Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that an oversight hearing has been scheduled before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will be held on Thursday, May 10, 2007, at 9:30 a.m. in room SD—366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The purpose of this hearing is to consider the nominations of Joseph Timothy Kelliher, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; and R. Lyle Laverty, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, Washington, DC 20510–6150, or by email to amanda_kelly@energy.senate.gov.

For further information, please contact Sam Fowler at (202) 224–7571 or Amanda Kelly at (202) 224–6836.

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
Mr. KERRY. I would like to inform the Members of the Committee that the Committee will hold a roundtable entitled “SBA Reauthorization: Small Business Loan Programs.” on Wednesday, May 2, 2007 at 10 a.m. in room 428A of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The purpose of the hearing is to examine U.S. sanctions against Iran and the business dealings of American companies, including Halliburton, with Iran.

The PRESIDENT OFFICER. Without object, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs’ Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia be authorized to meet on Monday, April 30, 2007 at 2:30 p.m. for a hearing entitled, The Federal Government’s Role in Empowering Americans to Make Informed Financial Decisions. The PRESIDENT OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR
Mr. KENNEDY. I ask unanimous consent that the following members of my staff be granted the privilege of the floor for the remainder of the debate on the Food and Drug Administration Reauthorization Act of 2007: Nicky Bassford, David Dorsey, David Noll—and Nancy Hardt, with Senator BINGAMAN.

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

Mr. ENZI. I also request unanimous consent, on behalf of one of my staff members, to have the privilege of the floor during discussion on this important bill. That will be David Schmickel.

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

MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—H.R. 1332
Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, I understand that H.R. 1332, has been received from the House and is at the desk, and I would ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDENT OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 1332) to improve the access to capital programs of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes.

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, I now ask for a second reading, and I object to my own request.

The PRESIDENT OFFICER. The objection is heard.

The bill will be read the second time on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2007
Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until 10 a.m., Tuesday, May 1; that on Tuesday, following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the time for the two leaders reserved for their use later in the day; that there be a period of morning business lasting 60 minutes, with time permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each, with the first half controlled by the Republicans and the final portion under the control of the majority; that at the close of morning business, the Senate then resume consideration of S. 1082; that the Senate stand in recess from 12:30 p.m. to 2:15 p.m., for the regularly scheduled conference periods.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW
Mr. KENNEDY. If there is no further business today, I now ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:08 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, May 1, 2007, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATIONS
Executive nominations received by the Senate April 30, 2007;

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
MAURICE S. PARKER, OF CALIFORNIA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MESTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Kingdom of Swaziland.

JUNE CARTER PERRY, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MESTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Sierra Leone.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
JAMES KENNEDY KENNEDY, OF TENNESSEE, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE HARRY SANDLIN MATTHEW, JR., DESIGNATE.

ESTHER SOTO III, OF MARYLAND, TO BE UNITED STATES MARSHAL FOR THE DISTRICT OF PURDUE FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE THOMAS E. WELLS, JR., VICE HERMAN WINIFRED RODRIGUEZ, TERM EXPIRED.

JOE W. STITCHES, OF NEBRASKA, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA, FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE MICHAEL G. HEAVYAN, TERM EXPIRED.

IN THE AIR FORCE
THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 3, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

Maj Gen Daniel J. Darnell, 0000

The following NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 3, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be general

Lt Gen Carol R. Chandler, 0000