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S. RES. 105

Expressing the sense of the Senate relating to consideration of Slobodan Milosevic as a war criminal.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 24, 1999

Mr. DORGAN (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. SPECTER) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

RESOLUTION

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Whereas the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia (in this resolution referred to as the “International Criminal Tribunal”) has not sought indictment of Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic for war crimes committed by Yugoslav and Serbian military and paramilitary forces in Bosnia;

Whereas Serbian military and paramilitary forces have undertaken a massive ethnic cleansing campaign that has displaced more than one million Kosovar Albanians;

Whereas Serbian military and paramilitary forces have conducted a systematic effort to strip Kosovar Albanians of their identity by confiscating passports, birth certificates,

employment records, driver's licenses, and other documents of identification;

Whereas the International Criminal Tribunal has collected evidence of summary executions, mass detentions, torture, rape, beatings, and other war crimes;

Whereas in 1992, the then-Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger identified Slobodan Milosevic as a war criminal;

Whereas the statute governing the International Criminal Tribunal requires that the office of the prosecutor need only determine that a prima facie case exists in order to seek indictment;

Whereas the House of Representatives and the Senate have previously passed resolutions condemning Serbian police actions in Kosovo and calling for Yugoslav leader Slobodan Milosevic to be indicted for war crimes; and

Whereas the Administration has made no public attempt to urge the International Criminal Tribunal to seek an indictment against Slobodan Milosevic, despite the necessity of NATO air strikes to respond to his campaign of genocide: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved,*

2 **SECTION 1. SENSE OF SENATE.**

3 It is the sense of the Senate that the President
4 should—

5 (1) publicly declare, as a matter of United
6 States policy, that the United States considers
7 Slobodan Milosevic to be a war criminal; and

1 (2) urge the chief prosecutor of the Inter-
2 national Criminal Tribunal to seek immediately an
3 indictment of Slobodan Milosevic for war crimes and
4 to prosecute him to the fullest extent of inter-
5 national law.

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