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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today.
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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:19 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 2, 2008. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S2311–12.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: U.S. FOREST SERVICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2009 for the United States Forest Service, after receiving testimony from Mark Rey, Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment, and Abigail Kimbell, Chief, United States Forest Service, both of the Department of Agriculture.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Airland concluded a hearing to examine the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2009 relative to the Army's new doctrine (Field Manual 3–0, Operations), and the future years defense program, after receiving testimony from Lieutenant General William B. Caldwell, IV, USA, Commanding General, United States Army Combined Arms Center and Fort Leavenworth.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support concluded a hearing to examine the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2009 for the current readiness of the armed forces, and the future years defense program, after receiving testimony from General Richard A. Cody, USA, Vice Chief of Staff, United States Army, General Robert Magnus, USMC, Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps, Admiral Patrick M. Walsh, USN, Vice Chief of Naval Operations, and General Duncan J. McNabb, USAF, Vice Chief of Staff,

United States Air Force, all of the Department of Defense.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces concluded a hearing to examine the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2009 for ballistic missile defense programs, and the future years defense program, after receiving testimony from John J. Young, Jr., Under Secretary for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, Lieutenant General Henry A. Obering III, USAF, Director, Missile Defense Agency, Lieutenant General Kevin T. Campbell, USA, Commanding General, United States Army Space and Missile Defense Command, and Charles E. McQueary, Director, Operational Test and Evaluation, all of the Department of Defense; and Paul L. Francis, Director, Acquisition and Sourcing Management, Government Accountability Office.

FOREST LANDSCAPE RESTORATION ACT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 2593, to establish a program at the Forest Service and the Department of the Interior to carry out collaborative ecological restoration treatments for priority forest landscapes on public land, after receiving testimony from Gail Kimbell, Chief, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Henri Bisson, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior; Scott Simon, Nature Conservancy, Little Rock, Arkansas; Christopher I. West, American Forest Resource Council, Portland, Oregon; Nathaniel Lawrence, Natural Resources Defense Council, Olympia, Washington; and Howard Gross, Forest Guild, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

ANTI-TERRORISM FINANCING

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine anti-terrorism financing, focusing on progress made and the challenges ahead, after receiving testimony from Stuart Levey, Under Secretary of the Treasury for Terrorism and Financial Intelligence.

IRAQ

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on the situation in Iraq from Stephen S. Kaplan, Vice Chairman, and Alan R. Pino, National Intelligence Officer for the Near East, both of the National Intelligence Council, and certain other members of the intelligence community.

OSHA VIOLATIONS

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety concluded a hearing to examine Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) violations, focusing on strategies for breaking dangerous patterns, after receiving testimony from Eric Frumin, Change to Win, New York, New York; Doris Morrow, United Food and Commercial Workers International Union (UFCW) Local 227, Robards, Kentucky; Carman J. Bianco, Behavioral Science Technology, Inc., Ojai, California; and Gerard Scannell, Washington, D.C.

ACCOUNTABILITY FOR SEXUAL VIOLENCE IN WAR

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law concluded a hearing to examine

rape as a weapon of war, focusing on accountability for sexual violence in conflict, after receiving testimony from Karin Wachter, International Rescue Committee, Kelly Dawn Askin, Open Society Justice Initiative, and Lisa F. Jackson, all of New York, New York; and Denis Mukwege, Panzi General Referral Hospital, Bukavu, South Kivu, Democratic Republic of the Congo.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to consider pending intelligence matters.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 5668–5676; and 6 resolutions, H. Res. 1064, 1066–1070, were introduced. **Pages H1888–89**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H1889–90**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2016, to establish the National Landscape Conservation System, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–561) and

H. Res. 1065, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5501) to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2009 through 2013 to provide assistance to foreign countries to combat HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria (H. Rept. 110–562). **Page H1888**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Israel to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1825**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:59 a.m. and reconvened at noon. **Page H1828**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Rev. Jeri B. Greenwell, National Chaplain, American Legion Auxiliary. **Page H1828**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Expressing the strong support of the House of Representatives for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization to enter into a Membership Action Plan with Georgia and Ukraine: H. Res. 997,

amended, to express the strong support of the House of Representatives for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization to enter into a Membership Action Plan with Georgia and Ukraine; **Pages H1832–36**

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the creation of refugee populations in the Middle East, North Africa, and the Persian Gulf region as a result of human rights violations: H. Res. 185, amended, to express the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the creation of refugee populations in the Middle East, North Africa, and the Persian Gulf region as a result of human rights violations; **Pages H1836–39**

Expressing the sense of Congress that the fatal radiation poisoning of Russian dissident and writer Alexander Litvinenko raises significant concerns about the potential involvement of elements of the Russian Government in Mr. Litvinenko's death and about the security and proliferation of radioactive materials: H. Con. Res. 154, amended, to express the sense of Congress that the fatal radiation poisoning of Russian dissident and writer Alexander Litvinenko raises significant concerns about the potential involvement of elements of the Russian Government in Mr. Litvinenko's death and about the security and proliferation of radioactive materials; **Pages H1839–41**

Civil Rights Act of 1964 Commemorative Coin Act: H.R. 2040, amended, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of