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Condemning terror attacks in Saudi Arabia.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. HELMS (for himself, Mr. PELL, Mr. LOTT, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. BROWN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. REID, Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN, Mr. BRYAN, Mr. COATS, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. MOYNIHAN, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. GRAMM, and Mr. COVERDELL) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Condemning terror attacks in Saudi Arabia.

Whereas on June 25, 1996, a massive truck bomb exploded at the King Abdul Aziz Air Base near Dhahran, in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia;

Whereas this horrific attack killed at least nineteen Americans and injured at least three hundred more;

Whereas the bombing also resulted in 147 Saudi casualties;

Whereas the apparent target of the attack was an apartment building housing United States service personnel;

Whereas on November 13, 1995, a terror attack in Saudi Arabia, also directed against United States personnel, killed five Americans, and two others;

Whereas individuals with ties to Islamic extremist organizations were tried, found guilty, and executed for having participated in the November 13 attack;

Whereas United States Armed Forces personnel are deployed in Saudi Arabia to protect the peace and freedom secured in Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm;

Whereas the relationship between the United States and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia has been built with bipartisan support and has served the interest of both countries over the last five decades; and

Whereas this terrorist outrage underscores the need for a strong and ready military able to defend American interests: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) condemns in the strongest terms the attacks
3 of June 25, 1996, and November 13, 1995 in Saudi
4 Arabia;

5 (2) extends condolences and sympathy to the
6 families of all those United States service personnel
7 killed and wounded, and to the Government and peo-
8 ple of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia;

9 (3) honors the United States military personnel
10 killed and wounded for their sacrifice in service to
11 the Nation;

12 (4) expresses its gratitude to the Government
13 and the people of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for
14 their heroic rescue efforts at the scene of the attack

1 and their determination to find and punish those re-
2 sponsible for this outrage;

3 (5) reaffirms its steadfast support for the Gov-
4 ernment of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and for
5 continuing good relations between the United States
6 and Saudi Arabia;

7 (6) determines that such terror attacks present
8 a clear threat to United States interests in the Per-
9 sian Gulf;

10 (7) calls upon the United States Government to
11 continue to assist the Government of Saudi Arabia
12 in its efforts to identify those responsible for this
13 contemptible attack;

14 (8) urges the United States Government to use
15 all reasonable means available to the Government of
16 the United States to punish the parties responsible
17 for this cowardly bombing; and

18 (9) reaffirms its commitment to provide all nec-
19 essary support for the men and women of our
20 Armed Forces who volunteer to stand in harm's way.

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