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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
WASHINGTON, DC 20301

March 22, 8:30 a.m.
Breakfast for Congressional
Leaders
Pentagon, 3E912

March 20, 2001

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

FROM: DIRECTOR OF PROTOCOL (b)(6)

SUBJECT: Breakfast for Congressional Leaders

You have agreed to host a breakfast for U.S. Congressional Delegation Leaders that have recently visited Colombia in the "Eisenhower Dining Room" on Thursday, March 22, 2001, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

The sequence of events is as follows:

8:30 Congressional Delegation members are escorted to your dining room.

A list of participants and a seating chart is attached.

9:30 Conclusion of breakfast.

Congressional members are escorted to the River Entrance.

Attachment



**List of Participants for SECDEF hosted breakfast meeting with
the U.S. Congressional Delegation Leaders/Colombia**

Thursday, March 22, 2001
8:30 a.m.

Office of the Secretary of Defense

The Secretary of Defense

The Deputy Secretary of Defense

Mr. Chris Williams, Special Assistant to the Secretary of Defense

Mr. Lawrence Di Rita, Special to the Secretary of Defense for Legislative Matters

Congressional Members

Senate:

The Honorable Carl Levin, (D-Mich), Ranking Minority Member of the Senate
Armed Services Committee

The Honorable John D. Rockefeller, (D-W.VA.), Ranking Member Commerce,
Science & Transportation; Finance; Veterans' Affairs

The Honorable Bob Graham, (D-Fla), Energy & Natural Resources; Environment
& Public Works; Finance; Veterans' Affairs; Select Intelligence

The Honorable Fred Thompson, (R-Tenn), Finance; Governmental Affairs (Chair)

The Honorable Mike DeWine, (R-Ohio), Health, Education, Labor & Pensions;
Judiciary; Select Intelligence

The Honorable Jon Kyl, (R-Ariz), Appropriations; Judiciary; Special Aging

The Honorable Jack Reed, (D-R.I.), Armed Services; Finance; Select Intelligence;
Joint Economic

The Honorable Bill Nelson, (D-Fla), Armed Services; Budget; Foreign Relations

SECDEF hosted breakfast w/
Congressional Delegations/Colombia
- 20 March 2001/3E912 -

Senator Kyl

Senator Graham

Secretary Rumsfeld

Senator Levin

Senator DeWine

Senator Reed

Mr. Williams

Senator Nelson

Senator Rockefeller

Deputy Secretary

Senator Thompson

Mr. Di Rita

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OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
WASHINGTON, DC 20301

20 March 2001

LEGISLATIVE
AFFAIRS

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

FROM: Larry Di Rita/Legislative Affairs

SUBJECT: Breakfast on March 22 at 0830 Room 3E912 Pentagon with Senators
regarding Plan Colombia

PURPOSE: You will host a working breakfast meeting with Senators who have recently traveled to Colombia and the Andean region. Fact sheet on Plan Colombia at TAB A; bios at TAB B.

Senators attending:

Republicans

Mike DeWine (OH)
Fred Thompson (TN)
Jon Kyl (AZ)

Democrats

Carl Levin (MI)--SASC
Jack Reed (RI)--SASC
Bill Nelson (FL)--SASC
Bob Graham (FL)
Jay Rockefeller (WV)

DISCUSSION:

- In general, these members support Plan Colombia and the DoD role. In Senate, International Narcotics Control Caucus chaired by Sen Grassley of Iowa, spearheads this issue. Of note, just one member of the caucus is on Senate Armed Services or Defense Approps.
- Sen. DeWine is the most active member of the caucus and in Senate on this issue. Last Congress, he chaired Western Hemisphere Subcommittee of Foreign Relations. He has Sen. Lott's ear. Sen. Graham is in caucus and strong supporter. Sens. Graham/DeWine went to Colombia 8-12 Mar.
- Some are starting to call for more aggressive U.S. action to save Colombia's government. Professionalizing the Colombian military is a big theme. Sens. DeWine and Levin have been particularly vocal on the regional implications. On 13 March DeWine and Graham co-sponsored the Andean Trade Preference Expansion Act, which gives NAFTA-like preference to Colombia, Peru, etc.
- Generally, those Members without DoD oversight responsibility have been driving this issue. Defense committees support, but are skeptical. Sen. McCain has raised all the right nation-building concerns, and voted against Plan Colombia (one of four). His opposition was as much to unrelated pork in it. Senator Byrd, the only Senator on both SASC and SAC-D, imposed the caps on DoD personnel authorized for Plan Colombia (500 military/300 contractor.)
- Real challenge this year will be to limit DoD involvement. Former Drug Czar McCaffrey made other agencies (Justice, State) pay their freight. DoD will increasingly look like the most expedient answer to a growing problem.

A

TAB

SUBJECT: DOD SUPPORT TO PLAN COLOMBIA

- Since late 1980s USG national drug control strategy based on threat of international drug trafficking to U.S. interests domestically and abroad and the requirement for an interagency response.
 - U.S. has emphasized supply reduction as an essential element
 - Focus on breaking foreign sources of supply – primarily Colombia (PDD-73)
- In July 2000, Congress passed a \$1.3 billion emergency supplemental to support Colombian President Pastrana's agenda for reform (*Plan Colombia*)
 - Colombia is currently plagued by a general breakdown of law and order, an exploding narcotics problem, an insurgency, a staggering recession, and serious human rights and humanitarian concerns
- In the supplemental, Congress provided DoD with \$154.1M to enhance Colombia's ability to combat drug production and trafficking. Activities include training and equipping two additional Colombian Army CD battalions for the CD Brigade, creating an air interdiction capability, and enhancing Colombia's ground interdiction capability.
 - DoD support is part of a broader USG assistance package (primarily Department of State)
 - DoD support builds on previous counterdrug assistance (see Tab A for authorities);
 - DoD military presence in country averages between 250 and 350 personnel depending on training cycles. Congressional cap (500 military/300 U.S. citizen contractors)
- In his confirmation hearings, Secretary Powell stated that the current Administration would continue support of President Pastrana's peace initiative and Plan Colombia. There are, however, no formal treaties or other written agreements on future US support to Colombia.
- DoD has budgeted \$104M for support to Colombia in FY 02, largely sustainment of ongoing activities.

B

TAB

SAF/LLZ (Legislative Research Team)

DeWINE, Michael (Republican)
Senior Senator from Ohio
Elected (1994) to US Senate; reelected
Present term expires January 2007



BACKGROUND

Born: Springfield, Ohio - 5 January 1947
Home: Cedarville, Ohio
Marital status: Married (Frances) - 7 children (1 deceased)
Religion: Roman Catholic
Education: Miami U of Ohio, B.S. 1969; Ohio North U., J.D. 1972
Military: None specified
Profession: Public official; lawyer

Political: Greene County prosecuting attorney, 1977-80; Ohio Senate, 1981-82; US House, 1982-90; Ohio Lt. governor, 1991-94; Defeated Joel Hyatt (D) with 53% of the vote in the 1994 race to succeed the retiring Sen Howard Metzenbaum (D-OH). Reelected in Nov 2000 with 60%.

Sen DeWine is a conservative. In the 106th Congress, appointed to the US Senate Caucus on Int'l Narcotics Control. Also served as a member of the Senate Delegation to the Canada-US Interparliamentary Group. Wrote 26Apr99 Defense News article, "Reinvest in US Research: Air Force Superiority Flies on Yesterday's Science." Drew attention to the 160 people being cut from AF Research Lab at WPAFB. Wrote ltr to Pentagon complaining about loss of science money; fears AF isn't considering the long term effects of its budget cuts: "We would lose not just good people, but unequalled expertise." Asked "Why are our aircraft so overwhelmingly dominant and untouchable on the battlefield? The answer: the Air Force made an investment many years ago in science and technology research and we are now reaping the returns of that investment." Noted that over the last 10 years, the AF has reduced the S&T workforce by 2,375 people. Said he was troubled by the AF proposal to fund the Space Based Laser and Discoverer II with S&T resources. Commended Ohio's 445th Air Reserve Wing for its efforts in rebuilding infrastructure in the Caribbean following Hurricane Mitch. Expressed concern about conditions in Haiti and cosponsored amdt to Foreign Ops Appns providing assistance to Haiti. Expressed concern that the decade-long struggle in the Balkans is being duplicated in Colombia; offered sense of the Senate amdt regarding Colombia. Offered amdt to the supplemental to provide the State Dept to carry out certain counterdrug R&D activities. Opposes the unilateral declaration of a Palestinian state. Cosponsored S. 768, Military and Extraterritorial Jurisdiction Act of 1999. Stated "the time has come to restore our nation's military readiness." Drew attention to complaints he hears at WPAFB regarding eroding benefits, especially retirement pay.

At beginning of the 107th Congress was assigned to the Appropriations and Select Intelligence Cmtes, and came off the Health, Education, Labor & Pensions Cmte. Member, Senate Air Force Caucus

AF Bases: Wright-Patterson AFB; Minor Bases and Reserve Forces

COMMITTEES

APPROPRIATIONS - Subcs include: District of Columbia - Chairman; Military Construction; Treasury; VA-IHUD-Independent Agencies; Labor-HHS

JUDICIARY

SELECT INTELLIGENCE

SAF/LLX (Legislative Research Team)

THOMPSON, Fred D. (Republican)
Junior Senator from Tennessee
Elected (1994) to US Senate in a special election;
reelected
Present term expires January 2003



BACKGROUND

Born: Sheffield, Alabama - 19 August 1942
Home: Nashville, Tennessee
Marital status: Divorced - 3 children
Religion: Protestant
Education: Memphis State U., B.S. 1964; Vanderbilt U., J.D. 1967
Military: None specified
Profession: Actor; lawyer

Political: No previous public office. Worked as Washington lobbyist; chief counsel on the Senate Watergate Cmte in 1973. Campaigned in a pickup truck, calling himself "Ol'Fred." Elected (1994) in a special election for remaining 2 years of VP Gore/Sen Mathews term—Sen Mathews was appointed to Senate on 28Dec92; did not seek reelection to term which expired 8Nov94. Sen Thompson was reelected in 1996 with 61% of the vote.

Sen Thompson is a fiscal conservative. Favors term limits (promised he would serve no more than two terms). Favors a part-time Congress with reduced pay and responsibilities.

In the 106th Congress, offered an amdt to increase, with a rescission, the supplemental appropriations for FY 99 for military construction for the Army National Guard. Expressed support for H.R. 98, to extend the aviation war risk insurance program; remarked "as US troops embark on strikes against Yugoslavia, it is important that we make sure to provide the Administration all of the tools necessary to carry out our foreign policy interests. Explained that the Aviation Insurance Program insures US air carriers against losses resulting from war, terrorism, or other hostile acts. Introduced a bill to amend the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act to streamline the application of cost accounting standards. Believed the bill carefully balances the government's need for greater access to commercial items, particularly those of nontraditional suppliers, with the need for greater access to commercial items, particularly those of nontraditional suppliers, with the need for a strong set of CAS standards to protect the taxpayers from overpayments to contractors. On behalf of the Senate Governmental Affairs Cmte, offered an amdt to the FY 00 DoD Auth bill containing various procurement-related reforms. Opposed S. J. Res. 20, Kosovo/War Powers. Urged his colleagues to support S. 257, missile defense. Believed it was time to act. Said "The technology to develop and deliver nuclear and other weapons of mass destruction is widely available and is spreading rapidly. If we do not prepare today, when the day arrives that America is paralyzed by our own vulnerability to ballistic missile attack or when an attack actually occurs, we will be reduced to telling the American people and history merely that we had hoped this would not happen."

AF Bases: Arnold AFB; Nashville Met Apt (ANG); McGhee-Tyson Apt (ANG); Memphis IAP (ANG)

COMMITTEES

GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS -- Chmn; ex officio member of all Subcs
FINANCE

SAF/LLZ (Legislative Research Team)

KYL, Jon (Republican)
Junior Senator from Arizona
Elected 1994 to US Senate; reelected
Present term expires January 2007



BACKGROUND

Born: Oakland, Nebraska - 25 April 1942
Home: Phoenix, Arizona
Religion: Presbyterian
Education: Univ of Arizona, BA, 1964; LLB, 1966
Military: None
Profession: Lawyer and lobbyist

Political: US House, 1986-94. In 1994 defeated Rep Coopersmith (D) with 54% of the vote to succeed Sen Dennis DeConcini (D), who retired. Reelected in 2000 with 79% of the vote.

Sen Kyl is a conservative. His personal style is reserved and low key. When in the House he was the most ardent supporter of SDI. In the 106th Congress, appointed as member of the Senate National Security Working Group. During consideration of the DoD Auth, stated that defense planning should proceed on the basis of assessing the threat, evaluating alternative means to defeat the threat, and funding the requisite weapons systems and force structure. Stressed that arms control agreements should not drive defense programs and force structure, and opposed the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty. Opposed a reduction in the number of Trident nuclear submarines. Concerned about Chinese espionage at DoE weapons labs and in response offered an amdt to restructure DoE nuclear security functions. Opposed the unilateral declaration of a Palestinian state. Urged those opposed to a national missile defense system to consider recent developments such as North Korea's launch of a 3-stage missile in August 1998, Iran's testing of a medium range missile in July 1998, Iraq's success in escaping UNSCOM weapons inspections, improvements in China's ICBM force, and the situation in Russia where 6,000 strategic warheads remain under their control. Said Congress should support various NMD options including a sea-based system. Opposed pay comparability between Federal civilian employees and military personnel. Opposed authorizing President Clinton to conduct military air operations against Yugoslavia. Sponsored a provision in the Senate version of the FY01 intelligence authorization (later dropped in conference) to bolster new counterterrorist technologies, tighten controls over biological pathogens and crack down on terrorist fundraising.

At the beginning of the 107th Congress gave up his seat on the Appropriations Cmte where he had served on the Military Construction Subc, and was appointed to Energy and Finance Cmtes. Called for including US allies under the NMD umbrella and opposed an European Defense Force outside of NATO.

Additional: His father, John H. Kyl, was a former US House member (R-IA-4), 1960-64, 1966-72
AF Bases: Davis-Monthan AFB; Luke AFB; Minor Bases & Reserve Forces

COMMITTEES

JUDICIARY
ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES
FINANCE
SELECT INTELLIGENCE
SENATE NATIONAL SECURITY WORKING GROUP, MAJORITY CO-CHAIRMAN (1999-2000)

SAF/LLZ (Legislative Research Team)

LEVIN, Carl (Democrat)
Senior Senator from Michigan
Elected 1978 to US Senate; reelected
Present term expires January 2003



BACKGROUND

Born: Detroit, Michigan - 28 June 1934
Home: Detroit, Michigan
Marital status: Married (Barbara) - 3 children
Religion: Jewish
Education: Swarthmore College, BA, 1956; Harvard, LLB, 1959
Military: None
Profession: Lawyer

Political: Detroit City Council, 1969-78 (Pres, 1973-78). Defeated GOP incumbent Sen Robert P. Griffin in 1978 with 52% of the vote. Reelected in 1996 with 58% of the vote.

Sen Levin, a liberal, is described as thoughtful and pragmatic. In the 106th Congress, believed FY00 DoD Auth went a long way to meet the priorities established by the Sec/Def and the JCS. Noted that pay increases and retirement initiatives would hopefully help address recruiting and retention problems. Appointed Minority Co-Chmn of the Senate National Security Working Group. Supported unsuccessful effort to authorize another base closure round commencing in 2001. Supported Kerrey (D-NE) amdt to permit increased retirement or dismantlement of strategic nuclear delivery systems. Opposed the January 99 passage of pay and benefits reform legislation (S.4) separate from the rest of the DoD authorization. Cosponsored Sen Biden's National Security Policy Act of 1999. Supported authorizing the President to conduct military air operations and missile strikes against the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. Remarkd that the strategy of fighting and winning two major theater wars (2 MTWs) simultaneously was unrealistic. Joined seven other Democrats in letter to the White House urging the Administration to request increased defense R&D funding for FY01. Commenting on procurement of the F-22, F-18E/F and the Joint Strike Fighter, said he didn't know if the Nation could afford all three. Expressed concern about the backlog and poor quality of DoD security clearance investigations. Co-sponsored amdt to FY01 MILCON approps to strike provisions which would have required ground troops be withdrawn from Kosovo by a fixed date; stated that tying burden-sharing to funding of an ongoing mission was a serious mistake and would send the message to NATO that the US is an unreliable ally. Joined three Senate colleagues in asking GAO to review federal absentee voting laws following the November 2000 elections.

In the 107th Congress called Sec/Def Rumsfeld's nomination a "strong choice". Following a 17Jan01 meeting with President Bush, Sen Levin said he urged the US to advance a broad non-proliferation agenda including reductions in US nuclear force structure from 6000 to 3500.

Also urged that the US not unilaterally withdraw from the ABM Treaty.

Additional: Board of Visitors, US Military Academy, 1995-96. His brother, Rep Sander M. Levin (D), serves in the House representing Michigan's 12th District.

AF Bases: Calumet AFS; Port Austin AFS; Kellogg Apt (ANG); Selfridge ANGB (ANG, AFRC)

COMMITTEES

ARMED SERVICES -- Ranking Minority; ex officio of all subcs
GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS
SMALL BUSINESS
SELECT INTELLIGENCE

SAF/LLZ (Legislative Research Team)

REED, Jack (Democrat)
Senior Senator from Rhode Island
Elected 1996 to US Senate
Present term expires January 2003



BACKGROUND

Born: Providence, Rhode Island - 12 November 1949

Home: Cranston, Rhode Island

Marital status: Single

Religion: Roman Catholic

Education: US Military Academy, BS, 1971 (2nd in his class); Harvard, MPP (Master of Public Policy), 1973; JD, 1982

Military: US Army, 1967-79; commanded 82nd Airborne company but did not see action in Vietnam; taught at West Point. Army Reserve, 1979-91

Profession: Lawyer

Political: RI Senate, 1985-91. US House, 1991-96. Succeeded Sen Claiborne Pell (D), who retired. Elected in 1996 with 63% of the vote, defeating Nancy Meyer (R) in the general election.

Sen Reed, a liberal, has been described as bright, decent, and personable. In the 106th Congress, expressed support for another round of base closures. Suggested that the politicization argument is irrelevant because the closures would not take place until the next administration. Said he was unable to sign the FY00 DoD auth conference report, stating that he had grave concerns regarding the DoE reorganization, which he believed should not be undertaken quickly or haphazardly. Concerned that a national missile defense might destabilize the existing arms control regime. Believed the FY99 emergency supplemental approps met the responsibility to provide essential funding for US military operations in Yugoslavia as well as humanitarian aid for Kosovo refugees, while also providing a long overdue pay raise for the military. In January 2000 voiced strong support for the continued presence of the Defense Institute of International Legal Studies (DILIS) at the Naval Justice School on Newport Naval Station. Signed letter to the White House with seven other Democrats urging the Administration to request increased defense R&D funding for FY01. Voiced objection to a provision in the FY01 Defense approps that earmarked the procurement of Air Force C-130J aircraft to go to Western States Air National Guard units for firefighting. Added that this was the first time Congress had usurped the authority of the Air Force in determining which units should receive new C-130 aircraft. Following the November 2000 elections defended the absentee ballot challenges in Florida and denied that they were targeted at overseas military or civilian voters.

At the beginning of the 107th Congress became the ranking Democrat on the Joint Economic Cmte, became ranking Dem on the SASC Strategic Subc, and came off the SASC AirLand Subc.

Additional Background: Naval Education & Training Center and Naval Undersea Warfare Centers are located in RI as well as defense contractors including Raytheon and Electric Boat.
AF Bases: Quonset State Apt (ANG)

COMMITTEES

ARMED SERVICES - Subcs on Strategic - Ranking; Personnel; Seapower

BANKING, HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE - Ranking

SAF/LLZ (Legislative Research Team)

NELSON, Bill (Democrat)
Junior Senator from Florida
Elected 2000 to the US Senate
Present term expires January 2007



BACKGROUND

Born: Miami, Florida - 29 September 1942
Home: Tallahassee, Florida
Marital status: Married (Grace) - 2 children
Religion: Episcopalian
Education: Yale Univ, BA, 1965; Univ of Virginia, JD, 1968
Military: US Army, 1968-70; Army Reserve, 1965-71
Profession: Lawyer; astronaut
Political: FL House, 1973-79; US House, 1979-91; sought Democratic nomination for Gov, 1990; FL treasurer, insurance commissioner, 1995-2000. Defeated Rep Bill McCollum (R) in the 2000 election with 51% of the vote to succeed Sen Connie Mack (R), who retired.
Sen Nelson casts himself as a centrist in the mold of Florida's senior senator, Sen Bob Graham (D). During the campaign, showcased issues with broad appeal, such as adding a prescription drug benefit to Medicare and the need to protect consumer privacy. Advocated fiscal restraint and backed the concept of using budget surpluses to shore up Social Security. Pledged to push for more federal education money to reduce class sizes and modernize schools. Said defense spending should be increased to provide, among other things, adequate pay to help attract and retain quality personnel for our volunteer armed forces. Added that research and development on a number of defense programs should be increased, including a missile defense shield. Said that US readiness is not low and voiced support for the interventions in Haiti, Bosnia and Kosovo. As a member of the SASC said he would push to allow voting over the internet from military bases overseas. On the Foreign Relations Cmte will focus on anti-terrorism issues, and as a member of the Budget Cmte will oppose the big tax-cut proposal by President Bush. (Orlando Sentinel, 12Jan01)
Additional: As a US House member was Chairman of the Science, Space and Technology Subcmte on Space and was a strong proponent of the US space program. Also served on what is now called Banking and Financial Services Cmte. Was a crew member on Space Shuttle Columbia mission in 1986. In addition to the below noted AF facilities, also will act in the interests of Navy facilities in and around Pensacola, Mayport, Jacksonville and Key West.
AF Bases: Eglin, Hurlburt Field, MacDill, Patrick, and Tyndall AFBs; Avon Park AF Range; Cape Canaveral AFS; Jacksonville IAP (ANG); Reserve Forces

COMMITTEES

ARMED SERVICES - Subcs: Strategic; Emerging Threats & Capabilities; Airland

FOREIGN RELATIONS

BUDGET

SAF/LLZ (Legislative Research Team)

GRAHAM, Bob (Democrat)
Senior Senator from Florida
Elected (1986) to US Senate; reelected
Present term expires January 2005



BACKGROUND

Born: Coral Gables, Florida - 9 November 1936

Home: Miami Lakes, Florida

Marital status: Married, Adele - 4 daughters

Religion: United Church of Christ

Education: U. of Florida, B.A., 1959; Harvard Law School, LL.B. 1962

Profession: Attorney; developer and cattleman

Military: None

Political: FL House, 1967-71; FL Senate, 1971-9; Governor of FL, 1979-87. In 1986 succeeded Paula Hawkins (R), whom he defeated in the general election. Reelected in 1992 with 66% of the vote. Reelected in 1998 with 63% of the vote.

Sen Graham is a moderate Democrat. In the 106th Congress supported using the Social Security surplus solely to pay off the national debt. Offered amends to the FY00 DoD approps to set aside funds for space launch facilities, for a second team of personnel for range reconfiguration to accommodate launch schedules; and for the F-15A/B data link for the Air National Guard. Supported a bill to improve border patrols. Submitted resolutions concerning free Haitian elections and the human rights situation in Cuba. Appointed to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe (Helsinki Commission). Was one of the 8 Senators to vote against the 1999 package of military pay and retirement reforms, noting that the bill proposed \$16.5B in unfunded direct outlays. Announced that he reluctantly supported the FY99 supplemental approps because it contained important funding for the troops in the Balkans, but shared the concern of some of his colleagues that the bill threatened long-term Social Security funding. Said "the repetitive misuse of the emergency process is continuing to erode the Social Security trust fund." Identified cost and the relatively small number of available launch vehicles in the US as the reasons for US share of commercial space launches. In response, supported the enactment of the Commercial Space Act. Following reports of Chinese espionage at DoE labs, supported a commission to review counterintelligence across the federal government. Strongly opposed an amdt to lift the ban on travel to Cuba by Americans. Sponsored a bill encouraging the transition of military retirees into teaching careers. Commended personnel at Eglin AFB's Air Armament Center for their work in support of US air missions in the Balkans. In the fall of 2000 urged the Air Force to complete the process for land conveyance and base reuse at the former Homestead AFB, FL.

At the beginning of the 107th Congress became ranking member on the Intelligence Cmte and was assigned to the Veterans' Affairs Cmte. Complimented President Bush for his decision to conduct a broad defense review prior to making significant changes in military spending.

Announced that improving SIGINT technology at NSA would be a top priority of the SSCI.
AF Bases: Eglin AFB; MacDill AFB; Patrick AFB; Tyndall AFB; Hurlburt Field; Minor Bases and Reserve Forces

COMMITTEES

ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

FINANCE

ENVIRONMENT & PUBLIC WORKS

VETERANS' AFFAIRS

SELECT INTELLIGENCE - Ranking

SAF/LLZ (Legislative Research Team)

ROCKEFELLER, John D. "Jay," IV (Democrat)
Junior Senator from West Virginia
Elected (1984) to US Senate; reelected
Present term expires January 2003



BACKGROUND

Born: New York, NY - 18 June 1937

Home: Charleston, West Virginia

Marital status: Wife, Sharon Percy, is daughter of former Sen Charles Percy, R-IL - 4 children

Religion: Presbyterian

Education: International Christian U., Tokyo, Japan, 1957-60; Harvard U., B.A. 1961

Military: None

Profession: Social worker; public official

Political: WV House, 1967-68; Secretary of State, 1969-73; unsuccessful candidate for governor, 1972; WV Governor, 1977-84. In 1984, defeated John R. Raese (R) for the seat of retiring Sen Jennings Randolph (D), winning 52% of the vote. Reelected in 1996 with 77% of the vote.

Sen Rockefeller is a liberal. Chmn, Pepper Commission which came out in Mar90 for universal medical insurance coverage and long-term care for all Americans. In the 105th Congress, proposed legislation to implement the recommendations of the Presidential Advisory Cmte on Gulf War Veterans' Illnesses. Suggested that US commanders knew where the Iraqis had hidden large stocks of chemical weapons. In the 106th Congress thanked Taiwan for its generous gift of economic assistance to Kosovo. Supported the use of Montgomery GI bill benefits for preparatory courses for college and graduate school admission exams. Also supported a demonstration project to provide the VA with medicare reimbursement for medicare health-care services provided to certain medicare-eligible veterans. Expressed concern about the condition of health care for veterans and the 5-year flat-lined veterans health care budget. Has been sharply critical of military leadership for subjecting troops to experimental health treatment without their informed consent. Cosponsored the Technology Transfer Commercialization Act. to improve the ability of Federal agencies to license Federally-owned inventions. Also introduced, with others, the Federal Research Investment Act. Commended the ANG Director and Governor of West Virginia for declaring 1999 as the "Year of the Enlisted Force." Praised a Nov 99 report of the National Academy of Sciences recommending that Congress establish a national center for military health controlled by neither DoD nor the VA. Said the Dec 2000 DoD report confirming US ground forces in the Gulf War were exposed to chemical weapons was welcome but said the 10-year delay in releasing the information was inexcusable.

At the beginning of the 107th Congress was assigned to the Select Intelligence Cmte.

Additional Background: Peace Corps, 1961-63; VISTA volunteer, WV, 1964. President, W.Va. Wesleyan College, 1973-75. Former National Finance Chmn, Democratic National Cmte

AF Bases: Kanawha Co. Apt (ANG); Eastern WV Regional Apt (ANG)

COMMITTEES

VETERANS' AFFAIRS - Ranking

COMMERCE, SCIENCE AND TRANSPORTATION -- Subc on Aviation (Ranking)

FINANCE

SELECT INTELLIGENCE