

complied with the provisions of Security Council resolution 1696 (2006), 1737 (2006) and 1747 (2007) . . .”;

Whereas at July 2009's G-8 Summit in Italy, Iran was given a September 2009 deadline to start negotiations over its nuclear programs and Iran offered a five-page document lamenting the “ungodly ways of thinking prevailing in global relations” and included various subjects, but left out any mention of Iran's own nuclear program which was the true issue in question;

Whereas the United States has been fully committed to finding a peaceful resolution to the Iranian nuclear threat, and has made boundless efforts seeking such a resolution and to determine if such a resolution is even possible;

Whereas the United States does not want or seek war with Iran, but it will continue to keep all options open to prevent Iran from obtaining nuclear weapons; and

Whereas Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu said in January 2011 that a change of course in Iran will not be possible “without a credible military option that is put before them by the international community led by the United States.”

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The resolution ultimately says that, in addition to condemning the government of the Islamic Republic of Iran for its threats of annihilation, it supports using all means of persuading the government of Iran to stop building and acquiring nuclear weapons, reaffirms the United States bond with Israel.

But ultimately, No. 4 says that, in this resolution, we express our support for Israel's right to use all means necessary to confront and eliminate nuclear threats posed by Iran, defend Israeli sovereignty, and protect the lives and safety of the Israeli people, including the use of military force, if no other peaceful solution can be found within a reasonable time.

Now, we know that in May of last year, President Barack Obama addressed the American-Israeli PAC here in Washington, D.C. And one of the statements that has not been lost on Israel, and should not be lost on the people who elected President Obama, and it certainly hasn't been lost on Iran, the President made this statement: “Israel must be able to defend itself by itself.”

This was made May 19, 2011. “Israel must be able to defend itself by itself.”

Ever since the President made those statements, it certainly seems that Israel has taken the President's words to heart. And yet, instead of the United States doing, as had been promised on many occasions, standing by Israel, our great ally, instead, our Defense Secretary, knowing that he's talking to a Washington Post reporter, knowing that it's not on background, knows that it will likely be reported, basically uses the opportunity to alert the nation whose leaders say they want to wipe Israel off the map, annihilate Israel, annihilate the United States, basically, tells Iran, hey, heads up. Israel may be coming in the next few months. Look out. Israel may be coming in the next few months.

It's still a mystery why our Defense Secretary, and he's a very smart man, why he would make such a statement without authority, because he's not subject to the slips like outing SEAL Team Six as the ones who took out Osama Bin Laden, or outing the undisclosed location, as the Vice President has done. He's a man not subject normally to those kind of gaffes.

This Defense Secretary warns Iran, as if the pressure behind the scenes this administration's been putting on our dear friend Israel was not enough, so now we've got to alert Israel's enemy, Iran. I hope that the administration will come out and give a good and legitimate answer to how such a warning to Iran helps Israel.

And I would commend to anyone, Mr. Speaker, interested in going online and reading in The Jerusalem Post an article dated February 7, 2012, by my friend, Caroline Glick, titled, “Our World: Obama's rhetorical storm.” I would commend that to everyone.

The truth is, we should stand by Israel. Iran, with nuclear weapons, is a threat to us, not merely to Israel. And this Nation should not leave it to Israel, without our best bunker busters, without our AWACs, without our satellites, without our stealth technology. We should not put them in the position of having to defend us with lesser weapons capability.

And I hope and pray that this administration will look more carefully at who the real enemy is, look more carefully at which nation was willing to come back to the peace table, willing to freeze the development of new housing areas, and which one was not, and which one of the nations, which one of the groups of people, in this case, the people of the West Bank, the Palestinians, their complete refusal to even recognize Israel's right to exist, their continuing teaching of children in the Palestinian areas that the Israelis are occupiers of Palestinian land. It's throughout the teaching of the children in the Palestinian areas, and they're doing that with our money. We're sending them money to teach children to hate Israel so that there can't be peace. It's time to look more carefully at where we're spending our money.

With that, Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

BILL PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House reports that on February 8, 2012 she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bill.

H.R. 658. To amend title 49, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Aviation Administration for fiscal years 2011 through 2014, to streamline programs, create efficiencies, reduce waste, and improve aviation safety and capacity, to provide stable funding for the national aviation system, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. GOHMERT. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 7 o'clock and 56 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, February 9, 2012, at 9 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

4905. A letter from the Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Swap Data Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements (RIN: 3038-AD19) received January 12, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4906. A letter from the Deputy Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — New Animal Drugs; Cephalosporin Drugs; Extralabel Animal Drug Use; Order of Prohibition [Docket No.: FDA-2008-N-0326] received January 17, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4907. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's report on assistance provided for sporting events during calendar year 2011; to the Committee on Armed Services.

4908. A letter from the Chairman and President, Export-Import Bank, transmitting a report on transactions involving U.S. exports to Mexico pursuant to Section 2(b)(3) of the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945, as amended; to the Committee on Financial Services.

4909. A letter from the Acting Chief, Planning and Regulatory Affairs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Applying for Free and Reduced Price Meals in the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program and for Benefits in the Special Milk Program, and Technical Amendments [FNS-2007-0023] (RIN: 0584-AD54) received January 10, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

4910. A letter from the Deputy Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Medical Devices; Ovarian Adnexal Mass Assessment Score Test System; Labeling; Black Box Restrictions [Docket No.: FDA-2011-D-0028] received January 17, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4911. A letter from the Deputy Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Temperature-Indicating Devices; Thermally Processed Low-Acid Foods Packaged in Hermetically Sealed Containers; Correction [Docket No.: FDA-2007-N-0265] (formerly 2007N-2006) received January 17, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4912. A letter from the Deputy Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Revisions to Labeling Requirements for Blood and Blood Components, Including Source Plasma [Docket No.: FDA-2003-N-0097] (Formerly 2003N-0211) received January 17, 2012, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.