

Risk-based Security in Federal Buildings: Targeting Funds to Real Risks and Eliminating Unnecessary Security Obstacles. Testimony was heard from John Porcari, Deputy Secretary, Department of Transportation; Mark Goldstein, Director, Physical Infrastructure, GAO; Robert Peck, Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, GSA; William G. Dowd, Director, Physical Planning Division, National Capital Planning Commissioner; the following officials of the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security: Gary Schenkel, Director; and Patrick Moses, Regional Director, National Capital Region; and public witnesses.

#### VA SENIOR EXECUTIVE SERVICE BONUSES

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigation held a hearing on the SES Bonuses and Other Administrative Issues at the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: James J. O'Neill, Assistant Inspector General, Investigations; and W. Scott Gould, Deputy Secretary.

#### BRIEFING—AFGHANISTAN/PAKISTAN

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Met in executive session to receive a briefing on Afghanistan/Pakistan. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

#### DHS OFFICE OF INTELLIGENCE AND ANALYSIS REFORM EFFORTS

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence met in executive session to hold a hearing on DHS Office of Intelligence and Analysis Reform Efforts. Testimony was heard from Bart Johnson, Acting Under Secretary, Intelligence and Analysis, Department of Homeland Security; and the following officials of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence: Peter Lavoy, Deputy Director, National Intelligence for Analysis; and Rebecca Strode, Assistant Deputy Director, National Intelligence for Analytic Integrity and Standards.

### Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

##### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine the President's decision on missile defense in Europe, 10 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act, focusing on one year later, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Finance:* business meeting to continue consideration of an original bill entitled "America's Healthy Future Act of 2009", Time to be announced, SH-216.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine the government, focusing on performance, 10:30 a.m., SD-342.

Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to hold hearings to examine a review of United States diplomatic readiness, focusing on the staffing and foreign language challenges facing the foreign service, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* business meeting to consider S. 448 and H.R. 985, bills 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, S. 1692, to extend the sunset of certain provisions of the USA PATRIOT Act and the authority to issue national security letters, S. 369, to prohibit brand name drug companies from compensating generic drug companies to delay the entry of a generic drug into the market, S. 1670, to reform and modernize the limitations on exclusive rights relating to secondary transmissions of certain signals, and the nominations of Paul Joseph Fishman, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey, Jenny A. Durkan, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Washington, Florence T. Nakakuni, to be United States Attorney for the District of Hawaii, Deborah K. R. Gilg, to be United States Attorney for the District of Nebraska, and Ignacia S. Moreno, of New York, to be Assistant Attorney General, all of the Department of Justice, and Joseph A. Greenaway, Jr., of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, Roberto A. Lange, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Dakota, Irene Cornelia Berger, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of West Virginia, and Charlene Edwards Honeywell, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* closed business meeting to consider pending intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

##### House

*Committee on Armed Services,* Defense Acquisition Reform Panel, hearing on DOD Supply Chain Management: Can the Department Identify and Meet Its Supply Needs Efficiently? 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Communications, Technology and the Internet, hearing entitled "A National Interoperable Broadband Network for Public Safety: Recent Developments," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, hearing entitled “Experts’ Perspectives on Systemic Risk and Resolution Issues,” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled “Recent Innovations in Securitization,” 2:30 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing and Terrorism Risk Assessment, hearing entitled “I&A Reconceived: Defining A Homeland Security Intelligence Role,” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, hearing entitled “Credit Rating Agencies and the Next Financial Crisis;” followed by consideration of the following measures: H. Con. Res. 186, Supporting the goals and ideals of Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Month; H. Res. 725, Congratulating the Chula Vista Park View Little League team of Chula Vista, California, for winning the 2009 Little League World Series Championship; H. Res. 734, Expressing the support for and honoring September 17, 2009 as “Constitution Day;” H. Res. 693, Honoring the life and accomplishments of Jim Johnson and extending the condolences of the House of Representatives to his family on the occasion of his death; H.R. 3547, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 936 South 250 East in Provo, Utah, as the “Rex E. Lee Post Office Building;” and H. Res. 16, Supporting the goals and ideals of National Life Insurance Awareness Month, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science and Technology*, Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, hearing on the Potential Need for Measurement Standards to Facilitate the Research and Development of Biologic Drugs, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, Subcommittee on Contracting and Technology, hearing entitled “The Roles of Federal Labs in Spurring Innovation and Entrepreneurship Across the U.S.” 12:30 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

### Joint Meetings

*Joint Economic Committee*: to hold hearings to examine the future of newspapers, focusing on the impact on the economy and democracy, 10 a.m., 210–CHOB.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, to consider the following: H.R. 3619, Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2009; H.R. 3618, Clean Hull Act of 2009; H.R. 3305, To designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 224 South Boulder Avenue in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as the “H. Dale Cook Federal Build-

ing and United States Courthouse;” H. Con. Res. 138, Recognizing the 40th anniversary of the George Bush Intercontinental Airport in Houston, Texas; H. Res. 465, Recognizing the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway Association on the occasion of its 10th anniversary; H.R. 719, Commending Russ Meyer on his induction into the National Aviation Hall of Fame; H.R. 1700, National Women’s History Museum Act of 2009; and GSA Capital Investment Program Resolutions, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing on Honoring the Fallen: How Can We Better Serve America’s Veterans and Their Families? 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 294, Veteran-Owned Small Business Promotion Act of 2009; H.R. 1169, To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase the amount of assistance provided by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to disabled veterans for specially adapted housing and automobiles and adapted equipment; H.R. 1182, Military Spouses Residency Relief Act; H.R. 2416, To require the Department of Veterans Affairs to use purchases of goods or services through the Federal supply schedules for the purpose of meeting certain contracting goals for participation by small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans, including veterans with service-connected disabilities; H.R. 2461, Veterans Small Business Verification Act; H.R. 2614, Veterans’ Advisory Committee on Education Reauthorization Act of 2009; H.R. 2696, Servicemembers Rights Protection Act; H.R. 2874, Helping Active Duty Deployed Act of 2009; H.R. 2928, To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for an apprenticeship and on-job training program under the Post 9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Program; H.R. 3223, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the Department of Veterans Affairs contracting goals and references for small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans; H.R. 3554, National Guard Education Equity Act; H.R. 3561, To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase the amount of educational assistance provided to certain veterans for flight training; H.R. 3577, Education Assistance to Realign New Eligibilities for Dependents (EARNED) Act of 2009; and other draft legislation, 1 p.m., 334 Cannon.

*Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming*, hearing entitled “Solar Heats Up: Accelerating Widespread Deployment,” 1:30 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.