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H. RES. 55

Urging the President to call on the President of Syria to permit the extradition of fugitive Nazi war criminal Alois Brunner.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. McNULTY submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

RESOLUTION

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Whereas Austrian-born Alois Brunner, who joined the Nazi party at the age of 19, was the deputy and personal secretary to Adolf Eichmann, who was personally responsible for sending to their deaths more than 120,000 Jews from Austria, Germany, France, Slovakia, and Greece;

Whereas, in 1938, after Kristallnacht, Brunner joined the Nazi Secret Police and subsequently requested a transfer to the Central Office for Jewish Emigration in Vienna, where he began his career in genocide as Eichmann's personal secretary;

Whereas Brunner, often characterized as the personification of Nazi sadism in all its horror, executed Eichmann's plan for the Final Solution;

Whereas Brunner was particularly brutal toward French Jews, sending to their deaths more than 200 children from Jewish-operated orphanages, including 34 children from Louviciennes;

Whereas, in 1954, Brunner was sentenced to death in absentia by French courts in Paris and Marseilles for crimes against humanity;

Whereas, since 1955, Brunner has lived in Damascus, Syria, under the protection of the Syrian government and Syrian bodyguards and has assumed the name of Dr. Georg Fischer;

Whereas it is well known that Brunner lives in an apartment at 7 Rue Haddad in Damascus;

Whereas the Syrian government has frequently denied that Brunner lives in Syria; and

Whereas attempts by Austria and Germany to secure Brunner's extradition from Syria have been unsuccessful:
Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives urges
- 2 the President to call on the President of Syria to permit
- 3 the extradition of the fugitive Nazi war criminal Alois
- 4 Brunner for trial in Germany.

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