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MEMORANDUM FOR: PETER J. WALLISON 
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FROM: Dan Engler (for) ANNE HIGGINS 
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SUBJECT: (DRAFT PROCLAMATION) 
The National Floral Emblem of the USA 

Attached for your review is the above mentioned proclamation designating the Rose as the National Floral Emblem of the USA. 

It was submitted by the Office of Management and Budget and edited/revised by this office. 

(IMMEDIATE ATTENTION REQUIRED.) Written response required by no later than 5 p.m., Wednesday, October 15, 1986. For routine clearance, call Amy Miller, extension 7610. For questions or discussion, call Dan Engler, extension 7610. 

Thank you. 

cc: Ron Geisler
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Joint Resolution

To designate the rose as the national floral emblem.

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Whereas the rose is grown today in every State;
Whereas the rose has long represented love, friendship, peace, and the devotion of the American people to their country;
Whereas the rose has been cultivated and grown in gardens for over five thousand years and is referred to in both the Old and New Testaments;
Whereas the rose has for many years been the favorite flower of the American people, has captivated the affection of human kind, and has been revered and renowned in art, music, and literature;
Whereas our first President was also our first rose breeder, one of his varieties being named after his mother and still being grown today; and
Whereas the United States is without a national flower: Now, therefore, be it
Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the flower commonly known as the rose is designated and adopted as the national floral emblem of the United States of America, and the President of the United States is authorized and requested to declare such fact by proclamation.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

President of the Senate, pro Tempore.
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: John H. Carley
General Counsel

SUBJECT: Designation of the Rose as the National Floral Emblem

Pursuant to Senate Joint Resolution 159, the President is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation which would designate the Rose as the National Floral Emblem.

The proposed proclamation was prepared by this office.

The proposed proclamation has the approval of the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

Attachment
The National Floral Emblem of the United States of America
The Rose

By the President of the United States of America
A Proclamation

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Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, I thank my colleague, I move the question.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on the engrossment and third reading of the joint resolution.

The joint resolution was ordered to be engrossed and to be read a third time.

The joint resolution (S.J. Res. 159) was read the third time and passed.

Mr. SYMMS addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. KASSEBAUM). The Senator from Idaho.

Mr. SYMMS addressed the Chair.

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I move to lay this motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

Mr. SIMPSON. I thank my colleagues. I am pleased to dispose of that thorny issue.

IMMIGRATION REFORM AND CONTROL ACT OF 1985

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I believe there is a pending motion of the Senator from Idaho.

Mr. SYMMS addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. KASSEBAUM). The Senator from Idaho.

The Senate resumed consideration of the bill.

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I thank you for your courtesy. I do not believe there is a pending motion of the Senator from Idaho. The remarks of Mr. SYMMS and Mr. SIMPSON at this point relating to amendment No. 619 are printed earlier in the RECORD.

AMENDMENT NO. 624

(Purpose: To require the Federal Government to reimburse State governments for the cost of incarcerating illegal aliens and Marielito Cuban criminals convicted of felonies and now in State prison. This amendment does not add funds to the Federal budget. It simply requires reimbursement of the States for the costs of incarcerating these illegal aliens who entered the United States under false pretenses. The amendment would also provide reimbursement for the costs of incarcerating illegal aliens who entered the United States under false pretenses and now in State prisons.)

Mr. D'AMATO, Madam President, I send an amendment to the desk and ask for its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

First, is there any objection to temporarily putting aside the pending amendment? Hearing none, it is so ordered.

The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from New York [Mr. D'AMATO, for himself, Mr. HATCH, Mrs. HAWKINS, Mr. CLELS, Mr. MOYNIHAN, Mr. WILSON, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. BENNET, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. LAUNDELBERGER, Mr. MURROW, Mr. FEINSTEIN, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. INOUYE, Mr. BOSEN, and Mr. SIMON, propose an amendment offered by Mr. D'AMATO, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mr. SIMPSON.]

Mr. D'AMATO, Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that further reading of the amendment be dispensed with.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment is as follows:

At the appropriate place insert:

Sec. 1. (a) The Attorney General shall reimburse a State for the costs incurred by such State for the imprisonment of any illegal alien or Marielito Cuban who is convicted of a felony by said State.

(b) An illegal alien referred to in subsection (a) is any alien convicted of a felony who is in the United States unlawfully and—

(i) whose most recent entry into the United States was without inspection, or—

(ii) whose most recent admission to the United States was a nonimmigrant but—

(A) whose period of unauthorized stay as a nonimmigrant has expired; or—

(B) whose unlawful status was known to the Government, before the date of the commission of the crime for which the imprisonment was imposed.

(c) A Marielito Cuban convicted of a felony referred to in subsection (a) is a national of Cuba who—

(i) was allowed by the Attorney General to enter the United States in 1980, or—

(ii) after such entry committed any violation of law for which a term of imprisonment was imposed, and—

(iii) at the time of such entry and such violation was not an alien lawfully admitted to the United States—

(a) for permanent residence, or—

(b) under the terms of an immigrant visa or a nonimmigrant visa issued, under the laws of the United States;

(d) There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out the purposes of this section.

(e) This amendment shall become effective on October 1, 1985.

Mr. D'AMATO. Madam President, our amendment is essentially the same amendment that I offered, and that the Senate adopted on May 5 to 40, the last time we considered immigration reform.

Our amendment reimburses the States for the cost of incarcerating the 5,000 or more illegal aliens and Marielito criminals, convicted of felonies and now in State prison. It offers us the opportunity to provide desperately needed assistance to our seriously overcrowded State prisons.

More than that, it recognizes that these alien felons are a Federal, not a State, responsibility. If we had a truly effective immigration policy, these individuals would never have been let into the country in the first place. If the illegal immigration had been checked at detention space, the States could parole such individuals to the INS detention postdeportation. But we have no effective control of our borders, and INS detention centers are filled to bursting.

While I appreciate Senator Simpson's commendable and good faith efforts to address this problem, S. 1200 offers our overcrowded prisons only the possibility of assistance and relief, and postpones the granting of any assistance at all for at least 3 years.

Madam President, the prisons do not need promises and possibilities. They need action, they need help, and they need it now. Today, we learned from the Justice Department that the population of our Nation's overcrowded State prisons increased by nearly 23,000 inmates, or almost 1,000 inmates a week in the first half of this year. The increase for the first half of 1985 was so great that it nearly equals the total for all of 1984.

No one can say that the States are not doing their share to respond to this crisis. Expenditures on State prisons are at an all-time high of $7.2 billion per year. But despite their best efforts, the States are losing ground. Last year, 17,335 convicted criminals were released from State prisons, not because they were rehabilitated or had served their sentences, but simply because of prison overcrowding.

In virtually every State, the illegal alien felon problem, brought about by Federal immigration policies, only makes the States' problems worse. It is time that we accept our responsibility for adding to the States' burden. More than 3,000 illegal aliens, and more than 1,700 Marielito Cuban felons released from Castro's prisons in 1980, have been convicted of felonies and are adding to the overcrowding in our State prisons.

The States did not create this situation. The Federal Government did.

S. 1200 does not adequately deal with this issue.

First, at a time when prison overcrowding is at its worst, S. 1200 would delay even the possibility of help reaching our State prisons for 3 more years;

Second, by including prisons in a social welfare block grant, S. 1200 forces States that lack funds that may or may not be adequate, and creates the serious possibility that our overcrowded prisons will not receive any assistance at all.
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### OTHER INFORMATION:
THE WHITE HOUSE
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For Immediate Release November 20, 1986

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