10 U.S.C. 221(a); to the Committee on National Security.

848. A letter from the General Counsel of the Department of Defense, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to provide for alternative means of acquiring and improving housing and supporting facilities for the Armed Forces and their families; to the Committee on National Security.

849. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the annual report for fiscal year 1994 of the Administration on Aging, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 3018; to the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities. 850. A letter from the Acting Director, De-

850. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting the price and availability report for the quarter ending March 31, 1995, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2768; to the Committee on International Relations.

851. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report on missile proliferation, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2797 note; to the Committee on International Relations.

852. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States, transmitting the Commission's 1993 annual report on operations under the War Claims Act of 1948, as amended, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. app. 2008; 22 U.S.C. 1622a; to the Committee on International Relations.

**853.** A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report pursuant to section 1207(c) of the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 1995; to the Committee on International Relations.

854. A letter from the General Counsel of the Department of Defense, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to repeal a provision of the National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 1994 that prohibits the United States Government from acquiring or modifying diplomatic or consular facilities in Germany unless done with residual value funds provided by Germany and only after Germany has committed to repay at least 50 percent of the residual value of United States installations returned to Germany; to the Committee on International Relations.

855. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 11–38, "Pennsylvania Avenue Development Area Parks and Plaza Public Safety Amendment Act of 1995," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1–233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

**§**56. A letter from the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council, Appraisal Subcommittee, transmitting the annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act for fiscal year 1994, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

857. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1994, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(e); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

858. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Interior, transmitting the 1994 section 8 report on national historic and natural landmarks that have been damaged or to which damage to their integrity is anticipated, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 1a-5(a); to the Committee on Resources.

859. A letter from the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, transmitting a report entitled, "Military Bases: Analysis of DOD's 1995 Process and Recommendations for Closure and Realignment," pursuant to Public Law 101–576, section 305 (104 Stat. 2853); jointly, to the Committees on National Security and Government Reform and Oversight. 860. A letter from the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, transmitting the financial audit of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation's 1994 and 1993 financial statements, pursuant to Public Law 101-576, section 305 (104 Stat. 2853); jointly, to the Committees on Banking and Financial Services and Government Reform and Oversight.

861. A letter from the Attorney General of the United States, transmitting the 1994 annual report on the number of applications that were made for orders and extension of orders approving electronic surveillance under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1807; jointly, to the Committees on Intelligence (Permanent Select) and the Judiciary.

862. A letter from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting notification that the Department's report on commercial projects employing clean coal technologies in countries projected to have significant growth in greenhouse gas emissions, will be provided by June 15, 1995; jointly, to the Committees on Appropriations, Commerce, and Science.

863. A letter from the Acting Director, Central Intelligence Agency, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation entitled, the "Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1996," pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1110; jointly, to the Committees on Intelligence (Permanent Select), Government Reform and Oversight, National Security, and the Judiciary.

### **63.3** Messages from the president

Sundry messages in writing from the President of the United States were communicated to the House by Mr. Edwin Thomas, one of his secretaries.

#### **63.4** PARTY AFFILIATION

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. WICKER, laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows:

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS, U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Washington, DC, May 10, 1995. Hon. NEWT GINGRICH.

Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to inform you that Representative Nathan Deal is no longer a member of the Democratic Caucus. Sincerely,

VIC FAZIO,

#### Chairman.

#### **63.5** COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. WICKER, laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows: THE SPEAKER.

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Washington, DC, May 10, 1995. Hon. DON YOUNG,

Chairman, Committee on Resources, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: This is to advise you that Representative Nathan Deal's election to the Committee on Resources has been automatically vacated pursuant to clause 6(b) of rule X, effective today.

Sincerely, NEWT GINGRICH.

## **§63.6** COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. WICKER, laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows: THE SPEAKER, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, May 10, 1995.

Hon. BUD SHUSTER,

Chairman, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: This is to advise you that Representative Nathan Deal's election to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure has been automatically vacated pursuant to clause 6(b) of rule X, effective today.

Sincerely,

NEWT GINGRICH.

**\$63.7** COMMITTEE ELECTION—MAJORITY

Mr. BOEHNER, by direction of the Republican Conference, called up the following privileged resolution (H. Res. 143):

*Resolved*, That the following named Member be, and is hereby, elected to the Committee on Commerce of the House of Representatives: Representative Nathan Deal of Georgia.

When said resolution was considered and agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby said resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

# **\$63.8** COMMITTEES AND SUBCOMMITTEES TO SIT

On motion of Mr. BOEHNER, by unanimous consent, the following committees and their subcommittees were granted permission to sit during the 5minute rule today: the Committee on Agriculture, the Committee on Banking and Financial Services, the Committee on Commerce, the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities, the Committee on House Oversight, the Committee on International Relations, and the Committee on Resources.

**\$63.9** MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—

GUN FREE SCHOOL ZONES

The SPEAKER tempore, Mr. WICK-ER, laid before the House a message from the President, which was read as follows:

*To the Congress of the United States:* 

Today I am transmitting for your immediate consideration and passage the "Gun-Free School Zones Amendments Act of 1995." This Act will provide the jurisdictional element for the Gun-Free School Zones Act of 1990 required by the Supreme Court's recent decision in *United States* v. *Lopez.* 

In a 5-4 decision, the Court in *Lopez* held that the Congress had exceeded its authority under the Commerce Clause by enacting the Gun-Free School Zones Act of 1990, codified at 18 U.S.C. 922(q). The Court found that this Act did not contain the jurisdictional element that would ensure that the firearms possession in question has the requisite nexus with interstate commerce.

In the wake of that decision, I directed Attorney General Reno to present to me an analysis of *Lopez* and to recommend a legislative solution to the problem identified by that decision. Her legislative recommendation is presented in this proposal.