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NOTICE TO THE PRESS

The President has signed H.R. 508 - Authority for certain Defense employees to administer oaths.

This bill authorizes civilians employed by the Department of Defense to administer oaths while conducting official investigations.

Under existing law, active duty military personnel detailed to conduct investigations are authorized to administer oaths in the performance of their duties. This authority, however, does not apply to civilian employees of the Department of Defense conducting similar investigations.

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The President has signed H.R. 4113 - Relief of Mitsue Karimata Stone.

This legislation admits the alien wife of a U.S. serviceman into the United States, notwithstanding a previous conviction for unlawful possession of heroin.

The bill will waive a section of the Immigration and Nationality Act which excludes aliens convicted of any drug law violation from entry into the United States, authorize the issuance of an immigrant visa to the beneficiary, Mrs. Mitsue Karimata Stone, and permit her admission into the United States for permanent residence.

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The President has signed H.R. 4046 - Relief of Valerie Ann Phillips, nee Chambers.

This bill permits the entry into the United States of the alien wife of a U.S. citizen, notwithstanding her prior conviction for unlawful possession of marijuana.

The bill will waive a section of the Immigration and Nationality Act, which makes an alien convicted of a drug offense ineligible for admission into the United States, in order to authorize the issuance of an immigration visa to Mrs. Valerie Ann Phillips and permit her entry for permanent residence.

The President has signed H.R. 8555 - Relief of Angel Pader Cabal.

This bill permits an alien widower and father of U.S. citizens to remain in the United States.

The bill will restore an immediate relative classification to the beneficiary, an alien widower and father of U.S. citizens, and permit him to apply for permanent residence.

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The President has signed:

- H.R. 1399 - Relief of Maria Del Carmen Alvarado Martinez.
- H.R. 1758 - Relief of Terrence Jarome Caguiat.
- H.R. 4939 - Relief of Manuel Bonotan.
- H.R. 5750 - Relief of Chu Wol Kim.
- H.R. 8451 - Relief of Jung Shik Yang.
- H.R. 8907 - Relief of Yong Won Lee.

These private relief bills will authorize preferential treatment under the Immigration and Nationality Act for the admission of certain alien children into the United States for adoption purposes.

These bills facilitate the immigration of children to the U.S. for adoption purposes.

Each of the bills will authorize the classification of each alien child, respectively, as an immediate relative child and permit the approval of immigration visa petitions filed by the adopted or prospective adopting parents.

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