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H. RES. 1091

Condemning in the strongest terms Iran's commitment to hold an international Holocaust denial conference on December 11–12, 2006.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 5, 2006

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida (for himself, Mr. HOYER, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. WAXMAN, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. MEEK of Florida, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. NADLER, Mr. WEXLER, and Mr. CROWLEY) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

RESOLUTION

Condemning in the strongest terms Iran's commitment to hold an international Holocaust denial conference on December 11–12, 2006.

Whereas Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad has expressed his intention to hold an international Holocaust denial conference entitled "Study of Holocaust: A Global Perspective", to begin on December 11, 2006, in Tehran;

Whereas the Iranian Government is openly supportive of Holocaust revisionists, who resolve that the systematic state-sponsored murder of 6,000,000 Jews and other targeted groups by Nazi Germany and its collaborators during World War II was either fabricated or exaggerated;

Whereas in August 2006, Iran staged a reprehensible international contest of cartoons on the Holocaust, endorsing and promoting prevailing anti-Semitic and anti-Israeli stereotypes and Holocaust denial;

Whereas President Ahmadinejad wrote in a letter in July 2006 to German Chancellor Angela Merkel, “Is it not a reasonable possibility that some countries that had won the war (World War II) made up this excuse to constantly embarrass the defeated people . . . to bar their progress.”;

Whereas on October 26, 2005, in a conference entitled, “The World without Zionism”, President Ahmadinejad stated in a speech that “Israel must be wiped off the map.”;

Whereas thereafter, these anti-Semitic comments were broadly condemned by the United Nations and others, including a measure passed by a unanimous vote of the United States House of Representatives on October 28, 2005;

Whereas President Ahmadinejad’s current intent to host an international Holocaust denial conference is only the latest abominable act he has taken in a series of threatening and anti-Semitic, Holocaust denial statements and actions since he rose to power;

Whereas to deny the Holocaust’s occurrence is in itself an act of anti-Semitism;

Whereas one who denies the Holocaust, denies the greatest tragedy of the Jewish people and the most extreme act of anti-Semitism in history;

Whereas President Ahmadinejad’s past and present declarations and actions—spewing outrageous anti-Semitic, anti-Israel rhetoric, remaining a primary source of funding, training, and support for terrorist groups seeking to de-

stroy Israel, and openly threatening Israel and the United States—prove President Ahmadinejad is on a national crusade of hatred and ultimate destruction against Israel and the Western civilized world;

Whereas President Ahmadinejad’s statements and actions arrive in the midst of Iran’s relentless defiance of the international community by rejecting nuclear nonproliferation standards and the latest United Nations Security Council demand that Iran immediately halt its efforts to enrich uranium; and

Whereas the longstanding policy of the Iranian regime aimed at destroying the democratic State of Israel, highlighted by statements made by President Ahmadinejad, underscores the threat posed by a nuclear Iran: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) condemns in the strongest terms Iran’s
3 commitment to hold an international Holocaust de-
4 nial conference on December 11–12, 2006, and any
5 and all vile anti-Semitic statements made by Iranian
6 President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad and other Iranian
7 leaders;

8 (2) calls on the United Nations to officially and
9 publicly repudiate all of Iran’s anti-Semitic state-
10 ments made at such conference and hold accountable
11 United Nations member states that encourage or
12 echo such statements;

1 (3) calls on the United Nations Security Coun-
2 cil to strengthen its commitment to taking measures
3 necessary to prevent Iran from possessing nuclear
4 power;

5 (4) further calls on President George W. Bush
6 to condemn President Ahmadinejad's stated intent
7 to hold an international Holocaust denial conference;

8 (5) reaffirms the United States commitment to
9 prevent a nuclear Iran;

10 (6) reaffirms the United States longstanding
11 friendship and ally in the State of Israel; and

12 (7) vows to never forget the horrendous murder
13 of millions in the Holocaust and affirms that such
14 genocide should never happen again.

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