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1 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
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3 U.S. SENATE
4 Committee on Finance
5 Washington, D.C.

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6 The meeting was convened, pursuant to notice, at 12:46
7 p.m., the Honorable Lloyd Bentsen (Chairman) presiding.
8 Present: Senators Bentsen, Packwood and Armstrong.
9 Also present: Vanda McCurtry, Chief Counsel and Staff
10 Director.

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1 The Chairman. This meeting will come to order.

2 Senator Packwood. Mr. Chairman, I would move that we
3 report Dr. Sullivan favorably.

4 The Chairman. I would ask that we have a roll call at
5 this point and if you will proceed on that.

6 Senator Armstrong. Mr. Chairman, is it your desire to
7 have a roll call or would you just like to have a voice
8 vote? Would you be willing to have a voice vote?

9 The Chairman. No, I would prefer that we have the roll
10 call, Senator.

11 Senator Armstrong. Well, Mr. Chairman, then let me just
12 say -- take a moment to explain how I am going to vote.

13 I can here this morning intending to vote for the
14 confirmation of Dr. Sullivan and when it comes to the floor
15 I may yet do so. But I am disturbed by the responses I
16 received this morning which took me by surprise. I felt I
17 had reason to believe that he would be forthcoming about the
18 matters I have raised and even since his testimony some
19 questions suggested by his testimony have been presented to
20 me which since he has departed I cannot present to him. But
21 I intend to do that before I make up my mind finally.

22 And so, if you have a roll call at this point, I shall
23 vote present, knowing of course that I may be the only one
24 who has these concerns at this time. But just so that I
25 have a chance to sort it out, that will be the reason that I

1 vote present until I have had a chance to fully satisfy
2 myself.

3 The Chairman. Senator, that will so be noted.

4 The Clerk. Mr. Matsunaga.

5 The Chairman. Senator Matsunaga votes aye by proxy.

6 The Clerk. Mr. Moynihan.

7 The Chairman. Aye by proxy.

8 The Clerk. Mr. Baucus.

9 The Chairman. Aye by proxy.

10 The Clerk. Mr. Boren.

11 The Chairman. Aye by proxy.

12 The Clerk. Mr. Bradley.

13 The Chairman. Aye by proxy.

14 The Clerk. Mr. Mitchell.

15 The Chairman. Aye by proxy.

16 The Clerk. Mr. Pryor.

17 The Chairman. Aye by proxy.

18 The Clerk. Mr. Riegle.

19 The Chairman. Aye by proxy.

20 The Clerk. Mr. Rockefeller.

21 The Chairman. Aye by proxy.

22 The Clerk. Mr. Daschle.

23 The Chairman. Aye by proxy.

24 The Clerk. Mr. Packwood.

25 Senator Packwood. Aye.

1 The Clerk. Mr. Dole.
2 Senator Packwood. Aye by proxy.
3 The Clerk. Mr. Roth.
4 (No response.)
5 The Clerk. Mr. Danforth.
6 Senator Packwood. Aye by proxy.
7 The Clerk. Mr. Chafee.
8 Senator Packwood. Aye by proxy.
9 The Clerk. Mr. Heinz.
10 Senator Packwood. Aye by proxy.
11 The Clerk. Mr. Durenberger.
12 (No response)
13 The Clerk. Mr. Armstrong.
14 Senator Armstrong. Present.
15 The Clerk. Mr. Symms.
16 (No response.)
17 The Clerk. Mr. Chairman.
18 The Chairman. Aye.
19 The Clerk. The vote is 17 ayes, 1 voting present. The
20 nomination of Louis Sullivan favorably reported.
21 The Chairman. Dr. Sullivan will be reported out by the
22 committee.
23 Now the other one we had before us is adoption of a
24 proposed change in committee rules of procedure. In that
25 one the only change is one requiring that we have written

1 testimony submitted 48 hours prior to the hearing instead of
2 the 24 hours under the present rules.

3 Is there any objection to the adoption of the rules and
4 this particular change?

5 Senator Packwood. I think it is a good suggestion, Mr.
6 Chairman.

7 The Chairman. All in favor, make in known by saying,
8 aye.

9 (A chorus of ayes.)

10 The Chairman. Opposed, same sign.

11 (No response.)

12 The Chairman. Now, at this point I would like to
13 propose a designation of committee members to serve on the
14 joint committee on taxation. I would propose that we choose
15 them -- five members chosen by the committee, three from the
16 majority, two from the minority. In the past they have been
17 chosen on the basis of seniority and these have been chosen
18 in the same manner. It is the Chairman, Senator Matsunaga,
19 Senator Moynihan, Senator Packwood and Senator Dole.

20 May I have a motion to that effect?

21 Senator Packwood. I so move that we approve.

22 The Chairman. All in favor of that motion make it known
23 by saying, aye.

24 (A chorus of ayes.)

25 The Chairman. So carried.

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This committee will stand adjourned. Thank you.
(Whereupon, at 12:50 p.m., the meeting was concluded.)

C E R T I F I C A T E

This is to certify that the foregoing proceedings of an Executive Committee Meeting of the United States Senate Finance Committee, held on February 23, 1989, were transcribed as herein appears and that this is the original transcript thereof.

William J. Moffitt
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Official Court Reporter

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