

Mercury and Pluto, and which play valuable roles in understanding the Sun's impact on Earth's atmosphere. These contributions to understanding and exploring our universe cannot be overstated. They are major achievements that will lead to decades of scientific study and achievement.

So as Dr. Roca comes to the end of his tenure, I want to thank him for his tireless service, his devotion to excellence, his dedication to the mission of the Applied Physics Lab, and for his inspired leadership in keeping APL at the cutting edge of keeping our Nation safe and advancing valuable science in hundreds of different areas. We wish you the very best, Dr. Roca, in whatever the next chapter in your professional life holds for you. Wherever that takes you, know that you will always and forever be a member of the Maryland family.●

TRIBUTE TO DOROTHY CLARA
KRALICEK AND DELLA MARIE
GOEGEN

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize Dorothy Clara Kralicek and Della Marie Goegen.

Dorothy and Della were born on April 8, 1920, at the family farm near Menominee, NE, where they learned about the true riches of family life. Today, they both live in Yankton, SD, continuing to pass along family values and faith as matriarchs of their vast families. Between them, they have 18 children and numerous grandchildren.

Dorothy and Della are both excellent homemakers and have recently enjoyed traveling together to several sites in Europe. On Mother's Day, May 9, 2010, both ladies will be honored by a gathering of family and friends in Sioux Falls, SD.

This honorable recognition is clearly well deserved. Dorothy and Della's dedication to their families is a shining example of the steadfast commitment, devotion, and inspiration they have freely given to everyone throughout their lives.

It gives me great pleasure to commemorate the 90th birthdays of Dorothy and Della and to wish them continued health and happiness in the years to come.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mrs. Neiman, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

PROPOSED AGREEMENT FOR CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA CONCERNING PEACEFUL USES OF NUCLEAR ENERGY—PM 52

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

To the Congress of the United States:

I am pleased to transmit to the Congress, pursuant to sections 123b. and 123d. of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2153(b), (d)) (the "Act"), the text of a proposed Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Australia Concerning Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy. I am also pleased to transmit my written approval, authorization, and determination concerning the Agreement, and an unclassified Nuclear Proliferation Assessment Statement (NPAS) concerning the Agreement. In accordance with section 123 of the Act, as amended by title XII of the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 (Public Law 105-277), a classified annex to the NPAS, prepared by the Secretary of State in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence, summarizing relevant classified information, will be submitted to the Congress separately. The joint memorandum submitted to me by the Secretaries of State and Energy and a letter from the Chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission stating the views of the Commission are also enclosed.

The proposed Agreement has been negotiated in accordance with the Act and other applicable law. In my judgment, it meets all applicable statutory requirements and will advance the non-proliferation and other foreign policy interests of the United States.

The proposed Agreement provides a comprehensive framework for peaceful nuclear cooperation with Australia based on a mutual commitment to nuclear nonproliferation. The Agreement has an initial term of 30 years from the date of its entry into force, and will continue in force thereafter for additional periods of 5 years each, unless terminated by either party on 6 months' advance written notice at the end of the initial 30-year term or at the conclusion of any of the additional 5-year periods. The proposed Agreement permits the transfer of information, material, equipment (including reactors), and components for nuclear research and nuclear power production. It does not permit transfers of Restricted Data, sensitive nuclear technology, sensitive nuclear facilities, or major critical components of such facilities. In the event of termination of the proposed Agreement, key non-proliferation conditions and controls continue with respect to material,

equipment, and components subject to the proposed Agreement.

Australia is a non-nuclear weapon state party to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT). Australia has concluded a Safeguards Agreement and Additional Protocol with the International Atomic Energy Agency. Australia is a party to the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material, which establishes international standards of physical protection for the use, storage, and transport of nuclear material. It is also a member of the Nuclear Suppliers Group, whose non-legally binding guidelines set forth standards for the responsible export of nuclear commodities for peaceful use. A more detailed discussion of Australia's domestic civil nuclear activities and its nuclear non-proliferation policies and practices, including its nuclear export policies and practices, is provided in the NPAS and the NPAS classified annex submitted to the Congress separately.

I have considered the views and recommendations of the interested agencies in reviewing the proposed Agreement and have determined that its performance will promote, and will not constitute an unreasonable risk to, the common defense and security. Accordingly, I have approved the Agreement and authorized its execution. I urge the Congress to give it favorable consideration.

This transmission shall constitute a submittal for purposes of both sections 123b. and 123d. of the Act. My Administration is prepared to begin immediately the consultations with the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations and the House Committee on Foreign Affairs as provided in section 123b. Upon completion of the 30 days of continuous session review provided for in section 123b., the 60 days of continuous session review provided for in section 123d. shall commence.

BARACK OBAMA.
THE WHITE HOUSE, May 5, 2010.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:25 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 24. An act to redesignate the Department of the Navy as the Department of the Navy and Marine Corps.

At 1:13 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that pursuant to Executive Order No. 12131, and the order of the House of January 6, 2009, the Speaker appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the President's Export Council: Ms. LINDA T. SANCHEZ of California, Mr. WU of Oregon, and Mr. SCHAUER of Michigan.

At 2:01 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by