

15. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE
SCHAKOWSKY OF ILLINOIS, OR
HER DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES:

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4950, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MS. SCHAKOWSKY OF ILLINOIS**

Page 78, after line 23, insert the following (and
amend the table of contents accordingly):

**1 SEC. 724. ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES FOR EMBASSIES
2 AND CONSULATES.**

3 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of the Con-
4 gress that the Secretary of State should provide such re-
5 sources, personnel, and training at each United States
6 Embassy and consulate as are adequate to carry out the
7 duties and responsibilities of such posts and to meet the
8 needs of those seeking services at such posts. In par-
9 ticular, given Public Notice 4393 (Federal Register, July
10 7, 2003) which restricts the number of waivers that can
11 be granted for interviews of nonimmigrant visas, the Sec-
12 retary of State should provide sufficient resources, par-
13 ticularly in countries that are allies of the United States,
14 to ensure that staff can process visa applications, includ-
15 ing conducting personal interviews, in a manner that is
16 timely, while complying with all the application require-
17 ments, including security concerns.

18 (b) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 180 days
19 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
20 of State shall submit a report concerning the allocation

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1 of resources for embassies and consulates to the appro-
2 priate congressional committees.