

Sessions	Sweeney	Wasserman
Shadegg	Tancredo	Schultz
Shaw	Tanner	Waters
Shays	Tauscher	Watson
Sherman	Taylor (NC)	Watt
Sherwood	Terry	Waxman
Shimkus	Thomas	Weiner
Shuster	Thompson (CA)	Weldon (FL)
Simmons	Thompson (MS)	Weldon (PA)
Simpson	Thornberry	Weller
Skelton	Tiahrt	Westmoreland
Slaughter	Tiberi	Wexler
Smith (NJ)	Tierney	Whitfield
Smith (TX)	Towns	Wicker
Smith (WA)	Turner	Wilson (NM)
Snyder	Udall (CO)	Wilson (SC)
Sodrel	Udall (NM)	Wolf
Solis	Upton	Woolsey
Souder	Van Hollen	Wu
Spratt	Velázquez	Wynn
Stark	Visclosky	Young (AK)
Stearns	Walden (OR)	Young (FL)
Stupak	Walsh	
Sullivan	Wamp	

NAYS—7

Buyer	McKinney	Taylor (MS)
Duncan	Paul	
Jones (NC)	Rohrabacher	

NOT VOTING—13

Brown (OH)	Istook	Millender-
Castle	Jefferson	McDonald
Davis (FL)	Lewis (GA)	Ney
Evans	Meehan	Pombo
Ford		Strickland

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are advised there are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 1820

Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi and Mr. JONES of North Carolina changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Mr. RADANOVICH changed his vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So (two-thirds of those voting having responded in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the resolution, as amended, was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERMISSION TO REDUCE TIME FOR ELECTRONIC VOTING DURING FURTHER PROCEEDINGS TODAY

Mr. BOEHNER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that during further proceedings today in the House, the Chair be authorized to reduce to 2 minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on any question that otherwise could be subjected to 5-minute voting under clause 8 or 9 of rule XX.

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

There was no objection.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, 5-minute voting will continue.

There was no objection.

URGING THE PRESIDENT TO APPOINT A PRESIDENTIAL SPECIAL ENVOY FOR SUDAN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the resolution, H. Res. 992, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. SMITH) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 992, as amended, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 414, nays 3, not voting 15, as follows:

[Roll No. 482]

YEAS—414

Abercrombie	Chocola	Gillmor
Ackerman	Clay	Gingrey
Aderholt	Cleaver	Gohmert
Akin	Clyburn	Gonzalez
Alexander	Coble	Goode
Allen	Cole (OK)	Goodlatte
Andrews	Conaway	Gordon
Baca	Conyers	Granger
Bachus	Cooper	Graves
Baird	Costa	Green (WI)
Baker	Costello	Green, Al
Baldwin	Cramer	Green, Gene
Barrett (SC)	Crenshaw	Grijalva
Barrow	Crowley	Gutierrez
Bartlett (MD)	Cubin	Gutknecht
Barton (TX)	Cuellar	Hall
Bass	Culberson	Harman
Bean	Cummings	Harris
Beauprez	Davis (AL)	Hart
Becerra	Davis (CA)	Hastings (FL)
Berkley	Davis (IL)	Hastings (WA)
Berman	Davis (KY)	Hayes
Berry	Davis (TN)	Hayworth
Biggett	Davis, Jo Ann	Hefley
Bilbray	Davis, Tom	Hensarling
Bilirakis	Deal (GA)	Herger
Bishop (GA)	DeFazio	Herse
Bishop (NY)	DeGette	Higgins
Bishop (UT)	DeLahunt	Hinche
Blackburn	DeLauro	Hinojosa
Blumenauer	Dent	Hobson
Blunt	Diaz-Balart, L.	Hoekstra
Boehlert	Diaz-Balart, M.	Holden
Boehner	Dicks	Holt
Bonilla	Dingell	Honda
Bonner	Doggett	Hooley
Bono	Doolittle	Hostettler
Boozman	Doyle	Hoyer
Boren	Drake	Hulshof
Boswell	Dreier	Hunter
Boucher	Duncan	Hyde
Boustany	Edwards	Inglis (SC)
Boyd	Ehlers	Inslie
Bradley (NH)	Emanuel	Israel
Brady (PA)	Emerson	Issa
Brady (TX)	Engel	Jackson (IL)
Brown (SC)	English (PA)	Jackson-Lee
Brown, Corrine	Eshoo	(TX)
Brown-Waite,	Etheridge	Jenkins
Ginny	Everett	Jindal
Burgess	Farr	Johnson (CT)
Burton (IN)	Fattah	Johnson (IL)
Butterfield	Feeney	Johnson, E. B.
Buyer	Ferguson	Johnson, Sam
Calvert	Filner	Jones (NC)
Camp (MI)	Fitzpatrick (PA)	Jones (OH)
Campbell (CA)	Flake	Kanjorski
Cannon	Foley	Kaptur
Cantor	Forbes	Keller
Capito	Portenberry	Kelly
Capps	Fossella	Kennedy (MN)
Capuano	Fox	Kennedy (RI)
Cardin	Frank (MA)	Kildee
Cardoza	Franks (AZ)	Kilpatrick (MI)
Carnahan	Frelinghuysen	Kind
Carson	Gallegly	King (IA)
Carter	Garrett (NJ)	King (NY)
Case	Gerlach	Kingston
Chabot	Gibbons	Kirk
Chandler	Gilchrest	Kline

Knollenberg	Norwood	Serrano
Kolbe	Nunes	Sessions
Kucinich	Nussle	Shadegg
Kuhl (NY)	Oberstar	Shaw
LaHood	Obey	Shays
Langevin	Olver	Sherman
Lantos	Ortiz	Sherwood
Larsen (WA)	Osborne	Shimkus
Larson (CT)	Otter	Shuster
Latham	Owens	Simmons
LaTourette	Oxley	Simpson
Leach	Pallone	Skelton
Lee	Pascrell	Smith (NJ)
Levin	Pastor	Smith (TX)
Lewis (CA)	Payne	Smith (WA)
Lewis (KY)	Pearce	Snyder
Linder	Pelosi	Sodrel
Lipinski	Pence	Solis
LoBiondo	Peterson (MN)	Souder
Lofgren, Zoe	Peterson (PA)	Spratt
Lowey	Petri	Stark
Lucas	Pickering	Stearns
Lungren, Daniel	Pitts	Stupak
E.	Platts	Sweeney
Lynch	Poe	Tancredo
Mack	Pomeroy	Tanner
Maloney	Porter	Tauscher
Manzullo	Price (GA)	Taylor (MS)
Marchant	Price (NC)	Taylor (NC)
Markey	Pryce (OH)	Terry
Marshall	Putnam	Thomas
Matheson	Radanovich	Thompson (CA)
Matsui	Rahall	Thompson (MS)
McCarthy	Ramstad	Thornberry
McCaul (TX)	Rangel	Tiahrt
McCollum (MN)	Regula	Tiberi
McCotter	Rehberg	Tierney
McCrary	Reichert	Towns
McDermott	Renzi	Turner
McGovern	Reyes	Udall (CO)
McHenry	Reynolds	Udall (NM)
McHugh	Rogers (AL)	Upton
McIntyre	Rogers (KY)	Van Hollen
McKeon	Rogers (MI)	Velázquez
McMorris	Rohrabacher	Visclosky
Rodgers	Ros-Lehtinen	Walden (OR)
McNulty	Ross	Walsh
Meek (FL)	Rothman	Wamp
Meeks (NY)	Roybal-Allard	Wasserman
Melancon	Royce	Schultz
Mica	Ruppersberger	Waters
Michaud	Rush	Watson
Miller (FL)	Ryan (OH)	Watt
Miller (MI)	Ryan (WI)	Waxman
Miller (NC)	Ryun (KS)	Weiner
Miller, Gary	Sabo	Weldon (FL)
Miller, George	Salazar	Weldon (PA)
Mollohan	Sánchez, Linda	Weller
Moore (KS)	T.	Westmoreland
Moore (WI)	Sanchez, Loretta	Wexler
Moran (KS)	Sanders	Whitfield
Moran (VA)	Saxton	Wicker
Murphy	Schakowsky	Wilson (NM)
Murtha	Schiff	Wilson (SC)
Musgrave	Schmidt	Wolf
Myrick	Schwartz (PA)	Woolsey
Nadler	Schwarz (MI)	Wu
Napolitano	Scott (GA)	Wynn
Neugebauer	Scott (VA)	Young (AK)
Northup	Sensenbrenner	Young (FL)

NAYS—3

McKinney	Paul	Slaughter
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NOT VOTING—15

Brown (OH)	Jefferson	Ney
Castle	Lewis (GA)	Pombo
Davis (FL)	Meehan	Strickland
Evans	Millender-	Sullivan
Ford	McDonald	
Istook	Neal (MA)	

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are advised there are 2 minutes left in this vote.

□ 1830

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California changed his vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So (two-thirds of those voting having responded in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the resolution, as amended, was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The title of the resolution was amended so as to read: "A resolution supporting the appointment of a Presidential Special Envoy for Sudan".

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, during roll-call vote No. 482 on H. Res. 992, I mistakenly recorded my vote as "nay" when I should have voted "yea."

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 817

Mr. POE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to remove my name from H.R. 817.

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

There was no objection.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. HOOLEY. Mr. Speaker, earlier today I was unavoidably detained and as a result missed rollcall 478, a privileged motion offered by the minority leader.

Had I been present, I would have voted "aye" on the motion.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include tabular and extraneous material on the conference report to accompany H.R. 5631.

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

There was no objection.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 5631, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AP- PROPRIATIONS ACT, 2007

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 1037, I call up the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 5631) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 1037, the conference report is considered read.

(For conference report and statement, see proceedings of the House of September 25, 2006, at page H6996.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Florida (Mr. YOUNG) and the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. MURTHA) each will control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Florida.

Mr. YOUNG of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise to support the conference report on H.R. 5631 which makes appropriations for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 2007. The agreement provides \$377.6 billion for the United States military. In addition, \$70 billion is provided in the so-called bridge fund for the operations of the war against terror. Finally, \$200 million is included in emergency funding to help the Department of the Interior and the Forest Service combat wildfires.

Mr. Speaker, this conference report also carries a continuing resolution which will fund other activities of the government through November 17. It is a totally clean CR, and it merely establishes the date.

The House passed the defense bill on June 20 by a vote of 407-19. The other body completed its action on its version of the bill on September 7. By September 21, only 2 weeks after the Senate approval, we resolved conference and present a good conference report.

There was some difficulty about the total number, the top line, the 302(b) allocation, and I want to compliment the chairman of the full committee, Chairman LEWIS, for having stuck to his guns. We were able to get that top number up to the House number and this bill reflects very closely the bill as passed by the House.

I will say that a statement has been prepared in writing of the highlights of this legislation. I would advise the Members that there were no new earmarks, no new Member projects added in conference, and that in the bridge fund there are no Member projects whatsoever. It is a good conference report. It was agreed to unanimously by the conferees of both parties in both the House and the Senate.

Mr. Speaker, it is a good bill.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of the conference report on H.R. 5631, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 2007. This agreement provides \$377.6 billion for the United States military. In addition, \$70 billion is provided in the so-called "Bridge Fund". Finally, \$200 million is included in emergency funding to help the Department of the Interior and the Forest Service combat wildfires.

This conference report also carries a continuing resolution, which will fund other activities of the government through November 17th.

The House passed the Defense appropriations bill on June 20th by a vote of 407 to 19. However, the Senate did not complete action on its version until September 7th. We reached a conference agreement on Thursday, September 21st, only two weeks after final approval by the Senate, despite having to resolve some major funding differences.

The centerpiece of this legislation is the funding for the Global War on Terror contained in title IX. This includes \$17.1 billion to fully cover the fiscal year 2007 reset needs of the United States Army, and \$5.8 billion to do the same for the Marine Corps.

The reset funding in this conference agreement will enable deploying units to have all the equipment they require to face the enemy in Iraq and Afghanistan. In addition, returning units can be reset and trained in order to be at full readiness for any future deployment. We owe it to our troops to ensure they have all the equipment they need to perform their missions. This funding keeps that commitment.

In addition, the conference agreement provides operating expenses for the services to conduct the Global War on Terror for the first half of fiscal year 2007. Finally, we provide funding for 10 additional C-17 aircraft in the Bridge Fund, for a total of 22 in this conference report.

Within the base bill, the conference agreement maintains the two littoral combat ships provided for the Navy in the House bill but eliminated by the Senate, as well one T-AKE ammunition ship. We have reluctantly agreed to the proposal of the Administration and the Senate to incrementally fund the two lead ships of the DDG-1000 destroyer series, formerly DD(X). However, we expect them to stay within the total funding envelop for both ships, which is currently projected at \$6,582,200,000. In the future, I do not believe Congress should entertain any funding above this level.

The conference agreement also includes \$2.7 billion to fully fund the procurement of 20 F-22A fighter aircraft, and \$687 million for advance procurement of 20 aircraft in fiscal year 2008.

The Senate bill had eliminated procurement funding for the Joint Strike Fighter program. However, in the conference agreement we were able to restore full funding for 2 production aircraft and advance procurement for 12 additional aircraft in fiscal year 2008. Including research and development costs, the conference agreement contains \$4.3 billion for the Joint Strike Fighter program, making it the largest single program in the Department of Defense.

We also responded to the emerging threat posed by North Korea and Iran by providing \$9.4 billion for ballistic missile defense, an increase of \$1.6 billion over fiscal year 2006. This includes funds to begin the establishment in Europe of a third ground-based interceptor site.

Mr. Speaker, there are a number of other important programs addressed in this conference report. Let me just conclude by stating that this bill provides essential funding for the war fighter in Iraq, Afghanistan, and around the world as we wage the Global War on Terror. Every member of the conference committee signed the conference report. It deserves the strong support of the House. I urge its adoption.