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4558 - EXTENSION OF THE IRISH PEACE PROCESS
CULTURAL AND TRAINING PROGRAM**



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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

10-4-02

October 1, 2002

THE DIRECTOR

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

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SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill H.R 4558 - Extension of the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program
Sponsor - Rep. Walsh (R) New York

Last Day for Action

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Purpose

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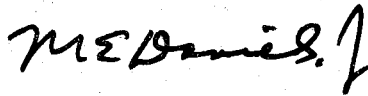
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Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr.
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One Hundred Seventh Congress
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United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

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An Act

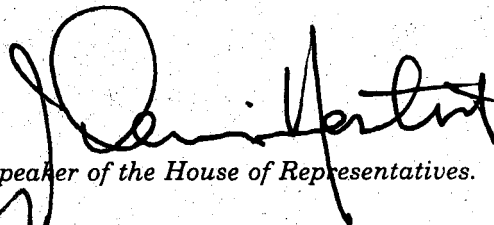
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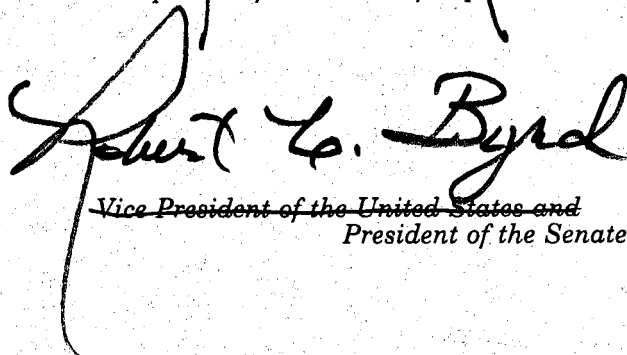
*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of
the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF IRISH PEACE PROCESS CULTURAL AND
TRAINING PROGRAM.

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Program Act of 1998 (8 U.S.C. 1101 note) is amended—

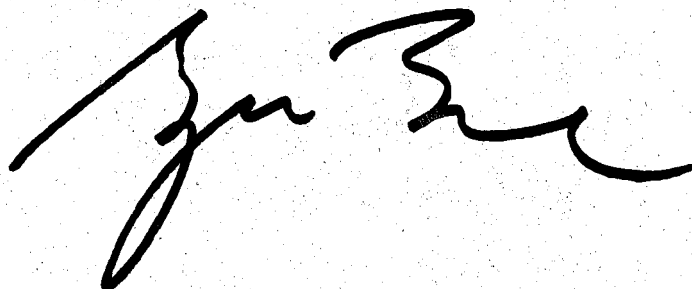
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“2006,”; and
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Speaker of the House of Representatives.


~~Vice President of the United States and~~
President of the Senate. *pro Tempore.*

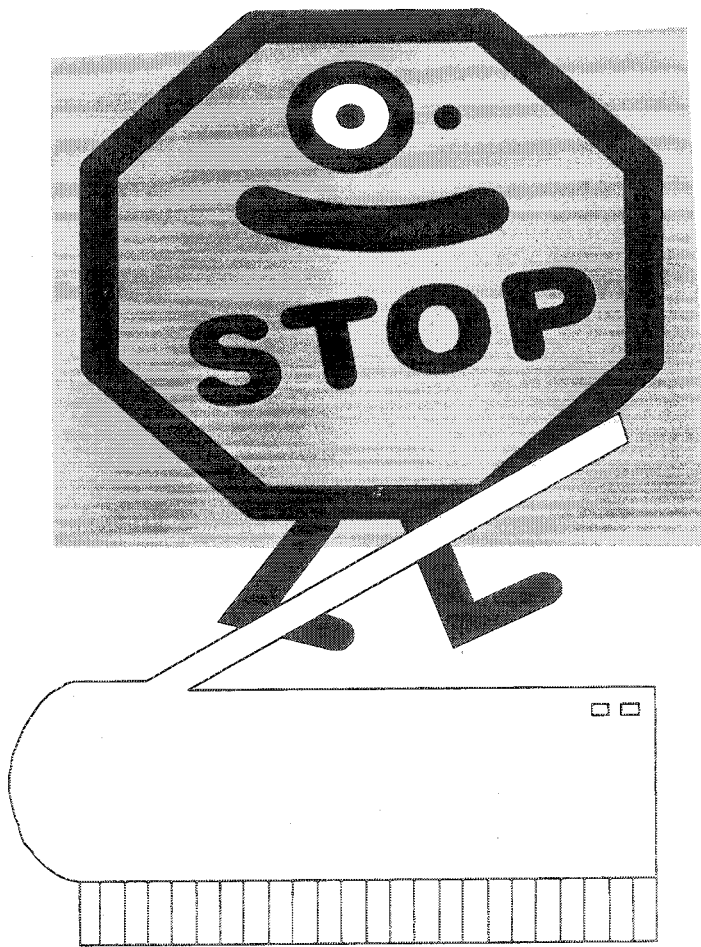
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An Act to extend the Irish Peace Process Cultural and
Training Program.

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FLEISCHER	☒	☐	SPELLINGS <i>OK</i>	☒	☐
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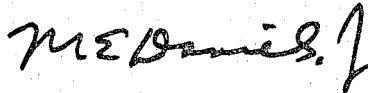
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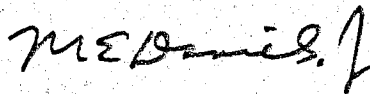
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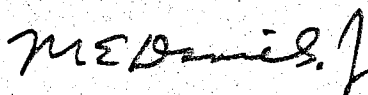
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U. S. Department of Justice

Office of Legislative Affairs

Office of the Assistant Attorney General

Washington, D.C. 20530

September 27, 2002

The Honorable Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr.
Director
Office of Management and Budget
Washington, DC 20503

Dear Mr. Daniels:

This responds to your request for the views and recommendation of the Department of Justice on enrolled bill H.R. 4558, "[t]o extend the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program" ("the Program").

The enrolled bill would amend the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program Act of 1998 (8 U.S.C. § 1101 note) to extend the Program for an additional one year, through September 30, 2006. Under the Program, certain young adults who live in disadvantaged areas of Northern Ireland and designated border counties of the Republic of Ireland suffering from sectarian violence may obtain three-year visas to enter the United States to develop job skills and conflict resolution capabilities. The goal of the Program is to enable participating individuals to return to Northern Ireland or the Republic of Ireland, as the case may be, and there contribute to the Irish peace process.

We have no objection to enactment of this enrolled bill and therefore recommend that the President approve it. Please let us know if we may be of additional assistance in connection with this or any other matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Daniel J. Bryant", is written above the typed name.

Daniel J. Bryant
Assistant Attorney General

TO EXTEND THE IRISH PEACE PROCESS CULTURAL AND
TRAINING PROGRAM

JULY 22, 2002.—Ordered to be printed

Mr. SENSENBRENNER, from the Committee on the Judiciary,
submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H.R. 4558]

[Including cost estimate of the Congressional Budget Office]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill (H.R. 4558) to extend the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

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PURPOSE AND SUMMARY

H.R. 4558 would extend the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program for 1 year, from 2005 to 2006, so that another group of young adults may obtain a 3-year visa to the United States to develop job skills and conflict resolution abilities to assist in the Irish peace process.

BACKGROUND AND NEED FOR THE LEGISLATION

In 1998, Congress enacted the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program Act.¹ The purpose of the program is to allow adults between the ages of 18 and 35 years old and who live in disadvantaged areas in Northern Ireland and designated border counties of Ireland suffering from sectarian violence and high unemployment to enter the United States to develop job skills and conflict resolution abilities in a diverse, cooperative, peaceful, and prosperous environment, so that they can return to their homes better able to contribute toward economic regeneration and the Irish peace process.

The program is set to sunset on October 1, 2005. However, because the program had a late start due to funding trouble, H.R. 4558 would extend the program 1 year so that additional young people can take advantage of this program.

HEARINGS

No hearings were held on H.R. 4558.

COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

On May 2, 2002, the Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims met in open session and ordered favorably reported the bill H.R. 4558, by a voice vote, a quorum being present. On July 17, 2002, the Committee met in open session and ordered favorably reported the bill H.R. 4558 without amendment by voice vote, a quorum being present.

VOTE OF THE COMMITTEE

1. Mr. Scott offered a motion to reconsider the motion to order the previous question on H.R. 4558. The motion was defeated by a rollcall vote of 12 yeas to 19 nays.

ROLLCALL NO. 1

	Ayes	Nays	Present
Mr. Hyde		X	
Mr. Gekas		X	
Mr. Coble		X	
Mr. Smith (Texas)		X	
Mr. Gallegly		X	
Mr. Goodlatte		X	
Mr. Chabot		X	
Mr. Barr		X	
Mr. Jenkins		X	
Mr. Cannon		X	
Mr. Graham			
Mr. Bachus		X	
Mr. Hostettler		X	
Mr. Green		X	
Mr. Keller		X	
Mr. Issa		X	
Ms. Hart			
Mr. Flake		X	
Mr. Pence		X	
Mr. Forbes		X	
Mr. Conyers	X		

¹ Pub. L. No. 105-319, 112 Stat. 3013 (Oct. 30, 1998).

ROLLCALL NO. 1—Continued

	Ayes	Nays	Present
Mr. Frank			
Mr. Berman			
Mr. Boucher			
Mr. Nadler			
Mr. Scott	X		
Mr. Watt	X		
Ms. Lofgren	X		
Ms. Jackson Lee	X		
Ms. Waters	X		
Mr. Meehan	X		
Mr. Delahunt	X		
Mr. Wexler	X		
Ms. Baldwin	X		
Mr. Weiner	X		
Mr. Schiff	X		
Mr. Sensenbrenner, Chairman		X	
Total	12	19	

2. On the motion to report H.R. 4558, the motion was agreed to by a rollcall vote of 31 yeas to 0 nays.

ROLLCALL NO. 2

	Ayes	Nays	Present
Mr. Hyde	X		
Mr. Gekas			
Mr. Coble	X		
Mr. Smith (Texas)	X		
Mr. Gallegly	X		
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Mr. Nadler			
Mr. Scott	X		
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Ms. Lofgren	X		
Ms. Jackson Lee	X		
Ms. Waters	X		
Mr. Meehan	X		
Mr. Delahunt	X		
Mr. Wexler	X		
Ms. Baldwin	X		
Mr. Weiner	X		
Mr. Schiff	X		
Mr. Sensenbrenner, Chairman	X		

ROLLCALL NO. 2—Continued

	Ayes	Nays	Present
Total	31	0	

COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT FINDINGS

In compliance with clause 3(c)(1) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee reports that the findings and recommendations of the Committee, based on oversight activities under clause 2(b)(1) of rule X of the Rules of the House of Representatives, are incorporated in the descriptive portions of this report.

PERFORMANCE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

H.R. 4558 does not authorize funding. Therefore, clause 3(c) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives is inapplicable.

NEW BUDGET AUTHORITY AND TAX EXPENDITURES

Clause 3(c)(2) of House rule XIII is inapplicable because this legislation does not provide new budgetary authority or increased tax expenditures.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

In compliance with clause 3(c)(3) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee sets forth, with respect to the bill, H.R. 4558, the following estimate and comparison prepared by the Director of the Congressional Budget Office under section 402 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974:

U.S. CONGRESS,
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,
Washington, DC, July 22, 2002.

Hon. F. JAMES SENSENBRENNER, Jr., *Chairman,*
Committee on the Judiciary,
House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has prepared the enclosed cost estimate for H.R. 4558, a bill to extend the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program.

If you wish further details on this estimate, we will be pleased to provide them. The CBO staff contact is Mark Grabowicz, who can be reached at 226-2860.

Sincerely,

DAN L. CRIPPEN, *Director.*

Enclosure

cc: Honorable John Conyers, Jr.
Ranking Member

H.R. 4558—A bill to extend the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program.

SUMMARY

The Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program Act of 1998 (Public Law 105-319) provides nonimmigrant visas for young adults from certain areas of Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland. These individuals work or study in the United States for up to 3 years. This program is currently scheduled to terminate on October 1, 2005. H.R. 4558 would extend it until October 1, 2006.

CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 4558 would cost about \$4 million in fiscal year 2006 for the Department of State to administer this program, subject to the availability of appropriations. Enacting the bill also would affect direct spending and receipts, but CBO estimates that any such effects would not be significant. Because the bill would affect direct spending and receipts, pay-as-you-go procedures would apply.

H.R. 4558 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) and would impose no costs on State, local, or tribal governments.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 4558 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 750 (administration of justice).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars					
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION						
Spending Under Current Law						
Estimated Authorization Level ^a	4	4	4	4	0	0
Estimated Outlays	4	4	4	4	0	0
Proposed Changes						
Estimated Authorization Level	0	0	0	0	4	0
Estimated Outlays	0	0	0	0	4	0
Spending Under H.R. 4558						
Estimated Authorization Level	4	4	4	4	4	0
Estimated Outlays	4	4	4	4	4	0

a. The 2002 level is the amount appropriated for that year for the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program. The estimated authorization levels for 2003 through 2005 are CBO baseline estimates.

Since the program's inception, there have been about 250 participants each year. Thus, CBO estimates that any effects on fees collected by the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) or the State Department as a result of extending the program would be insignificant. INS fees are classified as offsetting receipts (a credit against direct spending), and the State Department fees are classified as governmental receipts (i.e., revenues).

PAY-AS-YOU-GO CONSIDERATIONS

The Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act specifies pay-as-you-go procedures for legislation affecting direct spending and receipts. These procedures would apply to H.R. 4558 because it would affect both direct spending and receipts, but CBO estimates that the annual amount of such changes would not be significant.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

H.R. 4558 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA and would impose no costs on State, local, or tribal governments.

ESTIMATE PREPARED BY:

Federal Costs: Mark Grabowicz (226-2860)
Impact on State, Local, and Tribal Governments: Angela Seitz
(225-3220)
Impact on the Private Sector: Paige Piper/Bach (226-2960)

ESTIMATE APPROVED BY:

Peter H. Fontaine
Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 3(d)(1) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee finds the authority for this legislation in article I, section 8, clause 4 of the Constitution.

SECTION-BY-SECTION ANALYSIS AND DISCUSSION

Sec. 1. Extension of Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program.

Section 1 of the bill extends the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program by 1 year, from October 1, 2005, to October 1, 2006.

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW MADE BY THE BILL, AS REPORTED

In compliance with clause 3(e) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, changes in existing law made by the bill, as reported, are shown as follows (existing law proposed to be omitted is enclosed in black brackets, new matter is printed in italics, existing law in which no change is proposed is shown in roman):

**SECTION 2 OF THE IRISH PEACE PROCESS CULTURAL
AND TRAINING PROGRAM ACT OF 1998**

SEC. 2. IRISH PEACE PROCESS CULTURAL AND TRAINING PROGRAM.

(a) PURPOSE.—

(1) * * *

(2) SCOPE AND DURATION OF PROGRAM.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The program under paragraph (1) shall provide for the admission of not more than 4,000

aliens under section 101(a)(15)(Q)(ii) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (including spouses and minor children) in each of [3] 4 consecutive program years.

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(3) RECORDS AND REPORT.—The Immigration and Naturalization Service shall maintain records of the nonimmigrant status and place of residence of each alien admitted under the program. Not later than 120 days after the end of the third program year and for the [3] 4 subsequent years, the Immigration and Naturalization Service shall compile and submit to the Congress a report on the number of aliens admitted with nonimmigrant status under section 101(a)(15)(Q)(ii) who have overstayed their visas.

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(d) SUNSET.—

(1) Effective October 1, [2005,] 2006, the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program Act of 1998 is repealed.

(2) Effective October 1, [2005,] 2006, section 101(a)(15)(Q) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(Q)) is amended—

(A) * * *

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MARKUP TRANSCRIPT

BUSINESS MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JULY 17, 2002

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY,
Washington, DC.

The Committee met, pursuant to notice, at 10:05 a.m., in Room 2141, Rayburn House Office Building, Hon. F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr. [Chairman of the Committee] presiding.

Chairman SENSENBRENNER. The Committee will be in order.

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The next item on the agenda is H.R. 5—excuse me, 4558, to extend the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Pennsylvania, Mr. Gekas, for a motion.

Mr. GEKAS. Mr. Chairman, the Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security and Claims reports favorably the bill H.R. 4558 and moves its favorable recommendation to the full House.

Chairman SENSENBRENNER. Without objection, H.R. 4558 will be considered as read and open for amendment at any point.

[The bill, H.R. 4558, follows:]

107TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4558

To extend the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 23, 2002

Mr. WALSH introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on International Relations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To extend the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF IRISH PEACE PROCESS CUL-**
4 **TURAL AND TRAINING PROGRAM.**

5 Section 2 of the Irish Peace Process Cultural and
6 Training Program Act of 1998 (8 U.S.C. 1101 note) is
7 amended—

8 (1) in subsection (a)(2)(A) by striking “3” and
9 inserting “4”;

- 1 (2) in subsection (a)(3) by striking "3" and in-
2 serting "4";
3 (3) in subsection (d)(1) by striking "2005,"
4 and inserting "2006,"; and
5 (4) in subsection (d)(2) by striking "2005,"
6 and inserting "2006,".

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Chairman SENSENBRENNER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Pennsylvania to strike the last word.

Mr. GEKAS. In so doing, Mr. Chairman, I enter into the record the following remarks: H.R. 4558 extends the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program by 1 year. The bill amends the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program Act of 1998, which established a cultural training program for disadvantaged individuals to assist the Irish peace process. The program creates 12,000 3-year non-immigrant visas, the Q qualification or classification, for adults between the ages of 18 and 35 years old, and who live in disadvantaged areas in Northern Ireland and border counties of Ireland.

The program enacted in 1998 is set to sunset on October 1, 2005. The purpose of the visa is to provide—is that correct, 2005?

The purpose of the visa is to provide practical training, employment, and the experience of co-existence and conflict resolution in a diverse society and strong economy such as ours. After the trainees return home, they can provide the crucial skill base needed to attract private investment in their local economies. The program got off to a late start due to funding trouble. As such, H.R. 4558 would extend the program 1 year so that additional young people can take advantage of this successful program and become peace-makers for Northern Ireland.

I urge everyone to support the bill, and I ask unanimous consent to enter into the record a statement in support of this legislation issued by our colleague from New York, the gentleman from New York, Jim Walsh, and his statement is apropos to the statements made by the Chair.

Chairman SENSENBRENNER. Without objection, the statement will be entered in the record.

[The prepared statement of Mr. Walsh follows:]

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MEMBER OF CONGRESS
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ASSISTANT MAJORITY WHIP
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CHAIRMAN
FRIENDS OF IRELAND

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MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

July 16, 2002

Committee on the Judiciary
Statement by The Honorable James T. Walsh on H.R. 4558

I would like to thank Chairman Sensenbrenner for the Committee's prompt consideration of H.R. 4558, a bill to extend the "Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program Act of 1998," or Walsh Visa program. I appreciate his efforts in getting this important legislation brought before the Committee today.

The original legislation I sponsored, P.L. 105-319, the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program Act of 1998, creates 12,000, three-year, non-immigrant visas (Q classification) for adults between the ages of 18 and 35 years old and who live in disadvantaged areas in Northern Ireland and Border Counties of Ireland. As a low-cost, low-risk, high-return investment in peace, it affords people an opportunity to obtain valuable job skills and the experience of working in the world's greatest economy. After their visit, participants would then return home to provide the crucial skill base needed to attract private investment in their local economies.

Signed into law by President Clinton on October 30, 1998, this program is intended to support economic regeneration and peace and reconciliation in Ireland. The program identifies disadvantaged areas within Northern Ireland and the Border Counties which require public and private sector activity to break the cycle of structural unemployment, retrain the long-term unemployed and out-of-work youth, and in doing so, assist in regenerating the economies of these locales.

Since its inception, the Walsh Visa program has already allowed over 500 young people from Northern Ireland and the border counties to travel to the U.S. to immerse themselves in American culture. Today, approximately 522 visas have been issued since the program was started in 2000 and the Program Administrator is expecting about 250 additional visas to be issued in FY03 if an extension of the program is established. I believe the majority of participants involved are having a positive experience and will make a significant contribution to their country when they return home.

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The legislation before the Committee today simply extends the program for an additional year. Current regulations state that "INS may only admit 4,000 aliens per year under this program, for a maximum of 36 months each, and only during fiscal years 2000, 2001, and 2002...." This legislation would simply allow another group of participants in FY 2003 obtain a three year Q-2 visa and enter into the program. This is understood by the State Department as well as the Ireland and Northern Ireland governments.

This legislation has broad support from the Members of the Northern Ireland Assembly, Members of the Irish Dail, private sector businesses in Northern Ireland and Ireland, and the U.S. State Department. At a time of fiscal austerity, the visa program is a relatively inexpensive way to promote peace, reconciliation and stability.

Again, I would like to thank Members of the Committee as well as Chairman Sensenbrenner for holding this mark-up of H.R. 4558. I look forward to working with the Committee on this important piece of legislation.

Chairman SENSENBRENNER. Without objection, opening statements by other Members will be entered into the record.

Are there amendments? If there are no amendments, in the absence of a reporting quorum, without objection, the previous question on the motion to report favorably is adopted.

[Intervening business.]

The Committee now returns to the pending unfinished business upon which the previous question was ordered on H.R. 4558.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Chairman, I'd like to move for reconsideration of H.R. 4558.

Chairman SENSENBRENNER. Does the gentlewoman move to reconsider the vote by which the previous question was ordered on H.R. 4558?

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Yes, Mr. Chairman.

Chairman SENSENBRENNER. Did the gentlewoman vote on the prevailing side?

Ms. JACKSON LEE. I need to move the motion to those who voted on the prevailing side.

Chairman SENSENBRENNER. The gentlewoman did not vote on the prevailing side.

Mr. SCOTT. Mr. Chairman? Mr. Chairman? I would so move.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Thank you.

Chairman SENSENBRENNER. The gentleman from Virginia moves reconsideration. The question is: Shall the vote by which the previous question was ordered on reporting the bill H.R. 4558 favorably be reconsidered. Those in favor will say aye. Opposed, no?

The noes appear to have it.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. rollcall.

Chairman SENSENBRENNER. rollcall is requested. Those in favor of reconsidering ordering the previous question on reporting favorably the bill H.R. 4558 will, as your names are called, answer aye; those opposed, no; and the clerk will call the roll.

The CLERK. Mr. Hyde?

Mr. HYDE. No.

The CLERK. Mr. Hyde, no. Mr. Gekas?

Mr. GEKAS. No.

The CLERK. Mr. Gekas, no. Mr. Coble?

Mr. COBLE. No.

The CLERK. Mr. Coble, no. Mr. Smith?
 Mr. SMITH. No.
 The CLERK. Mr. Smith, no. Mr. Gallegly?
 Mr. GALLEGLY. No.
 The CLERK. Mr. Gallegly, no. Mr. Goodlatte?
 Mr. GOODLATTE. No.
 The CLERK. Mr. Goodlatte, no. Mr. Chabot?
 Mr. CHABOT. No.
 The CLERK. Mr. Chabot, no. Mr. Barr?
 Mr. BARR. No.
 The CLERK. Mr. Barr, no. Mr. Jenkins?
 Mr. JENKINS. No.
 The CLERK. Mr. Jenkins, no. Mr. Cannon?
 Mr. CANNON. No.
 The CLERK. Mr. Cannon, no. Mr. Graham?
 [No response.]
 The CLERK. Mr. Bachus?
 Mr. BACHUS. No.
 The CLERK. Mr. Bachus, no. Mr. Hostettler?
 Mr. HOSTETTLER. No.
 The CLERK. Mr. Hostettler, no. Mr. Green?
 Mr. GREEN. No.
 The CLERK. Mr. Green, no. Mr. Keller?
 Mr. KELLER. No.
 The CLERK. Mr. Keller, no. Mr. Issa?
 Mr. ISSA. No.
 The CLERK. Mr. Issa, no. Ms. Hart?
 [No response.]
 The CLERK. Mr. Flake?
 Mr. FLAKE. No.
 The CLERK. Mr. Flake, no. Mr. Pence?
 Mr. PENCE. No.
 The CLERK. Mr. Pence, no. Mr. Forbes?
 Mr. FORBES. No.
 The CLERK. Mr. Forbes, no. Mr. Conyers?
 Mr. CONYERS. Aye.
 The CLERK. Mr. Conyers, aye.
 Mr. Frank?
 [No response.]
 The CLERK. Mr. Berman?
 [No response.]
 The CLERK. Mr. Boucher?
 [No response.]
 The CLERK. Mr. Nadler?
 [No response.]
 The CLERK. Mr. Scott?
 Mr. SCOTT. Aye.
 The CLERK. Mr. Scott, aye. Mr. Watt?
 Mr. WATT. Aye.
 The CLERK. Mr. Watt, aye. Ms. Lofgren?
 Ms. LOFGREN. Aye.
 The CLERK. Ms. Lofgren, aye. Ms. Jackson Lee?
 Ms. JACKSON LEE. Aye.
 The CLERK. Ms. Jackson Lee, aye. Ms. Waters?
 Ms. WATERS. Aye.

The CLERK. Ms. Waters, aye. Mr. Meehan?

Mr. MEEHAN. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Meehan, aye. Mr. Delahunt?

Mr. DELAHUNT. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Delahunt, aye. Mr. Wexler?

WEXLER. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Wexler, aye. Mr. Baldwin—Ms. Baldwin?

Ms. BALDWIN. Aye.

The CLERK. Ms. Baldwin, aye. Mr. Weiner?

Mr. WEINER. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Weiner, aye. Mr. Schiff?

Mr. SCHIFF. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Schiff, aye. Mr. Chairman?

Chairman SENSENBRENNER. No.

The CLERK. Mr. Chairman, no.

Chairman SENSENBRENNER. Are there additional Members who wish to cast or change their votes? If not, the clerk will report.

The CLERK. Mr. Chairman, there are 12 ayes and 19 nays.

Chairman SENSENBRENNER. And the motion to reconsider the vote by which the Committee ordered the previous question on favorably reporting the bill is not agreed to.

The Chair notes the presence of a reporting quorum. The question is on reporting favorably the bill H.R. 4558. Those in favor will say aye? Opposed, no?

Ms. JACKSON LEE. rollcall.

Chairman SENSENBRENNER. The ayes appear to have it. The ayes have it and the motion to report—

Ms. LOFGREN. Mr. Chairman?

Chairman SENSENBRENNER.—favorably is agreed to.

Ms. LOFGREN. I request a rollcall.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. rollcall.

Chairman SENSENBRENNER. A rollcall is requested. Those in favor of reporting H.R. 4558 will, as your names are called, answer aye; those opposed, no; and the clerk will call the roll.

The CLERK. Mr. Hyde?

Mr. HYDE. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Hyde, aye. Mr. Gekas?

[No response.]

The CLERK. Mr. Coble?

Mr. COBLE. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Coble, aye. Mr. Smith?

Mr. SMITH. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Smith, aye. Mr. Gallegly?

Mr. GALLEGLY. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Gallegly, aye. Mr. Goodlatte?

Mr. GOODLATTE. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Goodlatte, aye. Mr. Chabot?

Mr. CHABOT. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Chabot, aye. Mr. Barr?

Mr. BARR. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Barr, aye. Mr. Jenkins?

Mr. JENKINS. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Jenkins, aye. Mr. Cannon?

Mr. CANNON. Yes.

The CLERK. Mr. Cannon, aye. Mr. Graham?

[No response.]

The CLERK. Mr. Bachus?

Mr. BACHUS. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Bachus, aye. Mr. Hostettler?

Mr. HOSTETTLER. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Hostettler, aye. Mr. Green?

Mr. GREEN. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Green, aye. Mr. Keller?

Mr. KELLER. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Keller, aye. Mr. Issa?

Mr. ISSA. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Issa, aye. Ms. Hart?

Ms. HART. Aye.

The CLERK. Ms. Hart, aye. Mr. Flake?

Mr. FLAKE. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Flake, aye. Mr. Pence?

Mr. PENCE. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Pence, aye. Mr. Forbes?

Mr. FORBES. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Forbes, aye. Mr. Conyers?

Mr. CONYERS. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Conyers, aye.

Mr. Frank?

[No response.]

The CLERK. Mr. Berman?

[No response.]

The CLERK. Mr. Boucher?

[No response.]

The CLERK. Mr. Nadler?

[No response.]

The CLERK. Mr. Scott?

Mr. SCOTT. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Scott, aye. Mr. Watt?

Mr. WATT. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Watt, aye. Ms. Lofgren?

Ms. LOFGREN. Aye.

The CLERK. Ms. Lofgren, aye. Ms. Jackson Lee?

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Aye.

The CLERK. Ms. Jackson Lee, aye. Ms. Waters?

Ms. WATERS. Aye.

The CLERK. Ms. Waters, aye. Mr. Meehan?

Mr. MEEHAN. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Meehan, aye. Mr. Delahunt?

Mr. DELAHUNT. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Delahunt, aye. Mr. Wexler?

Mr. WEXLER. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Wexler, aye. Ms. Baldwin?

Ms. BALDWIN. Aye.

The CLERK. Ms. Baldwin, aye. Mr. Weiner?

Mr. WEINER. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Weiner, aye. Mr. Schiff?

Mr. SCHIFF. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Schiff, aye. Mr. Chairman?

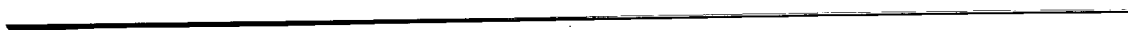
Chairman SENSENBRENNER. Aye.

The CLERK. Mr. Chairman, aye.

Chairman SENSENBRENNER. Are there additional Members in the chamber who wish to cast or change their votes? If not, the clerk will report.

The CLERK. Mr. Chairman, there are 31 ayes and 0 nays.

Chairman SENSENBRENNER. And the motion to report favorably is agreed to. Without objection, the Chairman is authorized to move to go to conference pursuant to House rules. Without objection, the staff is directed to make any technical and conforming changes, and all Members will be given 2 days, as provided by the House rules, in which to submit additional dissenting, supplemental, or minority views.



One Hundred Seventh Congress
of the
United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Wednesday,
the twenty-third day of January, two thousand and two*

An Act

To extend the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of
the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

**SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF IRISH PEACE PROCESS CULTURAL AND
TRAINING PROGRAM.**

Section 2 of the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training
Program Act of 1998 (8 U.S.C. 1101 note) is amended—

- (1) in subsection (a)(2)(A) by striking “3” and inserting
“4”;
- (2) in subsection (a)(3) by striking “3” and inserting “4”;
- (3) in subsection (d)(1) by striking “2005,” and inserting
“2006,”; and
- (4) in subsection (d)(2) by striking “2005,” and inserting
“2006,”.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

*Vice President of the United States and
President of the Senate.*



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

October 1, 2002

THE DIRECTOR

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill H.R 4558 - Extension of the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program
Sponsor - Rep. Walsh (R) New York

Last Day for Action

October 7, 2002 - Monday

Purpose

Extends for one year, through September 30, 2006, the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program, which provides non-immigrant visas to youths from Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland to receive employment experience and training in the United States.

Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Approval

Department of Justice

Approval

Department of State

Approval (Informally)

Department of Commerce

No objection (Informally)

Department of the Treasury

No objection (Informally)

Department of Defense

Defers to State (Informally)

Department of Education

Defers to State (Informally)

Department of Labor

No comment (Informally)

Department of Transportation

No comment (Informally)

Central Intelligence Agency

No comment (Informally)

Office of the U.S. Trade Representative

No comment (Informally)

Discussion

The Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program Act of 1998 (P.L. 105-319) required the Departments of State and Justice to establish the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program, also known as the Walsh Visa Program, to allow young people from disadvantaged areas of Northern Ireland and parts of the Republic of Ireland to enter the United States "for the purpose of developing job skills and conflict resolution abilities in a diverse,

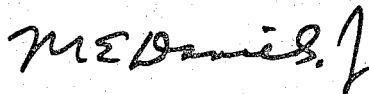
cooperative, peaceful, and prosperous environment." The Act created a new nonimmigrant visa category and authorized the admission to the United States of up to 4,000 qualified individuals annually for three consecutive years. The visas allow individuals to stay in the country for up to three years to participate in the program, which includes pre- and post-employment training and job placement. Under current law, no visas may be issued after September 30, 2002, with the program terminating on October 1, 2005.

To qualify for a visa under the program, an individual must be: (1) a resident of Northern Ireland or one of six specified counties in the Republic of Ireland; (2) 35 years old or younger; and (3) coming to the United States for no more than three years and with the intention of returning to his or her residence after completing the program. The spouses and minor children of these individuals also may qualify for a visa. For each person admitted to the United States under the program, there is a corresponding reduction in the number of H-2B visas (used to admit temporary workers) that may be issued in the current or subsequent fiscal year. (State informally advises that in recent years there have been thousands of unused available H-2B visas at the end of each fiscal year.)

The enrolled bill would extend the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program for one additional year, through September 30, 2006, allowing up to 4,000 three-year visas to be issued in FY 2003. According to the report of the House Judiciary Committee, "because the program had a late start due to funding trouble, H.R. 4558 would extend the program [one] year so that additional young people can take advantage of this program." The enrolled bill would also extend the requirement that INS submit an annual report to the Congress on the number of aliens admitted under the program who have overstayed their visas.

Conclusion and Recommendations

We join Justice and State in recommending approval of H.R. 4558, which passed the House by voice vote and the Senate by unanimous consent.



Mitchell E. Daniels, Jr.
Director

Enclosures



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October 1, 2002

THE DIRECTOR

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill H.R 4558 - Extension of the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program
Sponsor - Rep. Walsh (R) New York

Last Day for Action

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Department of Justice

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Department of State

Approval (Informally)

Department of Commerce

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Department of the Treasury

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Department of Education

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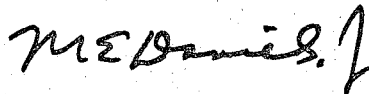
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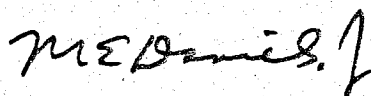
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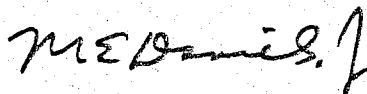
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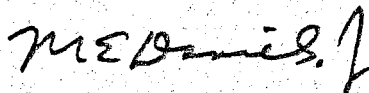
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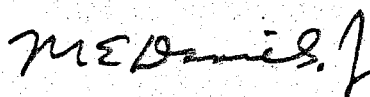
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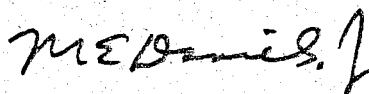
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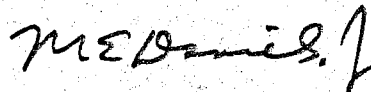
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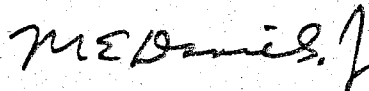
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October 1, 2002

THE DIRECTOR

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill H.R 4558 - Extension of the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program
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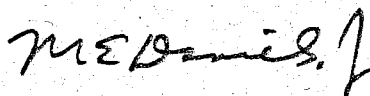
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ENROLLED BILL MEMO H.R. 4558 - EXTENSION OF THE IRISH PEACE PROCESS
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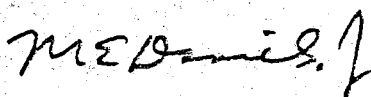
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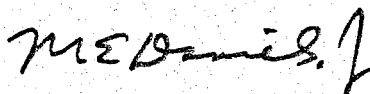
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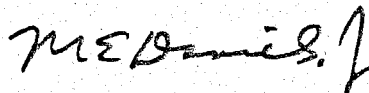
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OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT
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ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, OMB

FROM: JONATHAN BURKS 
DEPUTY STAFF SECRETARY TO THE VICE PRESIDENT

**SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill Memo H.R. 4558 – Extension of the Irish
Peace Process Cultural and Training Program**

The Office of the Vice President has reviewed the above-referenced draft and has no objection to the President signing the enrolled bill.

cc: Harriet Miers
Staff Secretary

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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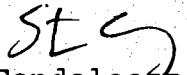
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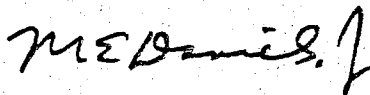
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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

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CULTURAL AND TRAINING PROGRAM

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REMARKS:

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RESPONSE:

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

October 1, 2002

THE DIRECTOR

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill H.R 4558 - Extension of the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program
Sponsor - Rep. Walsh (R) New York

Last Day for Action

October 7, 2002 - Monday

Purpose

Extends for one year, through September 30, 2006, the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program, which provides non-immigrant visas to youths from Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland to receive employment experience and training in the United States.

Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Approval

Department of Justice

Approval

Department of State

Approval (Informally)

Department of Commerce

No objection (Informally)

Department of the Treasury

No objection (Informally)

Department of Defense

Defers to State (Informally)

Department of Education

Defers to State (Informally)

Department of Labor

No comment (Informally)

Department of Transportation

No comment (Informally)

Central Intelligence Agency

No comment (Informally)

Office of the U.S. Trade Representative

No comment (Informally)

Discussion

The Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program Act of 1998 (P.L. 105-319) required the Departments of State and Justice to establish the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program, also known as the Walsh Visa Program, to allow young people from disadvantaged areas of Northern Ireland and parts of the Republic of Ireland to enter the United States "for the purpose of developing job skills and conflict resolution abilities in a diverse,

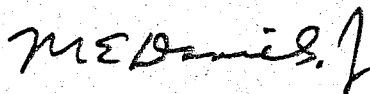
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Bills Received at the White House

Date received and
notification to OMB: 9/25/2002

Last day for action: 10/7/2002

Official Title	
H.R.486	An Act for the relief of Barbara Makuch.
H.R.487	An Act for the relief of Eugene Makuch.
H.R.4558	An Act to extend the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program.

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October 4, 2002

On Friday, October 4, 2002, the President signed into law:

H.J.Res. 112, which provides FY 2003 appropriations for continuing projects and activities of the Federal Government through Friday, October 11, 2002; ✓

H.R. 486, H.R. 487, requires the Federal Government to pay ~~one million dollars~~ *\$1,000,000* each to Barbara and Eugene Makuch for their service as foreign counterintelligence agents with the Federal Bureau of Investigation ~~(FBI)~~; ✓

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