Ogden Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that the cloture motion relative to the nomination of David W. Ogden, of Virginia, to be Deputy Attorney General be withdrawn; that at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 11, 2009, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of David W. Ogden, of Virginia, to be Deputy Attorney General; provided further, that the time until 4:30 p.m. be equally divided and controlled between the Majority and Republican Leaders, or their designees; that when Senate continues consideration of the nomination on Thursday, March 12, 2009, that there be two hours remaining for debate, equally divided and controlled between the Majority and Republican Leaders, or their designees; that when Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination of David W. Ogden, of Virginia, to be Deputy Attorney General.

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Cecilia Elena Rouse, of California, to be Member of the Council of Economic Advisers.

Austan Dean Goolsbee, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers.

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

David S. Cohen, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary for Terrorist Financing, Department of the Treasury.

Sherburne B. Abbott, of Texas, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

Dana G. Gresham, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security.

John Morton, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security.

James N. Miller, Jr., of Virginia, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, and Navy.

Record Votes: Seven record votes were taken today. (Total—96)

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:31 p.m., until 11 a.m. on Wednesday, March 11, 2009. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S2987.)

Committee Meetings

(National Security Threats)

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine current and future worldwide threats to the national security of the United States, after receiving testimony from Dennis C. Blair, Director, National Intelligence; and Michael D. Maples, United States Army, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency, and David J. Dorsett, Director, Naval Intelligence, both of the Department of Defense.

Securities Markets

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine enhancing investor protection and the regulation of securities markets, after receiving testimony from Lynn E. Turner, former Chief Accountant, Securities and Exchange Commission; John C. Coffee, Jr., Columbia University Law School, T. Timothy Ryan, Jr., Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association, and Robert Pickel, International Swaps and Derivatives Association, all of New York, New York; Paul Schott Stevens, Investment Company Institute, Alexandria, Virginia; Mercer E. Bullard, University of Mississippi School of Law, Oxford; Damon A. Silvers, American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations (AFL-CIO), Takoma Park, Maryland; and Thomas Doe, Municipal Market Advisors, Concord, Massachusetts.

Budget Proposal

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President’s proposed budget for fiscal year 2010, after receiving testimony from Peter R. Orszag, Director, Office of Management and Budget.

Water Resources

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 531, to provide for the conduct of an in-depth analysis of the impact of energy development and production on the water resources of the United States, after receiving testimony from Carl O. Bauer, Director, National Energy...
Technology Laboratory, Department of Energy; Lon W. House, Association of California Water Agencies, Cameron Park; Stephen Bolze, General Electric Power and Water, Schenectady, New York; Peter H. Gleick, Pacific Institute, Oakland, California; and Michael E. Webber, University of Texas Center for International Energy and Environmental Policy, Austin.

HEALTH CARE PROPOSALS
Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President’s fiscal year 2010 health care proposals, after receiving testimony from Peter R. Orszag, Director, Office of Management and Budget.

REBUILDING ECONOMIC SECURITY
Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine rebuilding economic security, focusing on empowering workers to restore the middle class, after receiving testimony from Paula B. Voos, Rutgers the State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick; Wade Henderson, Leadership Conference on Civil Rights, and Jim Wallis, Sojourners, both of Washington, DC.; Anne Layne-Farrar, LECG, LLC, Chicago, Illinois; Deborah Kelly, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Anchorage, Alaska; Kelly Badillo, Service Employees International Union, Jersey City, New Jersey; Larry Getts, Dana Corporation, Albion, Indiana; and Sharon Harrison, AT&T Mobility, Lebanon, Virginia.

NATIONAL SERVICE
Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the future of national service, after receiving testimony from Alan Solomont, Weston, Massachusetts, Chairman, and Stephen Goldsmith, Vice-Chairman, Cambridge, Massachusetts, both of the Board of Directors, Corporation for National and Community Service; former Montana Governor Marc Racicot, Bigfork; Lester Strong, Experience Corps, and Shirley Sagawa, Center for American Progress, both of Washington, DC; Michael Brown, City Year, Inc., Boston, Massachusetts; and Michelle Bouchard, HealthCorps, New York, New York.

PATENT REFORM
Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine patent reform in the 111th Congress, focusing on legislation and recent court decisions, after receiving testimony from Steven R. Appletton, Micron Technology, Inc., Boise, Idaho; Philip S. Johnson, Johnson and Johnson, New Brunswick, New Jersey; David J. Kappos, International Business Machines Corporation (IBM), Armonk, New York; Taraneh Maghame, Tessera, Inc., San Jose, California; Herbert C. Wamsley, Intellectual Property Owners Association, Washington, DC; and Mark A. Lemley, Stanford Law School, Stanford, California.

NOMINATIONS
Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Lanny A. Breuer, of the District of Columbia, who was introduced by Representative Harmon, Christine Anne Varney, of the District of Columbia, who was introduced by Senator Schumer, and Tony West, of California, each to be an Assistant Attorney General, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUDGET FOR VETERANS PROGRAMS
Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine Department of Veterans Affairs budget programs for fiscal year 2010, after receiving testimony from Eric K. Shinseki, Secretary of Veterans Affairs; Carl Blake, Paralyzed Veterans of America, Fredericksburg, Virginia; Kerry Baker, Disabled American Veterans, Cold Spring, Kentucky; Dennis M. Cullinan, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Kansas City, Missouri; Steve Robertson, American Legion, Indianapolis, Indiana; and Rick Weidman, Vietnam Veterans of America, Silver Spring, Maryland.

NOMINATION
Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of David S. Kris, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.