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### 3) CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS

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#### INTERNATIONAL SPACE EXPLORATION

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4/27 – 253 Russell Senate Office Building, 3:30pm. Science and Transportation Committee Science, Technology and Space Subcommittee hearing in the International Space Exploration Program. Witnesses: Sven Grahn, VP of engineering and corporate communications, Swedish Space Corporation; John Logsdon, director, Space Policy Institute, GWU; James Oberg, Soaring Hawk Productions, Inc.; Marcia Smith, specialist in aerospace and telecommunications policy, Resources, Science and Industry Division, Congressional Research Service. Contact: 224-1251, <http://commerce.senate.gov/>

#### TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLICY

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4/27 – 253 Russell Senate Office Building, 9:30am. Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee Full committee hearing, "Telecommunications Policy Review: Lessons Learned from the Telcom Act of 1996." Witnesses: David Dornan, chairman/CEO, AT&T Corporation; Richard Notebaert, chairman, CEO, Qwest Communications; James Geiger, CEO, Cbeyond Communications. Contact: 224-1251, <http://commerce.senate.gov/>

#### INTERNATIONAL PHARMACEUTICAL TRADE

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4/27 – 215 Dirksen Senate Office Building, 10am. Senate Finance Committee International Trade Subcommittee and Health Care Subcommittee joint hearing on "International Trade and Pharmaceuticals." Witnesses: Josette Shiner, deputy USTR; Grant Aldonas, undersecretary for international trade, Commerce Dept.; William Hubbard, associate commissioner for policy and planning, FDA; John Calfee, AEI; Gerard Anderson, professor, Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health, Baltimore, Md. Contact: 224-4515, <http://finance.senate.gov/>

#### NEGROPONTE NOMINATION

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4/27 – 419 Dirksen Senate Office Building, 10am. Senate Foreign Relations Committee Full committee hearing on the nomination of John Negroponte to be ambassador to Iraq. Witnesses: The nominee. Contact: 224-4651, <http://foreign.senate.gov/>

#### ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGIES

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4/27 – 628 Dirksen Senate Office Building, 10am. Senate Special Committee on Aging Full committee hearing on assistive technologies for independent aging. Witnesses: Eric Dishman, director, Proactive Health Research, Intel Corporation and chairman, Center for Aging Technologies; Joseph Coughlin, director, MIT AgeLab, Cambridge, Mass.; Lydia Lundberg, owner, Elite Care, Milwaukee, Ore.; Stephen McConnell, senior vice president for public policy and program services, Alzheimer's Assn.; Ronald Seiler, project director, Idaho Assistive Technology Project, Center on Disabilities and Human Development, Univ. of Idaho; Martha Pollack, Univ. of Michigan. Contact: 224-5364, <http://aging.senate.gov/>

#### TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLICY

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4/28 – 253 Russell Senate Office Building, 9:30am. Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee Full committee hearing on "Telecommunications Policy: A Look Ahead." Witnesses: Adam Thierer, director, Telecommunications Studies, Cato Institute; Charles Ferguson, Brookings; George Gilder, Technology and Democracy Project, Discovery Institute; Reed Hundt, former chairman, FCC; Raymond Gifford, president, Progress & Freedom Foundation. Contact: 224-1251, <http://commerce.senate.gov/>

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**PENDING NOMINATIONS (MORIARTY)**

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4/28 – 419 Dirksen Senate Office Building, 10am. Senate Foreign Relations Committee Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs Subcommittee hearing on the nominations of James Moriarty to be ambassador to Nepal; Michele Sison to be ambassador to the United Arab Emirates; Thomas Krajewski to be ambassador to republic of Yemen. Witnesses: The Nominees. Contact: 224-4651, <http://foreign.senate.gov/>

**INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

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4/29 – 138 Dirksen Senate Office Building, 10am. Senate Appropriations Committee Commerce, Justice, State and the Judiciary Subcommittee hearing on intellectual property issues. Witnesses: Jack Valenti, Motion Picture Assn.; Doug Lowenstein, Entertainment Software Alliance; Robert Holleyman, Business Software Alliance; Mitch Bainwol, Recording Industry Assn. of America; Grant Aldonas, International Trade Administration, Commerce Dept.; John Dudas, acting undersecretary for intellectual property, Commerce Dept. and acting undersecretary, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; Earl Wayne, State Dept. Contact: 224-7363, <http://appropriations.senate.gov/>

**TERROR FINANCE PROGRAM**

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4/29 – 538 Dirksen Senate Office Building, 10am. Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee Full committee hearing on "Counterterrorism Initiatives and Concerns in the Terror Financing Program." Witnesses: Samuel Bodman, deputy secretary, Treasury Dept.; William Fox, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network; Richard Newcomb, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury Dept.; Nancy Jardini, IRS. Contact: 224-7391, <http://banking.senate.gov/>

**NEGROPONTE NOMINATION**

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4/29 – 419 Dirksen Senate Office Building, 9:30am. Senate Foreign Relations Committee Full committee markup of the nomination of John Negroponte to be ambassador to Iraq. Contact: 224-4651, <http://foreign.senate.gov/>

**NUCLEAR FACILITY SECURITY**

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4/27 – 2154 Rayburn House Office Building, 10am. House Government Reform Committee National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations Subcommittee hearing on "Nuclear Security: Can DOE Meet Facility Security Requirements. Witnesses: Robin Nazzaro, director for natural resources and environment, GAO; James Noel, Natural Resources and Environment; Danielle Brian, executive director, Project on Government Oversight; Linton Brooks, administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration, Energy Dept.; Glenn Podonsky, director, Office of Security and Safety Performance Assurance, Energy Dept. Contact: 225-5074, <http://reform.house.gov/>

**NORTH KOREA HUMAN RIGHTS**

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4/28 – 2172 Rayburn House Office Building, 1:30pm. House International Relations Committee Asia and the Pacific Subcommittee hearing on "North Korea: Human Rights, Refugees and Humanitarian Changes." Witnesses: Gordon Flake, executive director, Mansfield Foundation; Tarik Radwan, Jubilee Campaign USA; Timothy Peters, founder/director, Helping Hands/Korea; Suzanne Scholte, president, Defense Forum Foundation; An Hyuk, North Korean prison camp survivor and co-founder, Democracy Network Against the North Korean Gulag; Kim Tae Jin, North Korean prison camp survivor and former North Korean refugee in China; Choi Dong Chul, former North Korean prison guard and refugee in China. Contact: 225-5021, [http://wwwc.house.gov/international\\_relations/](http://wwwc.house.gov/international_relations/)

**OIL-FOR-FOOD PROGRAM**

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4/28 – 2172 Rayburn House Office Building, 10:30am. House International Relations Committee Full committee hearing on "The United Nations Oil-for-Food Program: Issues of Accountability and Transparency." Witnesses:

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Joseph Christoff, director international affairs and trade, GAO; Danielle Pletka, AEI; Claudia Rosett, Foundation for the Defense of Democracies. Contact: 225-5021, [http://wwwc.house.gov/international\\_relations/](http://wwwc.house.gov/international_relations/)

#### **SPYWARE**

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4/29 – 2123 Rayburn House Office Building, 10am. House Energy and Commerce Committee Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection Subcommittee hearing on "Spyware: What You Don't Know Can Hurt You." Contact: 225-2927, <http://energycommerce.house.gov/>

#### **INTERNATIONAL FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION**

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4/29 – 1324 Longworth House Office Building, 10am. House Resources Committee Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans Subcommittee oversight hearing on the international aspects of fish and wildlife conservation and management activities. Witnesses: Secretary of State Colin Powell; Interior Secretary Gale Norton; Vice Adm. Conrad Lautenbacher Jr., undersecretary for oceans and atmosphere, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Contact: 225-2761, <http://resourcescommittee.house.gov/>

#### **HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING**

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4/29 – 2318 Rayburn House Office Building, 10am. House Science Committee Full committee hearing on the "High Performance Computing Revitalization Act of 2004." Contact: 225-6371, <http://www.house.gov/science/>