For further information regarding this meeting, please contact the committee on (202) 224-5375.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. HARKIN, Mr. President, I wish to announce that the Subcommittee on Children and Families of the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions will meet in open session on Thursday, September 8, 2011, at 10:15 a.m. in SH-216 to conduct a hearing entitled "Examining Quality and Safety in Child Care: Giving Working Families Security, Confidence, and Peace of Mind."

For further information regarding this meeting, please contact the subcommittee on (202) 224-9243.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I wish to announce that the Subcommittee on Primary Health and Aging of the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions will meet in open session on Tuesday, September 13, 2011, at 10 a.m. in SD-428 to conduct a hearing entitled "Is Poverty a Death Sentence?"

For further information regarding this meeting, please contact the subcommittee on (202) 224-5480.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 6, 2011,

at 2:30 p.m.
The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 6, 2011, at 2 p.m. to conduct a hearing entitled "U.S. Postal Service in Crisis: Proposals to Prevent a Postal Shutdown.'

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

RELATIVE TO THE DEATH OF THE HONORABLE MARK O. HATFIELD, FORMER U.S. SENATOR FOR THE STATE OF OREGON

Mr. DURBIN. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 257 submitted earlier today.
The PRESIDING OFFICER. The

clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows: A resolution (S. Res. 257) relative to the death of the Honorable Mark O. Hatfield, former United States Senator for the State of Oregon.

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

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, first I ask unanimous consent to be added as a cosponsor of this resolution.

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

Mr. DURBIN. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate, and that any statements related to the bill be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without

objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 257) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 257

Whereas from 1967 to 1997 Mark Hatfield represented the people of Oregon with distinction for 30 years in the Senate, and was the longest-serving Senator in the history of Oregon:

Whereas Mark Hatfield served in the United States Navy during World War II with the rank of Lieutenant, took part in the battles of Iwo Jima and Okinawa as a landing craft officer, and was one of the first people from the United States to see the effects of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima;

Whereas Mark Hatfield served in the Oregon House of Representatives, in the Oregon Senate, and as Oregon Secretary of State;

Whereas in 1958, Mark Hatfield was elected as the 29th Governor of the State of Oregon, and served 2 terms as Governor and helped diversify the State's economy;

Whereas while serving in the United States Senate, Mark Hatfield co-authored legislation to bring United States troops home from Vietnam and to end nuclear weapons

Whereas Mark Hatfield authored legislation to protect a number of Oregon's natural treasures including Oregon Dunes, Opal Creek, Bull Run, and the Mark Hatfield Wilderness Area in the Columbia Gorge;

Whereas Mark Hatfield served as Chairman of the Senate Committee on Appropriations in the 97th through 99th Congresses and in the 104th Congress;

Whereas Mark Hatfield was a champion of civil rights who devoted himself to promoting a peaceful resolution to international conflict and the elimination of the threat of nuclear weapons; and

Whereas the hallmarks of Mark Hatfield's public service were bipartisanship, civility, and working for the common good: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved That-

(1) the Senate has heard with profound sorrow and deep regret the announcement of the death of the Honorable Mark Hatfield. former member of the Senate:

(2) the Secretary of the Senate communicate this resolution to the House of Representatives and transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to the family of the deceased: and

(3) when the Senate adjourns today, the Senate stands adjourned as a further mark of respect to the memory of the Honorable Mark Hatfield.

MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—H.J. RES 66

Mr. DURBIN. I understand that H.J. Res. 66 introduced earlier today is at the desk, and I ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the joint resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows: A joint resolution (H.J. Res. 66) approving the renewal of import restrictions contained

in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003.

Mr. DURBIN. I ask for its second reading and object to my own request.
The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard.

The bill will have its second reading on the next legislative day.

APPOINTMENTS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair announces the following appointment made by the majority leader during the recess:

Pursuant to Public Law 112–25, on behalf of the majority leader, the appointment of the following Senators to serve as members of the Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction on August 20, 2011: the Honorable PATTY MURRAY of Washington, Co-Chair, the Honorable Max Baucus of Montana, and the Honorable John F. Kerry of Massachusetts.

The Chair announces the following appointment made by the Republican leader during the recess: Pursuant to Public Law 112-25, on behalf of the Republican leader, the appointment of the following Senators to serve as members of the Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction on August 12, 2011: the Honorable Jon Kyl of Arizona, the Honorable ROB PORTMAN of Ohio, and the Honorable Patrick J. Toomey of Pennsylvania.

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2011

Mr. DURBIN. I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, September 7; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; that following leader remarks, the Senate be in a period of morning business for 1 hour, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each, with the time equally divided and controlled between the two leaders or their designees, with the majority controlling the first half and the Republicans controlling the final half; that following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to H.R. 1249, the America Invents Act: further, that the Senate recess from 12:30 to 2:15 p.m. to allow for the weekly caucus meetings and that at 12:30 p.m. there be 30 minutes for tributes to the late Senator Mark O. Hatfield as in morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes each. Finally, I ask unanimous consent that all time during adjournment, recess, and morning business count postcloture on the motion to proceed to H.R. 1249.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, we expect to begin consideration of the America Invents Act—the patent reform bill—during Wednesday's session.

Senators will be notified when votes are scheduled.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it adjourn under the provisions of S. Res. 257 as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Senator Mark O. Hatfield, of Oregon.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:53 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, September 7, 2011, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

ALAN B. KRUEGER, OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS, VICE AUSTAN DEAN GOOLSBEE, RESIGNED.

FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

MICHAEL A. KHOURI, OF KENTUCKY, TO BE A FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSIONER FOR A TERM EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2016. (REAPPOINTMENT)

AMTRAK BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ALBERT DICLEMENTE, OF DELAWARE, TO BE A DIREC-TOR OF THE AMTRAK BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS, (REAPPOINTMENT)

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MARK FRANCIS BRZEZINSKI, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AM-

MARK FRANCIS BRZEZINSKI, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AM-BASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO SWEDEN. SUSAN DENISE PAGE, OF ILLINOIS, TO BE AMBAS-SADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN.

ADAM E. NAMM, OF NEW YORK, 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 ECUADOR.

INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

SARA MARGALIT AVIEL, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE UNITED STATES ALTERNATE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS, VICE ANA M. GUEVARA.

INTER-AMERICAN FOUNDATION

EDUARDO ARRIOLA, OF FLORIDA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE INTER-AMERICAN

FOUNDATION FOR A TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 6, 2016, VICE KAY KELLEY ARNOLD, TERM EXPIRED.

J. KELLY RYAN, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE INTER-AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 20, 2012, VICE THOMAS A. SHANNON, JR., RESIGNED.

FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD

DANA KATHERINE BILYEU, OF NEVADA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 11, 2015.

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DAVID AVREN JONES, OF CONNECTICUT, TO BE A MEM-BER OF THE FEDERAL RETUREMENT THRIFT INVEST-MENT BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 11, 2014, VICE ALEJANDRO MODESTO SANCHEZ, RESIGNED.

STATE JUSTICE INSTITUTE

JAMES R. HANNAH, OF ARKANSAS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE STATE JUSTICE IN- STITUTE FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 17, 2013. (RE-APPOINTMENT)

DANIEL J. BECKER, OF UTAH, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE STATE JUSTICE INSTI-TUTE FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 17, 2013. (RE-APPOINTMENT)

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

SON MEMORIAL FELLOWSHIP FOUNDATION FOR A TERM EXPIRING JANUARY 27, 2016. (REAPPOINTMENT)
CATHERINE ALLGOR, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE JAMES MADISON MEMORIAL FELLOWSHIP FOUNDATION FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 27, 2014, VICE JOHN RICHARD PETROCIK, TERM EXPIRED.

HARRY S TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

STEVEN H. COHEN, OF ILLINOIS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE HARRY S TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 10, 2013, VICE LUIS D. ROVIRA, TERM EXPIRED.

SAINT LAWRENCE SEAWAY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

DAVID J. MCMILLAN, OF MINNESOTA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY BOARD OF THE SAINT LAWRENCE SEAWAY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, VICE SCOTT KEVIN WALKER.

WENONA SINGEL, OF MICHIGAN, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY BOARD OF THE SAINT LAWRENCE SEA-WAY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, VICE JACK EDWIN MCGREGOR.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF BUILDING SCIENCES

MARY R VERNER OF WASHINGTON TO BE A MEMBER MARY B. VERNER, OF WASHINGTON, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NATIONAL INSTI-TUTE OF BUILDING SCIENCES FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 7, 2012, VICE STEVE M. HAYS, TERM EX-

MARY R VERNER OF WASHINGTON TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF BUILDING SCIENCES FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 7, 2015, (REAPPOINTMENT)

OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION

MICHAEL JAMES WARREN, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 17, 2014, (REAPPOINT-MENT)

IN THE 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 UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12212:

To be brigadier general

COL. MICHAEL A. MEYER

THE FOLLOWING AIR NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS 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 major general

BRIGADIER GENERAL JOSEPH G. BALSKUS BRIGADIER GENERAL WILLIAM S. HADAWAY III BRIGADIER GENERAL MARK R. KRAUS BRIGADIER GENERAL CATHERINE S. LUTZ

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT 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. JAMES L. TERRY

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. WILLIAM T. GRISOLI

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY TO THE GRADE INDI-CATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be major general

BRIG, GEN, MARGARET W. BOOR

THE FOLLOWING ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RE-SERVE OF THE ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

To be brigadier general

COL. RAPHAEL G. PEART

THE FOLLOWING ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RE-SERVE OF THE ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

To be major general

BRIG GEN TERRY M HASTON

IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT AS CHIEF OF THE BUREAU OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY AND SURGEON GENERAL AND FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 601 AND 5137:

To be vice admiral

REAR ADM. MATTHEW L. NATHAN

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. MICHAEL S. ROGERS

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. FRANK C. PANDOLFE

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED INDIVIDUALS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531(A):

To be major

MARK W. DUFF HADIJATOU J. JARRA BIANCA TRUONG BRYAN A. WILLIAMS

THE FOLLOWING NAMED INDIVIDUALS FOR APPOINT-MENT TO THE GRADES INDICATED IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531(A):

To be lieutenant colonel

CHAD J. CARDA WAYNE W. KIM

To be major

KAREN A. DEIS

BARRY J. VAN SICKLE IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531:

To be lieutenant commander

DAVID D. DINKINS

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be lieutenant commander

ANDREW K. LEDFORD

CONFIRMATION

Executive nomination confirmed by the Senate, September 06, 2011:

THE JUDICIARY

BERNICE BOUIE DONALD, OF TENNESSEE, TO BE UNITED STATES CIRCUIT JUDGE FOR THE SIXTH CIR-