

## CAGS WASHINGTON WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

### National Security Highlights from Capitol Hill.

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### Weeks of October 21 – November 1, 2013

*\*Due to the limited security related activity in Congress during the week of October 21-25, CAGS has combined updates from two weeks in this week's newsletter\**

- **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22**

*House of Representatives*

**Representative Timothy Bishop (D-NY1)** introduced [H. Con. Res. 61](#), expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the execution-style murders of United States citizens Ylli, Agron, and Mehmet Bytyqi in the Republic of Serbia in July 1999; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

- **MONDAY, OCTOBER 28**

*House of Representatives*

**Representative Ed Royce (R-CA)** introduced [H. R. 3344](#): To ensure that the provision of foreign assistance does not contribute to human trafficking and to combat human trafficking by requiring greater transparency in the recruitment of foreign workers. The bill was assigned to the House Committees on Education and Workforce and Foreign Affairs, in addition to the House Committee on Judiciary.

- **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29**

*House of Representatives*

**Representative James Sensenbrenner Jr. (R-WI)** introduced [H. R. 3361](#): To reform the authorities of the Federal Government to require the production of certain business records, conduct electronic surveillance, use pen registers and trap and trace devices, and use other forms of information gathering for foreign intelligence, counterterrorism, and criminal purposes. It was assigned to the House Committee on Financial Services, in addition to the House Committee on the Judiciary and the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence.

*Senate*

**Senator Patrick Leahy (D-VT)** introduced **S. 1599**: Uniting and Strengthening America by Fulfilling Rights and Ending Eavesdropping, Dragnet-collection, and Online Monitoring Act. The bill intends to reform the authorities of the Federal Government to require the production of certain business records, conduct electronic surveillance, use pen registers and trap and

trace devices, and use other forms of information gathering for foreign intelligence, counterterrorism, and criminal purposes. S. 1599 was assigned to the Senate Committee on the Judiciary, where it awaits consideration.

#### Committee Hearings:

##### *House of Representatives*

**Committee on Armed Services**, hearing entitled “*Twenty-five years of Acquisition Reform: Where do we go from here?*”

**Subcommittee on Strategic Forces**, hearing entitled “Nuclear Weapons Modernization Programs: Military, Technical, and Political Requirements for the B61 Life Extension Program and Future Stockpile Strategy”

**Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa**; and **Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific**, hearing entitled “*After the Withdrawal: The Way Forward in Afghanistan and Pakistan (Part II)*”

- **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30**

##### *House of Representatives*

**Representative Mike Rogers (R-MI)** introduced **H. R. 3381**, providing authorization of appropriations for fiscal year 2014 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the U.S. government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, as well as for other purposes. It was assigned to House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, where it awaits consideration.

**Representative Steve Chabot (R-OH)** introduced **H. R. 3398**, authorizing the Secretary of State and the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development to provide assistance to support the rights of women and girls in developing countries, and for other purposes. It was assigned to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, where it awaits consideration.

**Representative Trent Franks (R-AZ)** introduced **H. R. 3410**: To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to secure critical infrastructure against electromagnetic pulses, and for other purposes. It was assigned the House Committee on Homeland Security, where it awaits consideration.

**Representative Mark Sanford (R-SC)** introduced **H. R. 3436**: To require the Director of the National Security Agency and the Inspector General of the National Security Agency to be appointment by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and for other purposes. The bill was assigned to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform and the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, where it awaits consideration.

**Representative Eric Swalwell (D-CA)** introduced **H. R. 3438**: To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to authorize use of grants under the Urban Area Security Initiative and the State Homeland Security Grant Program to work in conjunction with a

Department of Energy national laboratory. The bill was assigned to the House Committee on Homeland Security, where it awaits consideration.

*Senate*

**Senator Michael Bennet (D-CO)** introduced **S. 1611**: A bill to require certain agencies to conduct assessments of data centers and develop data center consolidation and optimization plans. The bill was assigned to the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, where it awaits consideration.

**Senator Susan Collins (R-ME)** introduced **S. 1618**: A bill to enhance the Office of Personnel Management background check system for the granting, denial, or revocation of security clearances or access to classified information of employees and contractors of the Federal Government. The bill was assigned to the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, where it awaits consideration.

**Senator Al Franken (D-MN)** introduced **S. 1621**: A bill to enhance transparency for certain surveillance programs authorized by the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 (FISA) and for other purposes. The bill was assigned to the Senate Judiciary committee, where it awaits consideration.

Committee Hearings:

*House of Representatives*

**Committee on Foreign Affairs and Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, and Emerging Threats**, hearing entitled *“China's Maritime and other Geographic Threats”*

**Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa and Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations**, hearing entitled *“Establishing a Syrian War Crimes Tribunal?”*

**Committee on Homeland Security and Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications; and Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies**, hearing entitled *“Cyber Incident Response: Bridging the Gap Between Cybersecurity and Emergency Management.”*

• **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31**

*Senate*

**Senator Dianne Feinstein (D-CA)** introduced [S.1631](#), a bill to consolidate the congressional oversight provisions of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 and for other purposes; from the Select Committee on Intelligence.