

News briefs

Seattle gets \$3.8 million more to pay for WTO protests

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate Appropriations Committee on Tuesday unanimously approved a bill that authorizes \$3.8 million for Seattle and other local agencies to help the city cover the costs of World Trade Organization protests last fall.

The \$84 billion agriculture spending measure directs the State Department to pay the money out of last year's State Department budget.

Sens. Slade Gorton, R-Wash., and Patty Murray, D-Wash., who are both on the appropriations committee, have been pressing for

WTO appropriation, which is expected to be approved by the full Senate later this spring.

Send your cremated loved ones right to the moon

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Call it another giant leap for mankind.

Celestis Inc. is now taking reservations to bury the dearly departed on the moon as early as next year.

A commercial rocket launched from Vandenberg Air Force Base or Cape Canaveral will include a payload of lipstick-size capsules containing cremated remains of about 200 people.

The four-day, 240,000-mile flight to the moon and collision with its surface will run \$12,500 per person.

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one priority, and it's going to stay our number one priority."

The priorities of American-based international corporations become the priorities of their licensees in other countries, opponents of monitoring organizations say.

"We do whatever our customers say," said Luc Helena, spokeswoman for La Gaviota, a factory in Puebla, Mexico, which holds contracts with Nike and other American companies. "If they told us to sing in the shower, we'd do it to meet our quotas."

Helena said La Gaviota has willingly maintained the working

conditions mandated by Nike.

She said La Gaviota employees are at least 18 years old, are offered medical insurance and a safe working environment and are paid \$5.87 per day, which is \$1.27 higher than Puebla's average minimum wage.

Many opponents say that because overseas factories are forced to uphold good labor conditions to attract workers, intervention of a non-profit or government agency is unnecessary.

"It's a slippery slope when American citizens attempt to impose on other countries values that those countries don't feel are appropriate," said Raymond King, associate dean of the business school.

King didn't entirely write off

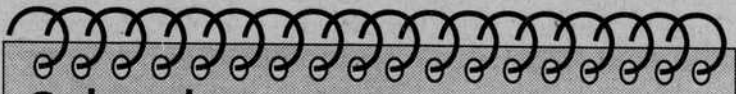
monitoring groups, though.

"I certainly leave open the possibility that there are behaviors in certain places at certain times that I wouldn't agree with," he said.

He said some standards, such as child labor, should be enforced by the international community while other standards, such as wage rates, shouldn't be imposed.

University finance professor Larry Dann said he doesn't oppose monitoring organizations but has apprehensions about the WRC's exclusion of business representatives.

"There is concern about organizations grandstanding and looking for violations," he said. "It should be done with some type of balance that involves all participants."



Calendar

Wednesday, May 10

The EMU Board Meeting will be held at 4:30 p.m. in the EMU Board Room.

Safeline. A day of sexual assault awareness will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the EMU Amphitheater.

Center for the Study of Women in Society Lecture: Gale Pearce, psychology graduate student, discusses "Unrealistic Optimism and Sexual Assault: Women's Perceptions of Risk and Use of Self-Protective Behaviors." Noon-1 p.m. Room 330, Hendricks Hall. Free. For information, browse <http://csws.uoregon.edu/> or call 346-5015.

Ruhl Lecture: Sandra Mims Rowe, editor of The Oregonian, delivers the annual address on "Ethics in the Age of Media Convergence." 4 p.m. Browsing Room, Knight Library.

Free. For information, call 346-3738.

University Senate meeting. 3 p.m. Room 177, Lawrence Hall. For information, browse <http://darkwing.uoregon.edu/~uosenate/senate.html> or call Gwen Steigelman, 346-3028.

Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month Workshop: Toetutu Faaleava, University of California, Berkeley, discusses the history of whaling in the Pacific from the 1790s to 1870s and its impact on Pacific Islanders and their cultures. 5-6:30 p.m. ASUO Multicultural Center, Room 33, EMU. Free. For information, browse <http://gladstone.uoregon.edu/~apasu/> or call (541) 346-4342.

Darcy Davis will speak at an event entitled "Global Warming—Global Reality" at 3:30 p.m. in Gilbert 330.

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