

countries that can tap other financing resources.

The World Bank is at a critical juncture. The Bank needs to pursue serious reforms, especially in the areas of corruption and transparency. It must not be used to push social agendas and political priorities to the detriment of poor nations, or to use donor funds in a manner that is not cost-effective. The United States representative must be a strong advocate for reform and accountability. I do not believe that Sara Aviel is the person to get that job done.

It is for these reasons that I oppose the nomination of Sara Aviel.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is, Will the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of Sara Margalit Aviel to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development?

The nomination was confirmed.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the Senate consider the following nominations: Calendar Nos. 261, 338, 339, 340, 665, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 706, 707, 708, 710, 711, 712, 713, 715, 716, 717, 725, 727 through 757, and 758; and all nominations placed on the Secretary's desk in the Air Force, Army, Foreign Service, Marine Corps, and Navy; that the nominations be confirmed en bloc, the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, there being no intervening action or debate, and no further motions be in order to any of the nominations; that any related statements be printed in the RECORD; that President Obama be immediately notified of the Senate's action and the Senate then resume legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nominations considered and confirmed are as follows:

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Matthew Francis McCabe, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2013.

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION

Anthony Frank D'Agostino, of Maryland, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2011.

Anthony Frank D'Agostino, of Maryland, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2014.

Gregory Karawan, of Virginia, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2013.

Roy Wallace McLeese III, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals for the term of fifteen years.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Adam E. Sieminski, of Pennsylvania, to be Administrator of the Energy Information Administration.

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Anthony T. Clark, of North Dakota, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for the term expiring June 30, 2016.

John Robert Norris, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for the term expiring June 30, 2017.

THE JUDICIARY

Margaret Bartley, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims for the term of fifteen years.

Coral Wong Pietsch, of Hawaii, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims for the term of fifteen years.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Michael A. Raynor, of Maryland, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Benin.

Scott H. DeLisi, of Minnesota, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Uganda.

Makila James, of the District of Columbia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Kingdom of Swaziland.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Jessica Lynn Wright, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

James N. Miller, Jr., of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Policy.

Frank Kendall III, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics.

Erin C. Conaton, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness.

Derek H. Chollet, of Nebraska, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Kathleen H. Hicks, of Virginia, to be a Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Joseph G. Jordan, of Massachusetts, to be Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Katharina G. McFarland, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

AIR FORCE

The following Air National Guard of the United States officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Michael D. Dubie

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

To be brigadier general

Col. Bobby V. Page

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be general

Gen. Philip M. Breedlove

The following named officer for appointment as the Vice Chief of Staff, United

States Air Force, and appointment to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., sections 8034 and 601:

To be general

Lt. Gen. Larry O. Spencer

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Noel T. Jones

The following Air National Guard of the United States officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Air Force to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., sections 12203 and 12212:

To be brigadier general

Col. Wayne A. Zimmet

IN THE ARMY

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Theodore C. Nicholas

The following named officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be brigadier general

Col. Francisco A. Espallat

The following Army National Guard of the United States officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., sections 12203 and 12211:

To be major general

Brig. Gen. William R. Phillips, II

The following named officers for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grades indicated under title 10, U.S.C., sections 12203 and 12211:

To be major general

Brigadier General Leslie J. Carroll

Brigadier General Bryan R. Lenon

Brigadier General Gary A. Medvigy

Brigadier General David W. Puster

Brigadier General Megan P. Tatu

Brigadier General Daniel L. York

Brigadier General James V. Young, Jr.

To be brigadier general

Colonel Douglas F. Anderson

Colonel Danny C. Baldwin

Colonel William P. Barriage

Colonel Leanne P. Burch

Colonel Mitchell R. Chitwood

Colonel Stephen K. Curda

Colonel Arlan M. Deblieck

Colonel Chris R. Gentry

Colonel Norman B. Green

Colonel Lewis G. Irwin

Colonel Phillip S. Jolly

Colonel Robert A. Karmazin

Colonel Troy D. Kok

Colonel William S. Lee

Colonel Tammy S. Smith

Colonel Michael S. Toumey

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. Michael T. Flynn

IN THE MARINE CORPS

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Marine Corps to

the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. Thomas D. Waldhauser

The following named officer for appointment to the grade of lieutenant general in the United States Marine Corps while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Jon M. Davis

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Marine Corps to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. Robert E. Schmidle, Jr.

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Marine Corps to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. Terry G. Robling

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Marine Corps Reserve to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be brigadier general

Col. Burke W. Whitman

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Marine Corps Reserve to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be major general

Brig. Gen. James M. Lariviere

The following named officer for appointment to the grade of lieutenant general in the United States Marine Corps while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. John M. Paxton, Jr.

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Marine Corps to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. John A. Toolan, Jr.

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Marine Corps Reserve to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be brigadier general

Col. Paul K. Lebidine

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Marine Corps to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. Robert B. Neller

IN THE NAVY

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be admiral

Vice Adm. William E. Gortney

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be vice admiral

Rear Adm. Kurt W. Tidd

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be vice admiral

Vice Adm. David H. Buss

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be vice admiral

Rear Adm. Michelle J. Howard

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be vice admiral

Rear Adm. Thomas H. Copeman, III

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be vice admiral

Vice Adm. Richard W. Hunt

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. John F. Kirby

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. Brian B. Brown

JAMES MADISON MEMORIAL FELLOWSHIP
FOUNDATION

Drew R. McCoy, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation for a term expiring January 27, 2016.

Pauline R. Maier, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation for a term expiring November 17, 2017.

U.S. PAROLE COMMISSION

Charles Thomas Massarone, of Kentucky, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission for a term of six years.

NOMINATIONS PLACED ON THE SECRETARY'S
DESK

IN THE AIR FORCE

PN1541 AIR FORCE nomination of Tonya R. Everleth, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 23, 2012.

PN1542 AIR FORCE nominations (2) beginning CRAIG W. HINKLEY, and ending CHAD A. SPELLMAN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 23, 2012.

PN1543 AIR FORCE nominations (2) beginning JOHANN S. WESTPHALL, and ending ELIESA A. ING, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 23, 2012.

PN1544 AIR FORCE nominations (15) beginning MARK J. BATCHO, and ending FREDERICK C. WEAVER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 23, 2012.

PN1586 AIR FORCE nomination of Robert M. Ague, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 10, 2012.

PN1587 AIR FORCE nominations (5) beginning LESLIE A. WOOD, and ending MAT-

THEW L. SMITH, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 10, 2012.

PN1588 AIR FORCE nominations (66) beginning NATHAN BARRY ALHOLINNA, and ending CRAIG M. ZIEMBA, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 10, 2012.

PN1639 AIR FORCE nomination of James J. Renda, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 14, 2012.

PN1640 AIR FORCE nomination of August S. Hein, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 14, 2012.

PN1641 AIR FORCE nominations (3) beginning CHRISTOPHER J. MATHEWS, and ending TIMOTHY K. WILLIAMS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 14, 2012.

IN THE ARMY

PN1547 ARMY nomination of Israel Mercado, Jr., which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 23, 2012.

PN1548 ARMY nominations (3) beginning FRANCIS J. EVON, JR., and ending MARK S. WELLMAN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 23, 2012.

PN1558 ARMY nomination of Chadwick B. Fletcher, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 25, 2012.

PN1589 ARMY nominations (2) beginning Rhanda J. Brockington, and ending Vickie M. Schnackel, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 10, 2012.

PN1590 ARMY nominations (2) beginning Richard A. Daniels, and ending Daniel J. Holdwick, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 10, 2012.

PN1591 ARMY nominations (2) beginning Andrew C. Gallo, and ending Christa M. Lewis, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 10, 2012.

PN1592 ARMY nomination of John C. Moffitt, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 10, 2012.

PN1593 ARMY nomination of Mimms J. Mabee, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 10, 2012.

PN1594 ARMY nomination of Jonelle J. Knapp, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 10, 2012.

PN1595 ARMY nomination of Robert E. Bessey, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 10, 2012.

PN1596 ARMY nomination of Laurel A. Thurston, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 10, 2012.

PN1597 ARMY nomination of Tina M. Morgan, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 10, 2012.

PN1598 ARMY nominations (2) beginning KARL W. HUBBARD, and ending BENJAMIN N. HOFFMAN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 10, 2012.

PN1599 ARMY nominations (7) beginning JOANN B. COUCH, and ending RICHARD J. YOON, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 10, 2012.

PN1642 ARMY nomination of Ricardo A. Bravo, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 14, 2012.

PN1643 ARMY nomination of Matthew W. Moffitt, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 14, 2012.

PN1644 ARMY nomination of Nathaniel V. Chittick, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 14, 2012.

PN1645 ARMY nomination of Lauri M. Zike, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 14, 2012.

PN1646 ARMY nomination of Timothy A. Crane, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 14, 2012.

PN1647 ARMY nomination of Ryan L. Jerke, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 14, 2012.

PN1648 ARMY nomination of Matthew R. Sun, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 14, 2012.

PN1649 ARMY nominations (3) beginning GREGORY P. CHANEY, and ending LAWRENCE E. SCHLOEGL, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 14, 2012.

PN1650 ARMY nominations (4) beginning AMY F. COOK, and ending PAUL S. TAMARIBUCHI, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 14, 2012.

PN1651 ARMY nominations (36) beginning MICHAEL I. ALLEN, and ending MATTHEW S. WYSOCKI, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 14, 2012.

FOREIGN SERVICE

PN1375 FOREIGN SERVICE nominations (14) beginning Robert E. Drapcho, and ending Robert P. Schmidt, Jr., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of February 13, 2012.

PN1407 FOREIGN SERVICE nominations (235) beginning Kathryn E. Abate, and ending Timothy J. Riley, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of February 29, 2012.

IN THE MARINE CORPS

PN1334 MARINE CORPS nominations (362) beginning MARTIN L. ABREU, and ending ROBERT C. ZYLA, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of February 1, 2012.

IN THE NAVY

PN1304 NAVY nomination of John D. Wilshusen, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 31, 2012.

PN1339 NAVY nomination of Peter J. Oldmixon, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of February 1, 2012.

PN1421 NAVY nomination of Guillermo A. Navarro, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of February 29, 2012.

PN1446 NAVY nomination of Raymond J. Houk, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 12, 2012.

PN1474 NAVY nomination of Jason D. Weddle, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 19, 2012.

PN1549 NAVY nomination of Andrew J. Strickler, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 23, 2012.

PN1550 NAVY nomination of Andrew K. Ledford, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 23, 2012.

PN1551 NAVY nominations (14) beginning JOHN L. GRIMWOOD, and ending ROBYN M. TREADWELL, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 23, 2012.

PN1552 NAVY nominations (41) beginning DARIUS V. AHMADI, and ending SCOTT D. WOODS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 23, 2012.

PN1600 NAVY nomination of Matthew F. Phelps, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 10, 2012.

PN1626 NAVY nomination of Eric J. Skalski, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 10, 2012.

PN1627 NAVY nomination of Ted J. Steelman, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 10, 2012.

PN1628 NAVY nomination of David A. Moore, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 10, 2012.

PN1652 NAVY nomination of Steven J. Porter, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 14, 2012.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate resumes legislative session.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent that on Monday, June 4, 2012 at 5 p.m., the Senate proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 613; that there be 30 minutes of debate equally divided in the usual form; that upon the use or yielding back of that time, the Senate proceed to vote, with no intervening action on the nomination; the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid on the table, with no intervening action or debate; that no further motions be in order; that any further statements be printed in the RECORD; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action and the Senate then resume legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

INTERNATIONAL PROTECTING GIRLS BY PREVENTING CHILD MARRIAGE ACT OF 2011

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent the Senate proceed to consideration of Calendar No. 412, S. 414.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 414) to protect girls in developing countries through the prevention of child marriage, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, I rise today to urge that the Senate pass S. 414, the "Protecting Girls by Preventing Child Marriage Act." As the

Senate prepares to approve this bipartisan measure, we should take a moment to acknowledge and reflect upon the critical impact this legislation will have on the estimated 100 million girls in developing countries who are at risk of being married as children over the next decade.

The harmful practice of forced child marriage often exacerbates social, economic, and political instability in the developing world, and can prohibit smooth economic and political transition.

For example, Afghanistan's high female illiteracy rates and maternal mortality rates are among the most significant obstacles standing in the way of long-term progress and stability. Without ending child marriage, which remains one of the many underlying catalysts of these poor outcomes, the road ahead for women in Afghanistan will be all the more grueling. And women in Afghanistan are by no means alone in the struggle the discriminatory norms that perpetuate child marriage also prohibit full participation of women in the economic and political life in many other regions of the world.

According to the United Nations Children's Fund—UNICEF—an estimated 60,000,000 girls between the ages of 20 through 24 were married before they turned 18. The Population Council estimates that the number will increase by 100 million over the next decade if current trends continue. In addition to denying these tens of millions of women and girls their dignity, child marriage continues to endanger their health. Marriage at an early age puts girls at greater risk of dying as a result of childbirth. Pregnancy and childbirth complications are the leading cause of death for women 15 to 19 years old in most Third World countries.

Furthermore, women and girls are the world's greatest untapped resources. Studies conducted by the Food and Agricultural Organization—FAO—have confirmed that women are the main-stay of small scale agriculture, farm labor, and day-to-day family subsistence accounting for half of the world's food production.

However, child marriage continues to be a barrier to the improvement of society and the development of these young women. And, unfortunately, early marriages continue to pull girls out of school and prohibit them from gaining vital skills to engage in income generating activities, actively participate in efforts to shape their communities, and often block their ability to achieve food security.

I am heartened to see the United States Senate affirm the United States' commitment to promote the basic human rights of all individuals and through this small step improve the lives of millions of girls by passing this bill today.

Before closing, let me briefly commend my friend and colleague, Senator DURBIN of Illinois. He has been a leader on this topic for a number of years and