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Referred to the Committee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Commending the President and the Armed Forces for the success of Operation Allied Force.

Whereas United States and North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) military forces succeeded in forcing the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia to accept NATO's conditions to halt the air campaign;

Whereas this accomplishment has been achieved at a minimal loss of life and number of casualties among American and NATO forces;

Whereas to date two Americans have been killed in the line of duty; and

Whereas hundreds of thousands of Kosovar civilians have been ethnically cleansed, deported, detained, or killed by Serb security forces: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives*
2 *concurring), That:*

3 (1) The Congress expresses the appreciation of
4 the Nation to:

5 (A) The United States Armed Forces who
6 participated in Operation Allied Force and
7 served and succeeded in the highest traditions
8 of the Armed Forces of the United States.

9 (B) The families of American service men
10 and women participating in Operation Allied
11 Force, who have bravely borne the burden of
12 separation from their loved ones, and staunchly
13 supported them during the conflict.

14 (C) President Clinton, Commander in
15 Chief of United States Armed Forces, for his
16 leadership during Operation Allied Force.

17 (D) Secretary of Defense William Cohen,
18 Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff General
19 Henry Shelton and Supreme Allied Com-
20 mander-Europe General Wesley Clark, for their
21 planning and implementation of Operation Al-
22 lied Force.

23 (E) Secretary Albright and other Adminis-
24 tration officials engaged in diplomatic efforts to
25 resolve the Kosovo conflict.

1 (F) All of the forces from our NATO al-
2 lies, who served with distinction and success.

3 (G) The front line states, Albania, Mac-
4 edonia, Bulgaria and Romania, who experience
5 firsthand the instability produced by the Fed-
6 eral Republic of Yugoslavia's policy of ethnic
7 cleansing.

8 (2) The Congress notes with deep sadness the
9 loss of life on all sides in Operation Allied Force.

10 (3) The Congress demands from Slobodan
11 Milosevic:

12 (A) The withdrawal of all Yugoslav and
13 Serb forces from Kosovo according to relevant
14 provisions of the Military-Technical Agreement
15 between NATO and the Federal Republic of
16 Yugoslavia.

17 (B) A permanent end to the hostilities in
18 Kosovo by Yugoslav and Serb forces.

19 (C) The unconditional return to their
20 homes of all Kosovar citizens displaced by Serb
21 aggression.

22 (D) Unimpeded access for humanitarian
23 relief operations in Kosovo.

24 (4) The Congress urges the leadership of the
25 Kosovo Liberation Army (KLA) to ensure KLA

1 compliance with the ceasefire and demilitarization
2 obligations.

3 (5) The Congress urges and expects all nations
4 to cooperate fully with the International Criminal
5 Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia and to assist in
6 bringing indicted war criminals, including Slobodan
7 Milosevic and other Serb military and political lead-
8 ers, to justice.

Passed the Senate June 17, 1999.

Attest: GARY SISCO,

Secretary.