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# H. CON. RES. 219

Expressing the sense of Congress regarding United States policy toward  
Taiwan's membership in international organizations.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SCHAFFER (for himself, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. WYNN, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. CRANE, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. WEXLER, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. SOUDER, Mr. HILLIARD, Mr. HEFLEY, and Mr. UNDERWOOD) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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policy toward Taiwan's membership in international or-  
ganizations.

Whereas Taiwan has dramatically improved its record on  
human rights and routinely holds free and fair elections  
in a multiparty system, as evidenced most recently by  
Taiwan's second democratic presidential election of  
March 18, 2000, in which Mr. Chen Shui-bian was elect-  
ed as President;

Whereas the 23,000,000 people on Taiwan are not rep-  
resented in the United Nations and their human rights  
as citizens of the world are therefore severely abridged;

Whereas Taiwan has in recent years repeatedly expressed its strong desire to join the United Nations and other international organizations;

Whereas the world community has reacted positively to Taiwan's desire for international participation, as shown by Taiwan's membership in the Asian Development Bank, Taiwan's admission to the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation group as a full member, and Taiwan's anticipated membership in the World Trade Organization;

Whereas Taiwan, as evidenced in the preceding provisions of the preamble, possesses ample resources and creativity to contribute to the work and funding of the United Nations and its affiliate organizations such as the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund, and would benefit from membership in these organizations; and

Whereas Public Law 106–137 required the Secretary of State to submit a report to the Congress on the efforts of the State Department to support Taiwan's participation in international organizations: Now, therefore, be it

1        *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*  
2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of the Congress that—

3            (1) Taiwan and its 23,000,000 people deserve  
4            full and equal membership in the United Nations  
5            and other international organizations; and

6            (2) the United States should take a leading role  
7            in gaining international support for Taiwan's par-  
8            ticipation in these organizations.

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