

1701 et seq.) (IEEPA), I hereby report that I have issued an Executive Order (the "Order") that expands the scope of the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13047 of May 20, 1997, and takes additional steps with respect to that national emergency.

In 1997, the United States put in place a prohibition on new investment in Burma in response to the Government of Burma's large-scale repression of the democratic opposition in that country. On July 28, 2003, those sanctions were expanded by steps taken in Executive Order 13310, which contained prohibitions implementing sections 3 and 4 of the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-61) and supplemented that Act with additional restrictions. I have now determined that the Government of Burma's continued repression of the democratic opposition in Burma, manifested most recently in the violent response to peaceful demonstrations, the commission of human rights abuses related to political repression, and engagement in public corruption, including by diverting or misusing Burmese public assets or by misusing public authority, warrant an expansion of the existing sanctions.

The order incorporates existing designation criteria set forth in Executive Order 13310, authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury, after consultation with the Secretary of State, to designate any person determined to be a senior official of the Government of Burma, the State Peace and Development Council of Burma, the Union Solidarity and Development Association of Burma, or any successor entity to any of the foregoing. The order blocks the property and interests in property in the United States of persons listed in the Annex to the order and provides additional criteria for designations of persons determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, after consultation with the Secretary of State, to be responsible for, or to have participated in, human rights abuses related to political repression in Burma; to be engaged, or to have engaged, in activities facilitating public corruption by senior officials of the Government of Burma; to have materially assisted, sponsored, or provided financial, material, logistical, or technical support for, or goods or services in support of, the Government of Burma, the State Peace and Development Council of Burma, the Union Solidarity and Development Association of Burma, any successor entity to any of the foregoing, any senior official of any of the foregoing, or any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to Executive Order 13310 or section 1(b) (i)-(v) of the order; to be owned or controlled by, or to have acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to Executive Order 13310 or section 1(b)(i)-(v) of the order; or to be a spouse or dependent child of

any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to the order or Executive Order 13310.

The order leaves in place the existing prohibitions on new investment, the exportation or reexportation to Burma of financial services, and the importation of any article that is a product of Burma, which were put into effect in Executive Order 13047 and Executive Order 13310.

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 section 4 of the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003 as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of the order.

I am enclosing a copy of the Executive Order I have issued.

GEORGE W. BUSH.  
THE WHITE HOUSE, October 18, 2007.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-3713. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the Democratic Republic of the Congo; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3714. A communication from the Director, Office of Protected Resources, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Taking and Importing Marine Mammals; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Navy Operations of Surveillance Towed Array Sensor System Low Frequency Active" (RIN0648-AT80) received on October 16, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3715. A communication from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Kentucky Regulatory Program" (Docket No. KY-251-FOR) received on October 17, 2007; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3716. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Critical Habitat for *Piperia yadonii*" (RIN1018-AU34) received on October 17, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3717. A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Exemptions from Licensing, General Licenses, and Distributions of Byproduct Material: Licensing and Reporting Requirements" (RIN3150-AH41) received on October 17, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3718. A communication from the Assistant Director, Fisheries and Habitat Conservation, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Injurious Wildlife Species; Black Carp" (RIN1018-AG70) received on October 18,

2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3719. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the administration of the Surface Transportation Project Delivery Pilot Program; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3720. 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 "Bifenthrin; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8151-5) received on October 18, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3721. 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 "Federal Implementation Plans for the Clean Air Interstate Rule: Automatic Withdrawal Provisions" (FRL No. 8485-7) received on October 18, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3722. 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 "Fenamidone; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8152-9) received on October 18, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3723. 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 "Pesticide Data Requirements; Technical Amendments" (FRL No. 8114-1) received on October 18, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3724. 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 "Pesticides; Redesignation of Part 158; Technical Amendments" (FRL No. 8116-2) received on October 18, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3725. 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 "Pesticides; Data Requirements for Biochemical and Microbial Pesticides" ((RIN2070-AD51)(FRL No. 8109-8)) received on October 18, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3726. 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 "Pesticides; Data Requirements for Conventional Chemicals" ((RIN2070-AC12)(FRL No. 8106-5)) received on October 18, 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3727. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "October-December 2007 Section 42 Bond Factor Amounts" (Rev. Rule. 2007-62) received on October 18, 2007; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3728. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to

performance improvement within the Department during fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:

Report to accompany S. 680, A bill to ensure proper oversight and accountability in Federal contracting, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 110-201).

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with amendments:

H.R. 1254. A bill to amend title 44, United States Code, to require information on contributors to Presidential library fundraising organizations (Rept. No. 110-202).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with amendments:

S. 2035. A bill to maintain the free flow of information to the public by providing conditions for the federally compelled disclosure of information by certain persons connected with the news media.

#### 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. HATCH (for himself and Mr. BIDEN):

S. 2213. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to improve prevention, investigation, and prosecution of cybercrime, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. INHOFE:

S. 2214. A bill to establish the Federal Emergency Management Agency as an independent agency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. THUNE, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. CARPER):

S. 2215. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the Protective Security Advisor Program Office; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. SALAZAR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. INHOFE, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. BURR, Mr. COBURN, and Mrs. HUTCHISON):

S.J. Res. 22. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services within the Department of Health and Human Services relating to Medicare coverage for the use of erythropoiesis stimulating agents in cancer and related neoplastic conditions; to the Committee on Finance.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 22

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID) was added as a cosponsor of S. 22, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a program of educational

assistance for members of the Armed Forces who serve in the Armed Forces after September 11, 2001, and for other purposes.

S. 600

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 600, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish the School-Based Health Clinic program, and for other purposes.

S. 777

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 777, a bill to repeal the imposition of withholding on certain payments made to vendors by government entities.

S. 803

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) were added as cosponsors of S. 803, a bill to repeal a provision enacted to end Federal matching of State spending of child support incentive payments.

S. 1200

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) were added as cosponsors of S. 1200, a bill to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to revise and extend the Act.

S. 1276

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1276, a bill to establish a grant program to facilitate the creation of methamphetamine precursor electronic logbook systems, and for other purposes.

S. 1332

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1332, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend projects relating to children and violence to provide access to school-based comprehensive mental health programs.

S. 1359

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the names of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) and the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1359, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to enhance public and health professional awareness and understanding of lupus and to strengthen the Nation's research efforts to identify the causes and cure of lupus.

S. 1444

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1444, a bill to provide for free mailing privileges for personal correspondence and parcels sent to members of the Armed Forces serving on active duty in Iraq or Afghanistan.

S. 1465

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the names of the Senator from Minnesota

(Mr. COLEMAN) and the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) were added as cosponsors of S. 1465, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage under the Medicare program of certain medical mobility devices approved as class III medical devices.

S. 1518

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1518, a bill to amend the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act to reauthorize the Act, and for other purposes.

S. 1661

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1661, a bill to communicate United States travel policies and improve marketing and other activities designed to increase travel in the United States from abroad.

S. 1711

At the request of Mr. BIDEN, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1711, a bill to target cocaine kingpins and address sentencing disparity between crack and powder cocaine.

S. 1729

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1729, a bill to amend titles 18 and 28 of the United States Code to provide incentives for the prompt payments of debts owed to the United States and the victims of crime by imposing surcharges on unpaid judgments owed to the United States and to the victims of crime, to provide for offsets on amounts collected by the Department of Justice for Federal agencies, to increase the amount of special assessments imposed upon convicted persons, to establish an Enhanced Financial Recovery Fund to enhance, supplement, and improve the debt collection activities of the Department of Justice, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide to assistant United States attorneys the same retirement benefits as are afforded to Federal law enforcement officers, and for authorized purposes.

S. 1730

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1730, a bill to amend part A of title IV of the Social Security Act, to reward States for engaging individuals with disabilities in work activities, and for other purposes.

S. 1843

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1843, a bill to amend title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 to clarify that an unlawful