

## **H. Res. 416**

### ***In the House of Representatives, U.S.,***

*May 8, 1996.*

1       *Resolved*, That (a) there is established a Select Sub-  
2 committee on the United States Role in Iranian Arms  
3 Transfers to Croatia and Bosnia (hereinafter referred to  
4 as the “select subcommittee”) of the Committee on Inter-  
5 national Relations. The select subcommittee is authorized  
6 to sit and act during this Congress at such times and  
7 places within the United States, including any common-  
8 wealth or possession thereof, or in any other country,  
9 whether the House is in session or has adjourned.

10       (b) The select subcommittee shall be composed of 8  
11 members of the Committee on International Relations ap-  
12 pointed by the chairman of the Committee on Inter-  
13 national Relations, 5 of whom shall be members of the  
14 majority party and 3 of whom shall be appointed upon  
15 the recommendation of the ranking minority party mem-  
16 ber of that committee. The chairman of the Committee  
17 on International Relations shall designate one of the ma-  
18 jority party members as chairman. Any vacancy occurring

1 in the membership of the select subcommittee shall be  
2 filled in the same manner in which the original appoint-  
3 ment was made.

4 (c) The select subcommittee is authorized and di-  
5 rected to conduct a full and complete investigation, and  
6 to make such findings and recommendations to the Com-  
7 mittee on International Relations as the select subcommit-  
8 tee deems appropriate relating to the following matters:

9 (1) The policy of the United States Government  
10 with respect to the transfer of arms and other as-  
11 sistance from Iran or any other country to countries  
12 or entities within the territory of the former Federal  
13 Republic of Yugoslavia during any period that an  
14 international arms embargo of the former Yugo-  
15 slavia was in effect.

16 (2) The nature and extent of the transfer of  
17 arms or other assistance from Iran or any other  
18 country to countries or entities within the territory  
19 of the former Federal Republic of Yugoslavia during  
20 the period that an international arms embargo of  
21 the former Yugoslavia was in effect.

22 (3) Any actions taken by the United States  
23 Government to facilitate or to impede transfers de-  
24 scribed in paragraphs (1) and (2).

1           (4) Any communications or representations  
2           made to the Congress of the United States or the  
3           American people with respect to the matters de-  
4           scribed in paragraph (1), (2), or (3), with respect to  
5           the international arms embargo of the former Yugo-  
6           slavia, or with respect to efforts to modify or termi-  
7           nate United States participation in that embargo.

8           (5) Any implication of the matters described in  
9           paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) for the safety of United  
10          States Armed Forces deployed in and around  
11          Bosnia, for the prompt withdrawal of United States  
12          Armed Forces from Bosnia, for relations between  
13          the United States and its allies, and for United  
14          States efforts to isolate Iran.

15          (6) Any actions taken to review, analyze, or in-  
16          vestigate any of the matters described in paragraph  
17          (1), (2), (3), (4), or (5), or to keep such matters  
18          from being revealed.

19          (7) All deliberations, discussions, or commu-  
20          nications within the United States Government re-  
21          lating to the matters described in paragraph (1),  
22          (2), (3), (4), (5), or (6), and all communications be-  
23          tween the United States Government (or any of its  
24          officers or employees) and other governments, orga-  
25          nizations, or individuals relating to such matters.

1 (d) The select subcommittee shall be deemed to be  
2 a subcommittee of a standing committee of the House of  
3 Representatives for all purposes of law and for all pur-  
4 poses of the Rules of the House, including clause 2(m)  
5 of rule XI, but not for purposes of clause 6(d) of rule X.  
6 The select subcommittee may sit while the House is read-  
7 ing a measure for amendment under the five-minute rule.

8 (e)(1) The chairman of the select subcommittee, for  
9 purposes of its investigation, may, upon consultation with  
10 the ranking minority party member of the select sub-  
11 committee, authorize the taking of affidavits and deposi-  
12 tions pursuant to notice or subpoena, by a member of the  
13 select subcommittee or of the staff of the Committee on  
14 International Relations designated by the chairman of the  
15 select subcommittee, or require the furnishing of informa-  
16 tion by interrogatory, under oath administered by a person  
17 otherwise authorized by law to administer oaths.

18 (2) The select subcommittee shall provide other com-  
19 mittees and Members of the House with access to informa-  
20 tion and proceedings, under procedures adopted by the se-  
21 lect subcommittee consistent with clause 7(c) of rule  
22 XLVIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives.  
23 However, the select subcommittee may direct that particu-  
24 lar matters or classes of matter shall not be made available  
25 to any person by its members, staff, or others, or may

1 impose any other restriction. The select subcommittee  
2 shall, as appropriate, provide access to information and  
3 proceedings to the Speaker, the majority leader, the mi-  
4 nority leader, and their appropriately cleared and des-  
5 ignated staff.

6 (3) Authorized subpoenas may be signed by the chair-  
7 man of the select subcommittee.

8 (f) The select subcommittee shall transmit a report  
9 to the Committee on International Relations not later than  
10 6 months after the date on which this resolution is agreed  
11 to. The report shall contain a detailed statement of the  
12 findings of the select subcommittee, together with its rec-  
13 ommendations.

14 (g) The select subcommittee shall cease to exist 6  
15 months after the date on which this resolution is agreed  
16 to.

Attest:

*Clerk.*