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H. RES. 540

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives with respect to the situation in Haiti.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 22, 1994

Mr. HASTINGS (for himself, Ms. WATERS, Ms. MCKINNEY, Mr. JOHNSTON of Florida, Mr. PAYNE of New Jersey, and Mrs. CLAYTON) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

RESOLUTION

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Whereas the Government of the United States for 3 years has sought through diplomatic means the return of the democratically elected President of Haiti to his rightful place as President of Haiti;

Whereas representatives of the United States Government were successful in reaching a peaceful agreement with the de facto leaders of Haiti;

Whereas these de facto leaders of Haiti signed an agreement which set the date of October 15th for the return of Haitian President Jean Bertrand Aristide;

Whereas this agreement stipulates that certain military officers of the Haitian Armed Forces will retire in accordance with United Nations Resolutions 917 and 940;

Whereas these military officers have agreed to retire when an amnesty, similar to that proposed in the Governor's Island Accord, is voted into law by the Haitian Parliament, or by October 15, 1994 or whichever comes first; and

Whereas the signatories of this agreement have agreed that legislative elections will be held in a free and democratic manner: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) supports the return of President Aristide to
3 his democratically elected position as President of
4 Haiti;

5 (2) urges the Haitian military to ensure a
6 peaceful transition;

7 (3) calls for the earliest possible retirement of
8 certain Haitian military leaders; and

9 (4) calls upon the President of the United
10 States to return to the United States at the earliest
11 practicable date all United States Armed Forces (ex-
12 cept those forces participating in long-term peace-
13 keeping activities with the United Nations).

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