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Disapproving the granting of amnesty by the Government of Iraq to persons known to have attacked, kidnapped, wounded, or killed members of the Armed Forces of the United States or citizens of the United States in Iraq.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. LARSON of Connecticut (for himself, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. HOYER, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. MURTHA, Mr. SKELTON, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. TANNER, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. STUPAK, Ms. MCCOLLUM of Minnesota, Mr. ETHERIDGE, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. PASCARELL, Mr. KILDEE, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. HOLT, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. MATSUI, Mrs. MCCARTHY, Mr. DICKS, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. BERRY, Mr. CARDOZA, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. REYES, Mrs. MALONEY, Ms. SOLIS, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. STRICKLAND, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. OLVER, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. TOWNS, Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. WEINER, Mr. NADLER, Mr. MILLER of North Carolina, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. CARDIN) introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

JOINT RESOLUTION

Disapproving the granting of amnesty by the Government of Iraq to persons known to have attacked, kidnapped, wounded, or killed members of the Armed Forces of the United States or citizens of the United States in Iraq.

1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. FINDINGS.**

4 Congress finds the following:

5 (1) The Armed Forces of the United States and
6 Coalition military forces have served bravely in Iraq
7 since the beginning of military operations in March
8 2003.

9 (2) The United States has provided approxi-
10 mately \$320,000,000,000 for Operation Iraqi Free-
11 dom, including \$28,000,000,000 in reconstruction
12 assistance.

13 (3) Since the beginning of Operation Iraqi
14 Freedom, more than 2,500 members of the Armed
15 Forces of the United States and members of Coali-
16 tion military forces have been killed and more than
17 18,000 have been injured in operations to bring
18 peace and stability to all the people of Iraq and an
19 estimated 177 American civilians have been killed.

20 (4) During a recent press conference, Iraqi
21 Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki discussed the possi-
22 bility of granting amnesty to those “who weren’t in-
23 volved in the shedding of Iraqi blood”.

24 (5) Adnan Ali al-Kadhmi, a former top advisor
25 to Prime Minister Maliki, recently said that “there

1 is a patriotic feeling among the Iraqi youth and the
2 belief that those attacks [against United States
3 forces] are legitimate acts of resistance and defend-
4 ing their homeland. These people will be pardoned
5 definitely, I believe”.

6 (6) Mr. Kadhami continues to maintain that
7 “the Prime Minister himself has said that he is
8 ready to give amnesty to the so-called resistance,
9 provided they have not been involved in killing
10 Iraqis”.

11 (7) The Iraqi government may still be consid-
12 ering a far-reaching plan that includes granting such
13 an amnesty.

14 (8) 47 percent of Iraqis approve the attacks on
15 the United States forces and 87 percent endorse a
16 timetable for withdrawal.

17 (9) It is vital that Iraq and the United States
18 together send the clearest possible signal that those
19 committing acts of violence against American mili-
20 tary forces and American civilians will not be re-
21 warded with amnesty.

22 **SEC. 2. STATEMENT OF POLICY.**

23 (a) POLICY.—Congress declares that it is the policy
24 of the United States that the United States opposes any
25 effort by the Government of Iraq to grant amnesty to any

1 person known to have attacked, kidnapped, wounded, or
2 killed members of the Armed Forces of the United States
3 or citizens of the United States.

4 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
5 gress that, immediately upon the enactment of this resolu-
6 tion, the President should notify the government of Iraq
7 that the Government of the United States strongly op-
8 poses the granting of amnesty to any person who has at-
9 tacked, kidnapped, wounded, or killed members of the
10 Armed Forces of the United States or citizens of the
11 United States.

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