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H. RES. 497

Concerning the situation in Rwanda.

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Mr. SAXTON (for himself and Mr. DELLUMS) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

RESOLUTION

Concerning the situation in Rwanda.

Whereas 2,000,000 refugees fled in a mass exodus from the nation of Rwanda;

Whereas the situation in Rwanda has been characterized as the greatest refugee crisis in modern times;

Whereas thousands of Rwandan refugees are dying due to disease and starvation;

Whereas over 1,200 tons of food a day and 1,000,000 gallons of water are reported to be required to stem death and sickness among the Rwandan refugees;

Whereas the American people and the United States Government have historically responded to human tragedies through the delivery of food, medicine, and other life-sustaining supplies; and

Whereas the United States' ability to transport and deliver critically-needed humanitarian aid to Rwanda and future crises is hampered by a declining airlift fleet: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the House of Rep-
2 resentatives that the United States Government should
3 maintain a commitment to mobilize, in concert with the
4 United Nations and the country's allies, to provide nec-
5 essary aid to relieve the human suffering resulting from
6 the Rwandan crisis and to take active steps to ensure that
7 the United States possesses the military assets needed to
8 accomplish this vital undertaking.

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