

don't think I have it. I do want to mention, though, that one of our colleagues in the Senate, a Democrat, Democrat from New Jersey, Senator MENENDEZ, wrote a letter to former President Jimmy Carter where he expressed, and I will be submitting that for the RECORD, Mr. Speaker, where he expressed what Jimmy Carter, what former President Jimmy Carter should be talking about. And he expressed how it was rather incredible that the former President would not demand the freedom of the Cuban people and would criticize the policies of the United States.

And as Senator MENENDEZ says in that letter, the issue is not what the policy of the United States is with the Cuban regime. The issue is the policies of the regime and the oppression of the regime with its own people. And once again, Senator MENENDEZ, Democrat from New Jersey, is right on.

With that, Mr. Speaker, I just want to again say that we do not forget the heroes in the island. We do not forget those who are struggling and working and speaking out and suffering the consequences for their actions in the island. We do not forget them. We admire them. We support them. We are humbled by their courage. We are humbled by their love for freedom and what they are willing to sacrifice for that freedom, and we know that sooner than I think some may believe and clearly sooner than some would like, they too will be free. They too will be able to discuss the issues in public. They too will be able to make the determination as to the future of their country.

I am encouraged and humbled by their leadership, despite sometimes the

sadness of what we have to listen to by those who still continue to call Fidel Castro their good friend.

MARCH 29, 2011.

Hon. JIMMY CARTER,
The Carter Center, One Copenhill,
Freedom Parkway, Atlanta, GA.

DEAR PRESIDENT CARTER: I am writing to express my grave concern about your visit to Cuba this week to discuss improving U.S.-Cuba relations.

Your visit suggests that the improvement of relations between the United States and Cuba is contingent upon some action by the United States, rather than acknowledging that it is Cuba's intolerant and tyrannical actions that continue to define the future of U.S.-Cuba relations. While you are visiting with President Castro and other Cuban officials to learn about new economic policies and the upcoming party Congress, the regime's thugs are in the streets harassing and arresting scores of political dissidents who dared to hope that you would hear their pleas and argue on their behalf for the adoption of political reforms. The fate of American Alan Gross, a USAID contractor who sought to assist the island's Jewish community, also hangs in the balance while you meet with the political elite that are directing the crackdown on Cuba's peaceful civil society activists. On Sunday, the regime detained activists Adriano Castañeda Meneses, Yris Tamara Pérez Aguilera and Jorge Luis García Pérez Antúnez and on Monday, Liranza Romero, president of the Cuban Youth for Democracy Movement and Boris Rodríguez Jiménez were arrested when they attempted to stand in front of the Capitol with signs reading "Freedom without Forced Exile for Cuba's Political Prisoners" and "The Streets belong to the Cuban People."

I urge you to address with President Castro the aspirations of Cuba's civil society to live in a democratic state whose laws are derived and implemented by their democratically elected representatives and are based on the core principles of respect for human and civil

rights, including the freedom of expression and freedom of assembly.

As we witness unprecedented movements for democratic change in the Middle East, I appeal to you to recognize that same heartfelt desire amongst the Cuban people and to urge the regime to fulfill the democratic aspirations of the Cuban people.

Sincerely,

SENATOR ROBERT MENENDEZ.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. BARTON of Texas (at the request of Mr. CANTOR) from noon today and for the balance of the week on account of a death in the family.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 1079. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend the airport improvement program, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. DIAZ-BALART. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 8 o'clock and 20 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, March 31, 2011, at 10 a.m. for morning-hour debate.

EXPENDITURE REPORTS CONCERNING OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL

Reports concerning the foreign currencies and U.S. dollars utilized for Speaker-Authorized Official Travel during the fourth quarter of 2010 and the first quarter of 2011 pursuant to Public Law 95-384 are as follows:

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, DELEGATION TO KUWAIT, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN FEB. 20 AND FEB. 26, 2010

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Hon. David Dreier	2/20	2/21	Kuwait		425.00		(9)				425.00
Hon. David Price	2/20	2/21	Kuwait		316.00		(9)				316.00
Hon. Lois Capps	2/20	2/21	Kuwait		425.00		(9)				425.00
Hon. Sam Farr	2/20	2/21	Kuwait		425.00		(9)				425.00
Hon. Jim McDermott	2/20	2/21	Kuwait		425.00		(9)				425.00
Rachael Leman	2/20	2/21	Kuwait		425.00		(9)				425.00
Brad Smith	2/20	2/21	Kuwait		425.00		(9)				425.00
Robert Lawrence	2/20	2/21	Kuwait		425.00		(9)				425.00
John Lis	2/20	2/21	Kuwait		425.00		(9)				425.00
Asher Hildebrand	2/20	2/21	Kuwait		316.00		(9)				316.00
Brian Monahan	2/20	2/21	Kuwait		425.00		(9)				425.00
Hon. David Dreier	2/21	2/25	Indonesia		777.00		(9)				777.00
Hon. David Price	2/21	2/25	Indonesia		681.00		(9)				681.00
Hon. Lois Capps	2/21	2/25	Indonesia		777.00		(9)				777.00
Hon. Sam Farr	2/21	2/25	Indonesia		777.00		(9)				777.00
Hon. Jim McDermott	2/21	2/25	Indonesia		777.00		(9)				777.00
Rachael Leman	2/21	2/25	Indonesia		777.00		(9)				777.00
Brad Smith	2/21	2/25	Indonesia		777.00		(9)				777.00
Robert Lawrence	2/21	2/25	Indonesia		777.00		(9)				777.00
John Lis	2/21	2/25	Indonesia		777.00		(9)				777.00
Asher Hildebrand	2/21	2/25	Indonesia		711.00		(9)				711.00
Brian Monahan	2/21	2/25	Indonesia		777.00		(9)				777.00
Hon. David Dreier	2/25	2/26	Timor-Leste		190.00		(9)				190.00
Hon. David Price	2/25	2/26	Timor-Leste		165.00		(9)				165.00
Hon. Lois Capps	2/25	2/26	Timor-Leste		190.00		(9)				190.00
Hon. Sam Farr	2/25	2/26	Timor-Leste		190.00		(9)				190.00
Hon. Jim McDermott	2/25	2/26	Timor-Leste		190.00		(9)				190.00
Rachael Leman	2/25	2/26	Timor-Leste		176.00		(9)				176.00
Brad Smith	2/25	2/26	Timor-Leste		176.00		(9)				176.00
Robert Lawrence	2/25	2/26	Timor-Leste		190.00		(9)				190.00
John Lis	2/25	2/26	Timor-Leste		190.00		(9)				190.00

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, DELEGATION TO KUWAIT, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN FEB. 20 AND FEB. 26, 2010—Continued

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²
Asher Hildebrand	2/25	2/26	Timor-Leste		165.00		(3)				165.00
Brian Monahan	2/25	2/26	Timor-Leste		190.00		(3)				190.00
Committee total					14,854.00						14,854.00

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.
² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.
³ Military air transportation.

HON. DAVID DREIER.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS OF OFFICIAL CONDUCT, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN OCT. 1 AND DEC. 31, 2010

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem ¹		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency ²

HOUSE COMMITTEES

Please Note: If there were no expenditures during the calendar quarter noted above, please check the box at right to so indicate and return.

¹ Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.
² If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

HON. JO BONNER.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

933. A letter from the Acting Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, Department of Defense, transmitting the 2011 report on vulnerability assessments, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2859; to the Committee on Armed Services.

934. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Safety of Facilities, Infrastructure, and Equipment for Military Operations (DFARS Case 2009-D029) (RIN: 0750-AG73) received March 17, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

935. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Multiyear Contract Authority for Electricity from Renewable Energy Resources (DFARS Case 2008-D006) (RIN: 0750-AG48) received March 17, 2011, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

936. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting Transmittal No. 10-78, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

937. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 10-135, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

938. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 10-135, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

939. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 10-137, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

940. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 10-137, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

941. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 10-144, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

942. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 10-144, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

943. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 10-143, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

944. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 10-133, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

945. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 10-145, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

946. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Memorandum of Justification regarding the determination under Title II of the Foreign Appropriations, Export Financing and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2002; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

947. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a certification relating to Pakistan; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

948. A letter from the Inspector General, House of Representatives, transmitting the

final report on the Atlas Deployment Support Project; to the Committee on House Administration.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. WEBSTER: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 189. Resolution providing for consideration of the 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 (Rept. 112-46). Referred to the House Calendar.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. SMITH of Texas (for himself, Mr. GOODLATTE, and Mr. ISSA):

H.R. 1249. A bill to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide for patent reform; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. HIRONO (for herself, Ms. HANABUSA, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. FALCOMVAEGA, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. COLE, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. HONDA, Mr. KILDEE, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. FARR, Mr. STARK, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. BOSWELL, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. CARNAHAN, Mr. WALZ of Minnesota, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. SABLAN, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. MCINTYRE, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, and Mrs. NAPOLITANO):

H.R. 1250. A bill to express the policy of the United States regarding the United States