

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:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent the enclosed notice to the *Federal Register* for publication, which states that the national emergency declared with respect to the Government of Cuba's destruction of two unarmed U.S.-registered civilian aircraft in international airspace north of Cuba on February 24, 1996, as amended and expanded on February 26, 2004, is to continue in effect beyond March 1, 2008.

GEORGE W. BUSH,
THE WHITE HOUSE, February 6, 2008.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 2:31 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 4253. An act to improve and expand small business assistance programs for veterans of the armed forces and military reservists, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD).

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 2596. A bill to rescind funds appropriated by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008, for the City of Berkeley, California, and any entities located in such city, and to provide that such funds shall be transferred to the Operation and Maintenance, Marine Corps account of the Department of Defense for the purposes of recruiting.

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-4881. A communication from the Chairman and President, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the Bank's operations during fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4882. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fluopicolide; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL

No. 8341-6) received on January 28, 2008; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4883. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Boscalid; Denial of Objections" (FRL No. 8347-3) received on January 28, 2008; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4884. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Live Oak, Florida)" (MB Docket No. 07-131) received on January 28, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4885. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Charlo, Montana)" (MB Docket No. 07-143) received on January 28, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4886. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Carriage of Digital Television Broadcast Signals: Amendment to Part 76 of the Commission's Rules" ((FCC 07-170)(CS Docket No. 98-120)) received on January 28, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4887. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities, Report and Order and Declaratory Ruling" ((FCC 07-186)(CG Docket No. 03-123)) received on January 28, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4888. A communication from the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the implementation of Public Law 106-107 during fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4889. A communication from the Acting Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Revision of Special Regulation for the Central Idaho and Yellowstone Area Non-essential Experimental Populations of Gray Wolves in the Northern Rocky Mountains" (RIN1018-AV39) received on January 28, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4890. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Revised Designation of Critical Habitat for the Tidewater Goby (*Eucyclogobius newberryi*)" (RIN1018-AU81) received on January 28, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4891. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Health and Safety Data Reporting; Addition of Certain Chemicals" ((RIN2070-AB11)(FRL No. 8154-2)) received on January 28, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4892. A communication from the Program Manager, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reauthorization of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program" (RIN0970-AC27) received on January 28, 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4893. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Policy, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the impact of increased minimum wages on the economies of American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4894. A communication from the Deputy Under Secretary for Management, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the Department's competitive sourcing efforts during fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4895. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of the Chief Acquisition Officer, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-23" (FAC 2005-23) received on January 28, 2008; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4896. A communication from the Acting Staff Director, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Commission's recent appointment of members to the Kansas Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4897. A communication from the Acting Staff Director, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Commission's recent appointment of members to the Missouri Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4898. A communication from the Acting Staff Director, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Commission's recent appointment of members to the District of Columbia Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4899. A communication from the Acting Staff Director, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Commission's recent appointment of members to the South Carolina Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4900. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to its budget request for fiscal year 2009; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-4901. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Change in Disease Status of Surrey County, England, Because of Foot-and-Mouth Disease" (Docket No. APHIS-2007-0124) received on January 31, 2008; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4902. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mexican Fruit Fly; Removal of Quarantined Area" (Docket No. APHIS-2007-0129) received on January 31, 2008; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4903. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting,