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H. CON. RES. 88

Regarding recognition of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 27, 1995

Mr. SCARBOROUGH introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on International Relations

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Regarding recognition of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

Whereas the Socialist Republic of Vietnam has failed to give a full accounting of the United States personnel who remain not accounted for as a result of service in the Armed Forces or other Federal Government service during the Vietnam era and has failed to adequately work with the United States in determining their whereabouts and condition;

Whereas the Hanoi government continues to remain a brutal totalitarian communist regime dedicated to oppressing its people and routinely giving to flaunting all standards of international law and morality;

Whereas the people of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam are entitled to live in a free and open society and deserve the

backing of the American people and Government in their quest for liberty;

Whereas there live in the United States today several thousand refugees of the Hanoi regime who fled to these shores to build a better life for themselves and their families until such time as they would be free to return to their homes in a land both free and prosperous;

Whereas the United States must continue to stand for just and open regimes in all parts of the world, especially in those parts where it has been actively engaged; and

Whereas the United States must remain true to the memory of the men and women who served in the Vietnam conflict and must therefore refuse to recognize the Hanoi government which was responsible for the death of over 50,000 Americans: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
 2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of the Congress that the
 3 recent decision of President Clinton to recognize the Gov-
 4 ernment of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam was in viola-
 5 tion of the principles of the United States, and that he
 6 should revoke such recognition until such time as the
 7 Hanoi regime fully cooperates in determining the status
 8 of all personnel who remain not accounted for as a result
 9 of service in the Armed Forces or other Federal Govern-
 10 ment service during the Vietnam era and adopts a free
 11 and democratic government that respects human rights
 12 and observes internationally recognized norms of behavior.

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