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H. CON. RES. 251

To express the sense of the Congress that the President should report to the Congress on the situation in Kosova and on his recommendations on ways to enhance international protection of the rights of the people of Kosova.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 23, 1994

Mr. GILMAN (for himself, Mr. ACKERMAN, and Mr. SHAYS) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sense of the Congress that the President should report to the Congress on the situation in Kosova and on his recommendations on ways to enhance international protection of the rights of the people of Kosova.

Whereas the Constitution of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia adopted in 1946 and the amended Yugoslav constitution adopted in 1974 described the status of Kosova as one of the eight constituent territorial units of the Yugoslav Federation;

Whereas the Government of Yugoslavia unlawfully abolished the autonomous status of Kosova through the adoption of a constitutional amendment without the consent of the people of Kosova on March 23, 1989;

Whereas in 1990 the Parliament and Government of Kosova were abolished by further unlawful amendments to the Constitution of Yugoslavia and over 100,000 ethnic Albanians in government, the police, enterprises, media, educational institutions, and hospitals were removed from their jobs and replaced by Serbs;

Whereas Serbian police have arrested hundreds of Kosovar Albanians for allegedly engaging in nationalist activities, often beating them brutally, and occasionally fatally;

Whereas the people of Kosova have reacted to the unlawful violation of their rights and Serbian repression by establishing peacefully a parallel set of political and social institutions in Kosova, approving in 1990 a constitution, and electing Ibrahim Rugova as President;

Whereas the Government of Serbia, in July 1993, ceased cooperation with the missions of human rights monitors sent to Kosova by the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe and by the European Community; and

Whereas the Government of Serbia has ignored United Nations Security Council Resolution 855, of August 1993, which calls upon the government to allow the continuation of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe mission and to guarantee the safety of and unimpeded access for Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe monitors: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
- 2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of the Congress that the
- 3 President should report to the Congress within 60 days
- 4 on—

1 (1) the situation in Kosova, including the man-
2 ner in which Serbia's policies have affected the eco-
3 nomic, social, and cultural rights of the majority in
4 Kosova;

5 (2) measures to provide humanitarian assist-
6 ance to the population of Kosova and to Kosovar
7 refugees who have fled Kosova; and

8 (3) his recommendations (taking into account
9 the views of other United Nations Security Council
10 members and the European Union) on what modali-
11 ties may be pursued, including the possibility of es-
12 tablishing an international protectorate for Kosova
13 together with other members of the United Nations
14 Security Council and the European Union, to imple-
15 ment international protection of the rights of the
16 people of Kosova, reestablish an international pres-
17 ence in Kosova to monitor more effectively the situa-
18 tion there, and secure for the people of Kosova their
19 right to democratic self-government.

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