members of the religious minority are considered "nonpersons" under Iran's constitution, and are therefore afforded no protection in Iranian courts. The Bahá'í real chance of survival lies with the U.S. and other sympathetic members of the international community.

Iran cares about its standing in the international community. Indeed, condemnation of Iran's gross human-rights violations in United Nations resolutions succeeded in pressuring the government to curb some of its most egregious actions. Its persecution of the Bahá'ís is one of its more recent, fewer repetition, and the release last year of 500 members of the religious minority from Iran's prisons. But when the United Nations turned a blind eye to the fact that the Islamic government stepped up its persecution of the Bahá'ís.

Iran was merely biding its time, figuring that the U.S. and other concerned members of the international community had short attention spans; that they would not be vigilant in protesting its persecution of the Bahá'ís. This past May Egypt sentenced 48 Bahá'ís to prison for practicing their religion. But, and other nations hardly discourage other Moslem nations from following suit.

This aspiration seems consonant with the peaceful, humanitarian principles espoused in Bahá'í teaching. That Iran's Moslem clergy are so intolerant of the Bahá'ís (whom they refer to as "misguided infidels"). A Baha'í faith is relatively small, with fewer than four million followers world-wide. Its teachings pose no threat to Iran's religious or government leaders. Its adherents are instructed to obey the laws of the governments under which they live and to avoid partisan political involvement. Its religious dogma is certainly offensive; it seeks peaceful, humanitarian principles espoused in Moslem teachings. That Iran's Moslem dogma is certainly unoffensive; it seeks peaceful, humanitarian principles espoused in Moslem teachings.

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NAUM MEIMAN

Mr. SIMON. Mr. President, Naum Meiman continues to wait for permission to leave the Soviet Union and emigrate to Israel. Naum is a courageous man, who has suffered for too long. And why has he suffered? Merely because he wishes to leave the Soviet Union and make a home in the West.

An old man, Naum sits in his Moscow apartment and lives out his last years hoping that permission to be reunited with his daughter will be granted. Great efforts must be made immediately to bring some happiness to the last years of Naum's life. His health is poor, and time is running out.

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It is tempting to offer the mental defenses who commit such vile acts no more public attention than that which is necessary to catch them and bring them to trial. But I would like to bring to the Senate's attention, aimed at religious and racial minorities is intended to send a message. Society should send a message right back.

This past May Egypt sentenced 48 Baha'is to prison for practicing their religion. But the right of minorities to be protected from acts of racial and religious violence, and the right of all people to be secure in their property, is essential if a free society is to exist.

The thugs who showed their contempt for common sense and decency by breaking the windows of innocent Chicagoans, in the long run, have done society a favor. They reminded everyone of how the horrors of genocide begin. All it takes is for good people to fail to pay attention.

THE ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair, in his capacity as a Senator from Louisiana, suggests the absence of a quorum. The clerk will call the roll.

Mr. BYRD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded. The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDERS FOR TOMORROW

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 8:45 A.M.

Mr. BYRD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it shall adjourn until the hour of 8:45 tomorrow morning.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. BYRD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that after the two leaders or their designees have been recognized under the standing order on tomorrow, there be a period for the transaction of morning business not to extend beyond 9:15 a.m. and that Senators may speak for not to exceed 3 minutes therein.

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

RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS OVER, UNDER THE RULE

Mr. BYRD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that any motions or resolutions over, under the rule, come over on tomorrow.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

WAIVER OF CALL OF CALENDAR

Mr. BYRD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the call of the calendar be waived on tomorrow.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

RESUMPTION OF ENERGY-WATER APPROPRIATIONS BILL

Mr. BYRD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that morning business be closed at 9:15 a.m. tomorrow and that the Senate resume consideration of the energy-water appropriation bill.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Mr. BYRD. Mr. President, I will suggest the absence of a quorum at that time and it will be a live quorum, and it will be a 30-minute roll call vote. I ask unanimous consent that the call

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