Mr. INHOFE for the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

*James B. Gulliford, of Missouri, to be Assistant Administrator for Toxic Substances of the Environmental Protection Agency.

*William Ludwig Wehrum, Jr., of Tennessee, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

*Richard Capka, of Pennsylvania, to be Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. SPECTER for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Michael Ryan Barrett, of Ohio, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio.

Brian M. Cogan, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

Thomas M. Golden, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Timothy Anthony Junker, of Iowa, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of Iowa for the term of four years.

Patrick Carroll Smith, Sr., of Maryland, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of North Carolina for the term of four years.

By Mr. CRAIG for the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

*Daniel L. Cooper, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary for Benefits of the Department of Veterans Affairs for a term of four years.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. DODD (for himself and Mr. DEWINE):

S. 2663. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish grant programs to provide for education and outreach on newborn screening and coordinated follow up care once newborn screening has been conducted, to reauthorize programs under part A of title XI of such Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mrs. LINCOLN, and Mr. CONRAD):

S. 2664. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to pharmacies under part D; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. CONRAD, and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. 2665. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to simplify and improve the Medicare prescription drug program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BURNS:

S. 2666. A bill to temporarily suspend the revised tax treatment of kerosene for use in aviation under the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 2667. A bill to revitalize the Los Angeles River, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. VITTER:

S. 2668. A bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to require the incorporation of counterfeit-resistant technologies into the packaging of prescription drugs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. REID (for Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. KENNEDY)):

S. 2669. A bill to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into cooperative agreements with any of the management partners of the Boston Harbor Islands National Recreation Area, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. REID (for Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mr. KOHL, and Mr. LIEBERMAN)):