

107TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 2718

To take the 50 Peacekeeper (MX) missiles off of high-alert status, and
for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 2, 2001

Mr. MARKEY (for himself and Mrs. TAUSCHER) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

A BILL

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status, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “MX Missile Stand-
5 Down Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. REMOVAL OF WARHEADS FROM PEACEKEEPER MIS-**
7 **SILES.**

8 During fiscal year 2002, the Secretary of Defense
9 shall remove the warheads from the 50 Peacekeeper (MX)
10 intercontinental ballistic missiles.

1 **SEC. 3. ADDITIONAL MEASURES TO LOWER ALERT STATUS**
2 **OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS.**

3 Congress urges the Secretary of Defense to take such
4 measures to lengthen the time for launch of United States
5 nuclear weapons, in addition to the measures required by
6 section 2, as can be accomplished consistent with national
7 security.

8 **SEC. 4. REPORTS ON IMPLEMENTATION.**

9 The Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress
10 a preliminary report by April 15, 2002, and a final report
11 by November 1, 2002, on the implementation of section
12 2. The reports shall be submitted in an unclassified form,
13 but may include a classified annex.

14 **SEC. 5. ANNUAL REPORT ON RUSSIAN SYSTEMS.**

15 Not later than April 15 each year, the Secretary of
16 Defense shall submit to Congress a report describing—

17 (1) the inventory of Russian nuclear forces and
18 the alert status of those forces; and

19 (2) the condition of Russian early-warning sys-
20 tems.

21 Each such report shall be submitted in an unclassified
22 form, but may include a classified annex.

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