EXECUTIVE BUSINESS MEETING

TO CONSIDER S.J. RES. 29, A JOINT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RENEWAL OF IMPORT RESTRICTIONS CONTAINED IN THE BURMESE FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY ACT OF 2003 AND PENDING NOMINATIONS JUNE 30, 2010

U.S. Senate, Committee on Finance, Washington, D.C.

The meeting was convened, pursuant to notice, at 11:55 a.m., in S-216 of the Capitol, Hon. Max Baucus (chairman of the committee) presiding.

Present: Senators Baucus, Rockefeller, Conrad, Bingaman, Kerry, Lincoln, Wyden, Stabenow, Cantwell, Nelson, Menendez, Carper, Grassley, Hatch, Snowe, Kyl, Bunning, Crapo, Roberts, Ensign, Enzi, and Cornyn.

Also present: Amber Cottle, Chief Trade Counsel; Ayesha Khanna, Trade Counsel; Stephen Schaefer, Chief International Trade Counsel; Claudia Poteet, International Trade Policy Advisor; Nick Wyatt, Professional Staff Member; Carla Martin, Chief Clerk; Joshua LeVasseur, Deputy Chief Clerk; and Danielle Edwards, Deputy Clerk.

The Chairman. The Committee will come to order.

The committee meets today to consider the two nominations and the renewal of S.J. Res. 29, and I now entertain a motion that the committee favorably report the nominations and renewal of S.J. Res. 29.

The Committee will consider S.J. Res. 29, a joint resolution approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003.

A recorded vote has been requested. The clerk will call the roll:

Senator Rockefeller. Aye.

Senator Conrad. Aye.

Senator Bingaman. Aye.

Senator Kerry. Aye.

Senator Lincoln. Aye.

Senator Wyden. Aye.

Senator Schumer. Aye

Senator Stabenow. Aye.

Senator Cantwell. Aye.

Senator Nelson. Aye.

Senator Menendez. Aye.

Senator Carper. Aye.

Senator Grassley. Aye.

Senator Hatch. Aye.

Senator Snowe. Aye.

Senator Kyl. Aye.

Senator Bunning. Aye.

Senator Crapo. Ave.

Senator Roberts. Aye.

Senator Ensign. Aye.

Senator Enzi. Nay.

Senator Cornyn. Aye (by proxy).

The Chairman. Aye.

The Clerk. The tally is 22 ayes, 1 nay.

The Chairman. The ayes have it. The motion is ordered favorably reported.

The Committee will consider the nomination of Francisco Sanchez, of Florida, to be an Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade.

A recorded vote has been requested. The clerk will call the roll:

Senator Rockefeller. Aye.

Senator Conrad. Aye.

Senator Bingaman. Aye.

Senator Kerry. Aye.

Senator Lincoln. Aye.

Senator Wyden. Aye.

Senator Schumer. Aye.

Senator Stabenow. Aye.

Senator Cantwell. Aye.

Senator Nelson. Aye.

Senator Menendez. Aye.

Senator Carper. Aye.

Senator Grassley. Aye.

Senator Hatch. Aye.

Senator Snowe. Aye.

Senator Kyl. Aye.

Senator Bunning. Aye.

Senator Crapo. Aye.

Senator Roberts. Aye.

Senator Ensign. Aye.

Senator Enzi. Aye.

Senator Cornyn. Aye (by proxy).

The Chairman. Aye.

The Clerk. The tally is 23 ayes, 0 nays.

The Chairman. The ayes have it. The nomination of Mr. Sanchez is ordered favorably reported.

The Committee will consider the nomination of Richard Sorian, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services.

A recorded vote has been requested. The clerk will call the roll:

Senator Rockefeller. Aye.

Senator Conrad. Aye.

Senator Bingaman. Aye.

Senator Kerry. Aye.

Senator Lincoln. Aye.

Senator Wyden. Aye.

Senator Schumer. Aye.

Senator Stabenow. Ave.

Senator Cantwell. Aye.

Senator Nelson. Aye.

Senator Menendez. Aye.

Senator Carper. Aye.

Senator Grassley. Aye.

Senator Hatch. Aye.

Senator Snowe. Aye.

Senator Kyl. Aye.

Senator Bunning. Aye.

Senator Crapo. Aye.

Senator Roberts. Aye.

Senator Ensign. Aye.

Senator Enzi. Aye.

Senator Cornyn. Aye. (by proxy)

The Chairman. Aye.

The Clerk. The tally is 23 ayes, 0 nays.

The Chairman. The ayes have it. The nomination of Mr. Sorian is ordered favorably reported, and the committee is adjourned.

[Whereupon, at 12:40 p.m., the meeting was concluded.]