

to provide Trevor Reed with translated copies of the decision by the court and trial transcripts as required by law; and

Whereas Judge Arnout refused to correct corrupted transcripts even after being provided third-party certified corrections and ordered to do so by the appeals court: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) calls on the Government of the Russian Federation immediately release Trevor Reed and all other prisoners arrested for political motivations;

(2) condemns the practice of politically motivated imprisonment in the Russian Federation, which violates the commitments of the Russian Federation to international obligations with respect to human rights and the rule of law;

(3) urges the United States Government, in all interactions with the Government of the Russian Federation, to raise the case of Trevor Reed and to press for his release;

(4) expresses support for Trevor Reed, Paul Whelan, and all prisoners unjustly imprisoned in the Russian Federation;

(5) urges the Government of the Russian Federation provide unrestricted consular access to Trevor Reed while he remains in detention;

(6) until the release of Trevor Reed, calls on the Government of the Russian Federation to—

(A) provide Trevor Reed any necessary medical treatment and personal protective equipment;

(B) notify the United States Ambassador to Russia of any medical problems or complaints that arise during his detention; and

(C) provide the United States Embassy in Moscow with full access to all of the medical records of Trevor Reed;

(7) urges the Government of the Russian Federation to respect universally recognized human rights of Trevor Reed; and

(8) expresses support to the family of Trevor Reed and a commitment to bringing Trevor Reed home.

SENATE RESOLUTION 68—EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE THAT THE PRESIDENT SHOULD SUBMIT THE PARIS AGREEMENT TO THE SENATE FOR REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION

Mr. DAINES (for himself, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. BARRASSO, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. MORAN, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. WICKER, Mr. PAUL, and Mr. TOOMEY) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S. RES. 68

Whereas, in August 2016, President Obama entered the United States into the decision by the 21st Conference of Parties of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change in Paris, France, adopted December 12, 2015 (referred to in this preamble as the “Paris Agreement”), without the advice and consent of the Senate as required by section 2 of article 2 of the Constitution of the United States;

Whereas President Trump announced that the United States would cease all implementation of the Paris Agreement in June 2017, and formally withdrew the United States from the Paris Agreement in November 2019, which withdrawal became effective in November 2020;

Whereas, according to a report, by 2035, the Paris Agreement will result in—

(1) an aggregate gross domestic product loss of over \$2,500,000,000,000;

(2) a 13 to 20 percent increase in household electricity expenditures; and

(3) the loss of hundreds of thousands of jobs;

Whereas the Paris Agreement, and cumbersome regulations associated with the Paris Agreement, put the economy of the United States at a competitive disadvantage and risk even greater job loss and energy rate increases at a time when the economy of the United States is already hurting from the COVID-19 pandemic;

Whereas, in addition to the economic costs of the Paris Agreement, the Paris Agreement obligates United States taxpayer dollars towards a \$100,000,000,000 fund to assist climate change mitigation and adaptation in other countries with minimal oversight or transparency;

Whereas, according to a report, if every signatory of the Paris Agreement fulfills their—

(1) commitment under the Paris Agreement, the Paris Agreement will have a negligible impact on climate change, reducing global average temperatures by just 0.086 degrees Fahrenheit by 2100; or

(2) commitment under the Paris Agreement if the Paris Agreement were extended another 70 years, average global temperatures would be reduced by just 0.306 degrees Fahrenheit by 2100;

Whereas, through free-market innovation and investments in clean, efficient energy, the United States has seen the largest absolute decline in emissions globally while emissions from several signatories of the Paris Agreement continue to increase;

Whereas clause 2 of section 2 of article 2 of the Constitution of the United States provides that the President may only enter into a treaty “provided two thirds of the Senators present concur”;

Whereas section 723.3 of chapter 11 of the Foreign Affairs Manual of the Department of State provides that, “[i]n determining whether any international agreement should be brought into force as a treaty or as an international agreement other than a treaty, the utmost care is to be exercised to avoid any invasion or compromise of the constitutional powers of the Senate, Congress as a whole, or the President”;

Whereas, given the historical precedents, the potential costs and benefits, and the fact that the Paris Agreement could in future decades result in stronger obligations for the United States than the Senate anticipated when it gave its consent to ratifying the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, done at New York May 9, 1992, and entered into force March 21, 1994, the Paris Agreement is a treaty; and

Whereas, on January 20, 2021, President Biden announced his intent to reenter the United States into the Paris Agreement without seeking the advice and consent of the Senate: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Senate that—

(1) the decision by the 21st Conference of Parties of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change in Paris, France, adopted December 12, 2015 (referred to in this resolution as the “Paris Agreement”), is considered a treaty requiring the advice and consent of the Senate; and

(2) President Biden should immediately submit the Paris Agreement to the Senate.

SENATE RESOLUTION 69—AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURES BY THE COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. DURBIN submitted the following resolution; from the Committee on the Judiciary; which was referred to the

Committee on Rules and Administration:

S. RES. 69

Resolved,

SECTION 1. GENERAL AUTHORITY.

In carrying out its powers, duties, and functions under the Standing Rules of the Senate, in accordance with its jurisdiction under rule XXV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, including holding hearings, reporting such hearings, and making investigations as authorized by paragraphs 1 and 8 of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the Committee on the Judiciary (in this resolution referred to as the “committee”) is authorized from March 1, 2021 through February 28, 2023, in its discretion, to—

(1) make expenditures from the contingent fund of the Senate;

(2) employ personnel; and

(3) with the prior consent of the Government department or agency concerned and the Committee on Rules and Administration, use on a reimbursable or nonreimbursable basis the services of personnel of any such department or agency.

SEC. 2. EXPENSES.

(a) EXPENSES FOR PERIOD ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2021.—The expenses of the committee for the period March 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021 under this resolution shall not exceed \$6,908,656, of which amount—

(1) not to exceed \$100,000 may be expended for the procurement of the services of individual consultants, or organizations thereof (as authorized by section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 4301(i))); and

(2) not to exceed \$10,000 may be expended for the training of the professional staff of the committee (under procedures specified by section 202(j) of that Act).

(b) EXPENSES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022 PERIOD.—The expenses of the committee for the period October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022 under this resolution shall not exceed \$11,843,410, of which amount—

(1) not to exceed \$125,000 may be expended for the procurement of the services of individual consultants, or organizations thereof (as authorized by section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 4301(i))); and

(2) not to exceed \$15,000 may be expended for the training of the professional staff of the committee (under procedures specified by section 202(j) of that Act).

(c) EXPENSES FOR PERIOD ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 2023.—The expenses of the committee for the period October 1, 2022 through February 28, 2023 under this resolution shall not exceed \$4,934,754, of which amount—

(1) not to exceed \$80,000 may be expended for the procurement of the services of individual consultants, or organizations thereof (as authorized by section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 4301(i))); and

(2) not to exceed \$10,000 may be expended for the training of the professional staff of the committee (under procedures specified by section 202(j) of that Act).

SEC. 3. EXPENSES AND AGENCY CONTRIBUTIONS.

(a) EXPENSES OF THE COMMITTEE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), expenses of the committee under this resolution shall be paid from the contingent fund of the Senate upon vouchers approved by the chairman of the committee.

(2) VOUCHERS NOT REQUIRED.—Vouchers shall not be required for—

(A) the disbursement of salaries of employees paid at an annual rate;

(B) the payment of telecommunications provided by the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper;

(C) the payment of stationery supplies purchased through the Keeper of the Stationery;

(D) payments to the Postmaster of the Senate;

(E) the payment of metered charges on copying equipment provided by the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper;

(F) the payment of Senate Recording and Photographic Services; or

(G) the payment of franked and mass mail costs by the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper.

(b) AGENCY CONTRIBUTIONS.—There are authorized to be paid from the appropriations account for “Expenses of Inquiries and Investigations” of the Senate such sums as may be necessary for agency contributions related to the compensation of employees of the committee—

(1) for the period March 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021;

(2) for the period October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022; and

(3) for the period October 1, 2022 through February 28, 2023.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. President, I have 2 requests for committees to meet during today’s session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following committees are authorized to meet during today’s session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Monday, February 22, 2021, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing on nominations.

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

The Committee on Rules and Administration is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Monday, February 22, 2021, at 5:45 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2021

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, February 23; further, that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and morning business be closed; further, that upon conclusion of morning business, the Senate proceed to executive session as provided under the previous order. Finally, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate recess following the cloture vote on the Thomas-Greenfield nomination until 2:15 p.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come be-

fore the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:18 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, February 23, 2021, at 10:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

JEWEL HAIRSTON BRONAUGH, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE, VICE STEPHEN CENSKY.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

CHQUITA BROOKS-LASURE, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES, VICE SEEMA VERMA.

ANDREA JOAN PALM, OF WISCONSIN, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, VICE ERIC D. HARGAN.

NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

JENNIFER ANN ABRUZZO, OF NEW YORK, TO BE GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE PETER B. ROBB.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

JAMES RICHARD KVAAL, OF MASSACHUSETTS, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY OF EDUCATION, VICE THEODORE REED MITCHELL.

CYNTHIA MINETTE MARTEN, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF EDUCATION, VICE MITCHELL ZAIS.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

DEANNE BENNETT CRISWELL, OF NEW YORK, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, VICE PETER GAYNOR.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

RICHARD A. SAUBER, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE GENERAL COUNSEL, DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS, VICE JAMES BYRNE, RESIGNED.

IN THE AIR FORCE

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

To be major general

BRIG. GEN. SHARON R. BANNISTER
BRIG. GEN. PAUL A. FRIEDRICH

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

To be major general

BRIG. GEN. JOHN J. ALLEN
BRIG. GEN. JASON R. ARMAGOST
BRIG. GEN. MATTHEW W. DAVIDSON
BRIG. GEN. EVAN C. DERTIEN
BRIG. GEN. MICHAEL L. DOWNS
BRIG. GEN. TROY E. DUNN
BRIG. GEN. PETER M. FESLER
BRIG. GEN. DAVID M. GAEDDECKE
BRIG. GEN. ANTHONY W. GENATEMPO
BRIG. GEN. DAVID A. HARRIS, JR.
BRIG. GEN. THOMAS K. HENSLEY
BRIG. GEN. ROBERT S. JOBE
BRIG. GEN. JEFFREY R. KING
BRIG. GEN. LEONARD J. KOSINSKI
BRIG. GEN. THOMAS E. KUNKEL
BRIG. GEN. LAURA L. LENDERMAN
BRIG. GEN. BROOK J. LEONARD
BRIG. GEN. DAVID B. LYONS
BRIG. GEN. MICHAEL E. MARTIN
BRIG. GEN. ALBERT G. MILLER
BRIG. GEN. HEATHER L. PRINGLE
BRIG. GEN. CLARK J. QUINN
BRIG. GEN. ADRIAN L. SPAIN
BRIG. GEN. DANIEL H. TULLEY

IN THE NAVY

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

To be rear admiral

REAR ADM. (LH) JAMES A. AIKEN
REAR ADM. (LH) MICHAEL E. BOYLE
REAR ADM. (LH) KEITH B. DAVIDS
REAR ADM. (LH) LEONARD C. DOLLAGA
REAR ADM. (LH) CHRISTOPHER S. GRAY
REAR ADM. (LH) JOHN E. GUMBLETON
REAR ADM. (LH) SARA A. JOYNER
REAR ADM. (LH) JAMES A. KIRK
REAR ADM. (LH) ANDREW J. LOISELLE
REAR ADM. (LH) BRENDAN R. MCCLANE
REAR ADM. (LH) PETER G. VASELY
REAR ADM. (LH) JAMES P. WATERS III
REAR ADM. (LH) GEORGE M. WIKOFF

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS 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. CHRISTOPHER D. ALEXANDER
CAPT. SEAN R. BAILEY
CAPT. THOMAS R. BUCHANAN
CAPT. CHRISTOPHER J. CAVANAUGH
CAPT. BRAD J. COLLINS
CAPT. JENNIFER S. COUTURE
CAPT. WILLIAM R. DALY
CAPT. ERIK J. ESILICH
CAPT. RONALD A. FOY
CAPT. PATRICK J. HANNIFIN
CAPT. CHRISTOPHER A. KIJEK
CAPT. OLIVER T. LEWIS
CAPT. STEPHEN G. MACK
CAPT. BENJAMIN R. NICHOLSON
CAPT. RANDALL W. PECK
CAPT. BENJAMIN G. REYNOLDS
CAPT. MARK A. SCHAFER

IN THE AIR FORCE

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

To be major

TASRIF AHMED
HIROKO J. AKUZAWA
MESHVA F. AKWALLA
MAX AMERICAN
GILBERT P. ANCIRA
HEISY B. ASUTA
JONATHAN A. AUN
CHRISTINA N. AWAD
ALINE A. BABIKIAN
LINDSAY M. BACH
JENNIFER A. BARCLAY
MAX J. BARNES
BENJAMIN J. BARRINGER
ALAN J. BARTHOLOMEW
AMANDA J. BATTEN
COURTNEY BEAVER
CODY W. BECKSVOORT
MATTHEW J. BEGOLA
SAMUEL W. BERGIN
MATTHEW L. BEZZANT
BRADIE N. BISHOP
SHAWN M. BISHOP
ROBERT H. BLANK
SARAH B. BOENICK
CHELSEA K. BOCKELMAN
JOSEPH P. BOWENS
MITCHELL H. BOWMAN
SAMANTHA J. BOYD
ZACHARY T. BRADY
DAKOTA T. BREISH
KARIN JOYCE BROCKMAN
ROGER J. BROGHS II
ERIC M. BRUNK
MICAH B. BUCY
KELSEY A. CACIC
ALYSE M. CARLSON
SARAH L. CARROLL
ELVIRA N. CHICCARIELLI
MICHELLE Y. CHUNG
BROOKE LOKIE CLAMPITT
MICHAEL R. CLAMPITT
WILLIAM R. CLARK
BRENDAN R. CLEARY
HENRIK E. CLOSE
MONIKA B. CLUNEY
JONATHAN T. COLSTON
LAUREN P. COOGLE
NOAH M. COOPERSTEIN
CATHERINE M. COSS
ANGELA M. CURELL
BENJAMIN D. DAHLBERG
EVAN C. DANNHARDT
MARIAH ELIZABETH DAVIS
REBECCA DILLON
JAMES D. DIZMANG
KENT H. DO
PHUONG N. DO
SARAH S. DOLBEAR
IULIAN B. DRAGUSIN
CHRISTOPHER S. DURKIN
TIMOTHY A. DURSO
JARED M. EAMES
TAYT M. ELLISON
ERIC E. ENGSTROM
DVIS ERICKSON
JOHN A. ESCOBEDO
JORDAN R. EVANS
JOHN D. FELTENBERGER
MICHAEL C. FERRARO
DANE A. FISHER
ANGELIQUE S. FORRESTER
WILLIAM C. FOX
STEPHANIE TUTTLE FULLEBORN
DEE T. GARDNER
DAVID R. GARNER
LORI C. GATZKE
JOHN N. GAYK
ANDREW S. GIEGER
CAMERON S. GILBERT
NICHOLAS W. GINTHER
PAUL E. GONZALES
FREDRICK P. GRIFFITH IV
KARL J. GUBLER
TIMOTHY M. GUENTHER
SCOTT T. GUTHRIE
CHRISTOPHER J. HABERKORN
AMY E. HAMMEN