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Establishing a select subcommittee of the Committee on International Relations to investigate the United States Role in Iranian arms transfers to Croatia and Bosnia.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GILMAN submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules

RESOLUTION

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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.

1 (b) The select subcommittee shall be composed of 8
2 members of the Committee on International Relations ap-
3 pointed by the chairman of the Committee on Inter-
4 national Relations, 5 of whom shall be members of the
5 majority party and 3 of whom shall be appointed upon
6 the recommendation of the ranking minority party mem-
7 ber of that committee. The chairman of the Committee
8 on International Relations shall designate one of the ma-
9 jority party members as chairman. Any vacancy occurring
10 in the membership of the select subcommittee shall be
11 filled in the same manner in which the original appoint-
12 ment was made.

13 (c) The select subcommittee is authorized and di-
14 rected to conduct a full and complete investigation, and
15 to make such findings and recommendations to the Com-
16 mittee on International Relations as the select subcommit-
17 tee deems appropriate relating to the following matters:

18 (1) The policy of the United States Government
19 with respect to the transfer of arms and other as-
20 sistance from Iran or any other country to countries
21 or entities within the territory of the former Federal
22 Republic of Yugoslavia during any period that an
23 international arms embargo of the former Yugo-
24 slavia was in effect.

1 (2) The nature and extent of the transfer of
2 arms or other assistance from Iran or any other
3 country to countries or entities within the territory
4 of the former Federal Republic of Yugoslavia during
5 the period that an international arms embargo of
6 the former Yugoslavia was in effect.

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

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

17 (5) Any implication of the matters described in
18 paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) for the safety of United
19 States Armed Forces deployed in and around
20 Bosnia, for the prompt withdrawal of United States
21 Armed Forces from Bosnia, for relations between
22 the United States and its allies, and for United
23 States efforts to isolate Iran.

24 (6) Any actions taken to review, analyze, or in-
25 vestigate any of the matters described in paragraph

1 (1), (2), (3), (4), or (5), or to keep such matters
2 from being revealed.

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

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

17 (e)(1) The chairman of the select subcommittee, for
18 purposes of its investigation, may, upon consultation with
19 the ranking minority party member of the select sub-
20 committee, authorize the taking of affidavits and deposi-
21 tions pursuant to notice or subpoena, by a member of the
22 select subcommittee or of the staff of the Committee on
23 International Relations designated by the chairman of the
24 select subcommittee, or require the furnishing of informa-

1 tion by interrogatory, under oath administered by a person
2 otherwise authorized by law to administer oaths.

3 (2) The select subcommittee shall provide other com-
4 mittees and Members of the House with access to informa-
5 tion and proceedings, under procedures adopted by the se-
6 lect subcommittee consistent with clause 7(c) of rule
7 XLVIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives.
8 However, the select subcommittee may direct that particu-
9 lar matters or classes of matter shall not be made available
10 to any person by its members, staff, or others, or may
11 impose any other restriction. The select subcommittee
12 shall, as appropriate, provide access to information and
13 proceedings to the Speaker, the majority leader, the mi-
14 nority leader, and their appropriately cleared and des-
15 ignated staff.

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

18 (f) The select subcommittee shall transmit a report
19 to the Committee on International Relations not later than
20 6 months after the date on which this resolution is agreed
21 to. The report shall contain a detailed statement of the
22 findings of the select subcommittee, together with its rec-
23 ommendations.

1 (g) The select subcommittee shall cease to exist 6
2 months after the date on which this resolution is agreed
3 to.

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