

Whereas President Clinton stated, "Italy has been and continues to be one of our closest allies and strategic partners in the world community"; and

Whereas the United States Department of State has been actively supporting a reorganization plan that would give Germany and Japan permanent seats on the United Nations Security Council, to the exclusion of Italy: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) urges the President to oppose any reorganization plan for the expansion of the Security Council which does not include Italy;

(2) urges the President to support Italy's inclusion as a permanent member if there is to be an expansion of the United Nations Security Council; and

(3) urges the Department of State to develop a reorganization plan of the United Nations Security Council that would incorporate nations that have played a significant role in fostering world peace and stability such as Italy.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Senate shall transmit a copy of this resolution to the President and the Secretary of State.

Mr. D'AMATO. Mr. President, I rise with my colleague, Senator ROBERT TORRICELLI from New Jersey, to submit a resolution which calls upon the President to support the inclusion of Italy as a permanent member of the United Nations Security Council in any future expansion of that body. Anyone who is aware of the indispensable aide Italy has offered in the past and promises to continue providing in the future would share this view. I would like to now note just a few of Italy's numerous accomplishments with the United Nations and the Security Council in order to highlight the reasons why I believe Italy should be invited to join the United Nations Security Council.

Italy's peace-keeping efforts in the past have been invaluable in aiding the United Nations on numerous fronts. It organized and led a multi-national peace enforcement operation in Albania last spring under United Nations authority to restore order and organize democratic elections. It provided the second largest United Nations troop contingent in Somalia. In 1983 Italy joined the United States in a multilateral force to bring peace and stability to Lebanon, and is still participating in the ongoing United Nations peacekeeping force there. Italy was also essential in brokering the peace settlement in Mozambique, as well as leading the peacekeeping forces that implemented it. Finally, Italy plays a key role in hosting the sole United Nations logistical base supporting peacekeeping operations worldwide at Brindisi on the Adriatic.

Moreover, Italy's strategic location in the Mediterranean has made it an indispensable partner in security operations in a multitude of international regions. As such, Italy's assistance has been crucial in hosting air bases from which the United States and its NATO partners have conducted air operations over the former Yugoslavia. Italy has the world's fifth largest economy, and will this year increase its monetary contributions to 5.4% of that sum, becoming the United Nation's fifth larg-

est assessed contributor. It's contribution has surpassed that of Britain, Russia, and China, three permanent members of the Security Council. In addition, with an estimated contribution of \$72 million in peace-keeping operations for the upcoming year, Italy's efforts in financial aid to the United Nations have also been tremendous.

As one of our closest allies and strategic partners in the world community, Italy continues to be an asset to the United Nation's peace keeping efforts, and is thus not only worthy, but essential in continued progress toward the Security Council's goals. I thus urge the President to oppose any reorganization plan for the expansion of the Security Council which does not include Italy, and strongly encourage Italy's inclusion as a permanent member if such an expansion is to take place.

Mr. TORRICELLI. Mr. President, I rise today in support of Senator D'AMATO's resolution supporting Italy's inclusion as a permanent member of the United Nations Security Council. Should this international body expand, I can think of no country more worthy of inclusion than Italy, and I hope my colleagues will join me in expressing their support for this idea.

Italy is a major economic player on the world stage and in terms of United Nations contributions. She forms a critical part of the UN's global peace-keeping operations and has been active in a number of international conflicts and crises. Last spring, Italy acted under UN auspices to organize and lead a multi-national peace enforcement operation in Albania. This effort was critical to restoring order and helping Albania organize democratic elections.

In more general terms, Italy's strategic location in the Mediterranean makes it an important partner for the international community as it launches security operations in many zones of potential instability. Already, Italy has hosted the air bases that the United States and other NATO members have used to conduct air operations over the former Yugoslavia. These efforts, in conjunction with Italy's status as the fifth largest economy in the world, mean that we can no longer ignore its present position in the international community. It plays a vital role in protecting and enhancing our economic and military security, and I believe the time has come to recognize these efforts.

Italy's contributions to world history and culture, her continuing support for humanitarian and developmental objectives throughout the world, and status as a thriving democracy which has overcome a fascist past all argue for Italy's inclusion in any plans to revise and expand the permanent membership of the United Nations Security Council.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 358

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the names of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) and the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS) were added as cosponsors of S. 358, a bill to provide for compassionate payments with regard to individuals with blood-clotting disorders, such as hemophilia, who contracted human immunodeficiency virus due to contaminated blood products, and for other purposes.

S. 412

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. THURMOND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 412, A bill to provide for a national standard to prohibit the operation of motor vehicles by intoxicated individuals.

S. 887

At the request of Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 887, A bill to establish in the National Service the National Underground Railroad Network to Freedom program, and for other purposes.

S. 1021

At the request of Mr. HAGEL, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1021, a bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that consideration may not be denied to preference eligibles applying for certain positions in the competitive service, and for other purposes.

S. 1244

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1244, a bill to amend title 11, United States Code, to protect certain charitable contributions, and for other purposes.

S. 1360

At the request of Mr. ABRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1360, a bill to amend the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 to clarify and improve the requirements for the development of an automated entry-exit control system, to enhance land border control and enforcement, and for other purposes.

S. 1427

At the request of Mr. FORD, the names of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CLELAND), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE), and the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK) were added as cosponsors of S. 1427, a bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require the Federal Communications Commission to preserve lowpower television stations that provide community broadcasting, and for other purposes.

S. 1572

At the request of Mr. BRYAN, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr.

BROWNBAC) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1572, a bill to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from promulgating certain regulations relating to Indian gaming activities.

S. 1577

At the request of Mr. CHAFEE, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. HELMS) was withdrawn as a cosponsor of S. 1577, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide additional tax relief to families to increase the affordability of child care, and for other purposes.

#### SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 30

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of Senate Joint Resolution 30, A joint resolution designating March 1, 1998 as "United States Navy Asiatic Fleet Memorial Day," and for other purposes.

#### SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 30

At the request of Mr. HELMS, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of Senate Concurrent Resolution 30, A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that the Republic of China should be admitted to multilateral economic institutions, including the International Monetary Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

#### SENATE RESOLUTION 181

At the request of Mr. ROBB, the names of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA), the Senator from Montana (Mr. BAUCUS), the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN), the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER), the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. BREAUX), the Senator from Nevada (Mr. BRYAN), the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. BUMBERS), the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. BYRD), the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CLELAND), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CONRAD), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. DASCHLE), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN), the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD), the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN), the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. FORD), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. GLENN), the Senator from Florida (Mr. GRAHAM), the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. HOLINGS), the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY), the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. KERREY), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY), the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. KOHL), the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY), the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN), the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI), the Senator from Illinois (Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN), the Sen-

ator from New York (Mr. MOYNIHAN), the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY), the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED), the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID), the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER), the Senator from Maryland (Mr. SARBANES), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. TORRICELLI), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE), the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN), the Senator from Michigan (Mr. ABRAHAM), the Senator from Colorado (Mr. ALLARD), the Senator from Missouri (Mr. ASHCROFT), the Senator from Utah (Mr. BENNETT), the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND), the Senator from Montana (Mr. BURNS), the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBAC), the Senator from Colorado (Mr. CAMPBELL), the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE), the Senator from Indiana (Mr. COATS), the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN), the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS), the Senator from Georgia (Mr. COVERDELL), the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAIG), the Senator from New York (Mr. D'AMATO), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. DOMENICI), the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI), the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. FAIRCLOTH), the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. FRIST), the Senator from Washington (Mr. GORTON), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. GRAMS), the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. GREGG), the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL), the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH), the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. HELMS), the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. HUTCHINSON), the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE), the Senator from Idaho (Mr. KEMPTHORNE), the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. LOTT), the Senator from Indiana (Mr. LUGAR), the Senator from Florida (Mr. MACK), the Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN), the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. MCCONNELL), the Senator from Alaska (Mr. MURKOWSKI), the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. NICKLES), the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SHELBY), the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. SMITH), the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH), the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE), the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER), the Senator from Alaska (Mr. STEVENS), the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. THOMAS), the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. THOMPSON), the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. THURMOND), and the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 181, A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that on March 2nd, every child in America should be in the company of someone who will read to him or her.

#### AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED

#### THE INTERMODAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION EFFICIENCY ACT OF 1998

#### CHAFEE AMENDMENT NO. 1676

Mr. LOTT (for Mr. CHAFEE) proposed an amendment to the bill (S. 1173) to authorize funds for construction of highways, for highway safety programs, and for mass transit programs, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the "Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1997".

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

Sec. 2. Definition.

#### TITLE I—SURFACE TRANSPORTATION

Sec. 1001. Short title.

#### Subtitle A—General Provisions

Sec. 1101. Authorizations.

Sec. 1102. Apportionments.

Sec. 1103. Obligation ceiling.

Sec. 1104. Obligation authority under surface transportation program.

Sec. 1105. Emergency relief.

Sec. 1106. Federal lands highways program.

Sec. 1107. Recreational trails program.

Sec. 1108. Value pricing pilot program.

Sec. 1109. Highway use tax evasion projects.

Sec. 1110. Bicycle transportation and pedestrian walkways.

Sec. 1111. Disadvantaged business enterprises.

Sec. 1112. Federal share payable.

Sec. 1113. Studies and reports.

Sec. 1114. Definitions.

Sec. 1115. Cooperative Federal Lands Transportation Program.

Sec. 1116. Trade corridor and border crossing planning and border infrastructure.

Sec. 1117. Appalachian development highway system.

Sec. 1118. Interstate 4R and bridge discretionary program.

Sec. 1119. Magnetic levitation transportation technology deployment program.

Sec. 1120. Woodrow Wilson Memorial Bridge.

Sec. 1121. National Highway System components.

Sec. 1122. Highway bridge replacement and rehabilitation.

Sec. 1123. Congestion mitigation and air quality improvement program.

Sec. 1124. Safety belt use law requirements.

Sec. 1125. Sense of the Senate concerning reliance on private enterprise.

Sec. 1126. Study of use of uniformed police officers on Federal-aid highway construction projects.

Sec. 1127. Contracting for engineering and design services.

#### Subtitle B—Program Streamlining and Flexibility

#### CHAPTER 1—GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 1201. Administrative expenses.

Sec. 1202. Real property acquisition and corridor preservation.

Sec. 1203. Availability of funds.

Sec. 1204. Payments to States for construction.

Sec. 1205. Proceeds from the sale or lease of real property.