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CONGRESSIONAL RECORD -- SENATE

S 11355

EXECUTIVE SESSION

NOMINATION OF E. HENRY KNOCHE TO BE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

Mr. INOUE. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate go into executive session to consider the nomination of Mr. E. Henry Knoche.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the Senate will now go into executive session.

Mr. INOUE addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Will the Senator withhold. The Senator is entitled to be heard. The Senate is not in order.

Mr. INOUE. Mr. President, I wish to yield to my distinguished colleague from Mississippi, the chairman of the Armed Services Committee.

Mr. STENNIS. Mr. President, if I may make a statement, this nomination here was originally referred to the Senate Armed Services Committee. I am going to ask unanimous consent in a moment with reference to the committee's discharge, but I want to refer now, Mr. President, to a memorandum of understanding between the chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence and the chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, dated today, July 1, 1976. It is concurred in by the Senator from South Carolina and the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. BAKER).

Now, Mr. President, this is an effort on the part of those concerned to work out a working paper between those two committees so that with reference to matters where one needs intelligence from the other there can be a free exchange as well as covering of the matters in which both are interested. It will speak for itself.

I am going to ask unanimous consent that this be printed in the RECORD at this point. It is signed by each of the chairmen.

There being no objection, the memorandum was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE AND THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE

In all matters of concern to both the Senate Armed Services Committee and the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, the Chairman, members, staffs of the two Committees shall make every effort to assist and facilitate the work of the two Committees.

In legislative matters relating to intelligence the procedures and responsibilities set forth in S. Res. 400 will be followed. Both Committees will make every effort to assure that the U.S. Intelligence Community supplies all intelligence information requested by either Committee. In addition, both Committees will cooperate to preserve the right of either Committee to call witnesses from the U.S. Intelligence Community, obtain appropriate information and hold hearings on

intelligence matters necessary to the work of either Committee.

Where there are questions of joint concern between the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence and the Senate Armed Services Committee, they will be promptly made a matter of consultation and resolution between the Chairmen of the two Committees, the full Committees, and the Chiefs of Staffs of both Committees as may be appropriate.

JOHN C. STENNIS,
Chairman, Senate Armed Services Committee.

DANIEL K. INOUE,
Chairman, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence.

Mr. STENNIS. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate Armed Services Committee be discharged from further consideration of this nomination and the Senate proceed to consider it.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection? The Chair hears none, and it is so ordered.

The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

Nomination of E. Henry Knoche, of Virginia, to be Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, reported earlier today from the Committee on Armed Services.

Mr. INOUE. Mr. President, I am pleased to report to the Senate that the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence considered the nomination of Mr. Knoche, conducted hearings exceeding 7 hours, and at the conclusion thereof came forth with the unanimous decision to recommend his approval as the new Deputy Director of the CIA.

Mr. Knoche has been a career employee of the Agency for 23 years. His specialty has been in the analytical field. The entire committee feels this is a great indication because, as of this moment, if there is any weakness in the CIA, it is in the Analysis Department.

We look forward to great things coming from Mr. Knoche. We wish him the best. We are pleased to see that we have a fine civil servant assisting us in our intelligence gathering activities.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the nomination is considered and confirmed.

NOMINATION OF THOMAS J. HOUSER TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLICY


Mr. PASTORE. Mr. President, there is a Thomas J. Houser nomination at the desk, and I ask for its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The second assistant legislative clerk read the nomination of Thomas J. Houser, of Illinois, to be Director of the Office of Telecommunications Policy.

Mr. PASTORE. Mr. Houser served at the pleasure of the President. It is his wish to have him as an adviser. There is not much more can be said except he was

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