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Providing limited authorization for the participation of United States Armed Forces in the multinational force in Haiti and providing for the prompt withdrawal of United States Armed Forces from Haiti.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 28, 1994

Mr. TORRICELLI (for himself and Mr. HAMILTON) introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred jointly to the Committees on Foreign Affairs and Rules

JOINT RESOLUTION

Providing limited authorization for the participation of United States Armed Forces in the multinational force in Haiti and providing for the prompt withdrawal of United States Armed Forces from Haiti.

1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*

2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This joint resolution may be cited as the “Limited

5 Authorization for the United States-led Force in Haiti

6 Resolution”.

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND STATEMENT OF POLICY.**

2 (a) FINDINGS.—The Congress finds the following:

3 (1) On September 18, 1994, the special delega-
4 tion to Haiti succeeded in convincing the de facto
5 authorities in Haiti to sign the Port-au-Prince
6 Agreement under which such authorities agreed to
7 leave power.

8 (2) On September 18, 1994, after the Port-au-
9 Prince Agreement was reached, the President or-
10 dered the deployment of United States Armed
11 Forces in and around Haiti.

12 (3) On September 21, 1994, the President sub-
13 mitted a report, consistent with the War Powers
14 Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1541 et seq.), on the intro-
15 duction of United States Armed Forces into Haiti.

16 (4) The Congress fully supports the men and
17 women of the United States Armed Forces who are
18 carrying out their mission in Haiti with professional
19 excellence and dedicated patriotism.

20 (b) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—The Congress declares
21 the following:

22 (1) The United States-led force in Haiti should
23 use all necessary means to protect United States
24 citizens, to stabilize the security situation in Haiti so
25 that orderly progress may be made in transferring
26 the functions of government in that country to the

1 democratically-elected government of Haiti, and to
2 facilitate the provision of humanitarian assistance to
3 the people of Haiti.

4 (2) Transfer of operations in Haiti from the
5 United States-led force in Haiti to the United Na-
6 tions-led force in Haiti should be facilitated and ex-
7 pedited to the fullest extent possible.

8 (3) United States Armed Forces should be
9 withdrawn from Haiti as soon as possible.

10 **SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF UNITED STATES**

11 **ARMED FORCES.**

12 (a) AUTHORIZATION.—Subject to subsection (b),
13 United States Armed Forces are authorized to participate
14 in the United States-led force in Haiti only—

15 (1) to protect United States citizens;

16 (2) to stabilize the security situation in Haiti so
17 that orderly progress may be made in transferring
18 the functions of government in that country to the
19 democratically-elected government of Haiti; and

20 (3) to facilitate the provision of humanitarian
21 assistance to the people of Haiti.

22 (b) LIMITATIONS.—

23 (1) TERMINATION OF AUTHORIZATION.—The
24 authorization provided by subsection (a) shall expire
25 on March 1, 1995.

1 (2) PROHIBITION ON FOREIGN COMMAND.—
2 United States Armed Forces described in subsection
3 (a) shall remain under the command and control of
4 officers of the United States Armed Forces at all
5 times.

6 **SEC. 4. REPORTS TO CONGRESS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—The President shall submit to the
8 Congress reports on—

9 (1) the participation of United States Armed
10 Forces in the United States-led force in Haiti and
11 the United Nations-led force in Haiti, including—

12 (A) the number of members of the United
13 States Armed Forces that are participating in
14 such United States-led force and such United
15 Nations-led force;

16 (B) the functions of such Armed Forces;
17 and

18 (C) the costs of deployment of such Armed
19 Forces; and

20 (2) the efforts to withdraw United States
21 Armed Forces from Haiti, including—

22 (A) for the purpose of achieving a transi-
23 tion from the United States-led force in Haiti
24 to the United Nations-led force in Haiti, the
25 status of efforts to implement the Port-au-

1 Prince Agreement and to otherwise carry out
2 the terms of United Nations Security Council
3 Resolutions 917 (May 6, 1994) and 940 (July
4 31, 1994);

5 (B) the status of plans to accomplish such
6 transition to the United Nations-led force in
7 Haiti; and

8 (C) the status of plans to withdraw United
9 States Armed Forces from Haiti.

10 (b) REPORTING DATES.—A report under this section
11 shall be submitted—

12 (1) not later than November 30, 1994, covering
13 the period since September 18, 1994;

14 (2) not later than December 31, 1994, covering
15 the period since the report described in paragraph
16 (1); and

17 (3) not later than February 1, 1995, covering
18 the period since the report described in paragraph
19 (2).

20 (c) WAR POWERS RESOLUTION REPORTING RE-
21 QUIREMENTS.—The requirements of this section do not
22 supersede the requirements of the War Powers Resolution
23 (50 U.S.C. 1541 et seq.).

1 **SEC. 5. REASSEMBLY OF CONGRESS.**

2 It is the sense of the Congress that the speaker of
3 the House of Representatives and the majority leader of
4 the Senate, acting jointly after consultation with the mi-
5 nority leader of the House of Representatives and the mi-
6 nority leader of the Senate, respectively, should monitor
7 closely events in Haiti in considering whether to exercise
8 any authority that may be granted to reassemble the Con-
9 gress after the adjournment of the Congress sine die, if
10 the public interest shall warrant it.

11 **SEC. 6. JOINT RESOLUTION PROHIBITING CONTINUED USE**
12 **OF UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES IN HAITI.**

13 (a) IN GENERAL.—If a joint resolution described in
14 subsection (b) is enacted, the President shall remove
15 United States Armed Forces from Haiti in accordance
16 with such joint resolution.

17 (b) DESCRIPTION OF JOINT RESOLUTION.—For pur-
18 poses of subsection (a), a joint resolution described in this
19 subsection is a joint resolution the matter after the resolv-
20 ing clause of which is as follows: “Pursuant to section 6
21 of the Limited Authorization for the United States-led
22 Force in Haiti Resolution, the Congress hereby directs the
23 President to remove United States Armed Forces from
24 Haiti not later than 30 days after the date of the enact-
25 ment of this joint resolution, except for a limited number
26 of members of the United States Armed Forces sufficient

1 to protect United States diplomatic facilities and person-
2 nel.”.

3 (c) PRIORITY PROCEDURES.—

4 (1) INTRODUCTION OF JOINT RESOLUTION.—

5 Paragraph (2) shall only apply to a joint resolution
6 described in subsection (b) and introduced on or
7 after the date on which the President submits, or is
8 required to submit, the report required by section
9 4(b)(3).

10 (2) CONSIDERATION OF JOINT RESOLUTION.—

11 Only one joint resolution described in subsection (b)
12 and introduced in accordance with paragraph (1)
13 shall be considered in accordance with the proce-
14 dures described in section 7 of the War Powers Res-
15 olution (50 U.S.C. 1546), except that, for purposes
16 of such consideration, the term “calendar days” in
17 such section shall be deemed to mean “legislative
18 days”.

19 **SEC. 7. DEFINITIONS.**

20 For purposes of this joint resolution, the following
21 definitions apply:

22 (1) LEGISLATIVE DAYS.—The term “legislative
23 days” means days in which the House of Represent-
24 atives is in session.

1 (2) PORT-AU-PRINCE AGREEMENT.—The term
2 “Port-au-Prince Agreement” means the agreement
3 reached between the United States special delegation
4 and the de facto authorities in Haiti on September
5 18, 1994.

6 (3) UNITED NATIONS-LED FORCE IN HAITI.—
7 The term “United Nations-led force in Haiti” means
8 the United Nations Mission in Haiti (commonly re-
9 ferred to as “UNMIH”) authorized by United Na-
10 tions Security Council Resolutions 867 (September
11 23, 1993), 905 (March 23, 1994), 933 (June 30,
12 1994), and 940 (July 31, 1994).

13 (4) UNITED STATES-LED FORCE IN HAITI.—
14 The term “United States-led force in Haiti” means
15 the multinational force (commonly referred to as
16 “MNF”) authorized by United Nations Security
17 Council Resolution 940 (July 31, 1994).

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