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S. 1487

Entitled the “Middle East Peace Facilitation Act of 1993”.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 23 (legislative day, SEPTEMBER 7), 1993

Mr. PELL (for himself and Mr. HELMS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

A BILL

Entitled the “Middle East Peace Facilitation Act of 1993”.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. FINDINGS.**

4 The Congress finds that—

5 (a) The Palestine Liberation Organization has
6 recognized the State of Israel’s right to exist in
7 peace and security; accepted United Nations Secu-
8 rity Council resolutions 242 and 338; committed it-
9 self to the peace process and peaceful coexistence
10 with Israel, free from violence and all other acts
11 which endanger peace and stability; and assumed re-
12 sponsibility over all PLO elements and personnel in

1 order to assure their compliance, prevent violations
2 and discipline violators;

3 (b) Israel has recognized the Palestine Libera-
4 tion Organization as the representative of the Pal-
5 estinian people;

6 (c) Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organi-
7 zation signed a Declaration of Principles on Interim
8 Self-Government Arrangements on September 13,
9 1993 at the White House;

10 (d) the United States has resumed a bilateral
11 dialogue with the Palestine Liberation Organization;
12 and

13 (e) in order to implement the Declaration of
14 Principles on Interim Self-Government Arrange-
15 ments and facilitate the Middle East peace process,
16 the President requires flexibility to waive certain
17 provisions of law pertaining to the Palestine Libera-
18 tion Organization.

19 **SEC. 2. WAIVER AUTHORITY.**

20 (a) Until January 1, 1994, the President shall have
21 the authority to waive any provision of law enumerated
22 in paragraph (b) of this section, provided that before exer-
23 cising this authority, the President shall consult with the
24 relevant Committees of the Senate and House of Rep-
25 resentatives, and further provided that the President de-

1 termines, and so certifies to the Chairmen and Ranking
2 Members of the relevant Committees of the Senate and
3 House of Representatives—

4 (1) that it is in the national interest of the
5 United States, and,

6 (2) that the Palestine Liberation Organization
7 continues to abide by all commitments in its letter
8 of September 9, 1993, to the Prime Minister of Is-
9 rael, in its letter of September 9, 1993, to the For-
10 eign Minister of Norway, and in, and resulting from
11 the implementation of, the Declaration of Principles
12 signed on September 13, 1993.

13 (b) The following provisions of the following acts shall
14 be waived in accordance with the procedure in paragraph
15 (a) of this section:

16 (1) Section 307 of the Foreign Assistance Act,
17 as amended, with respect to the Palestine Liberation
18 Organization (PLO), programs for the PLO, and
19 programs for the benefit of entities associated
20 with it;

21 (2) section 1003 of the Foreign Relations Au-
22 thorization Act, fiscal years 1988 and 1989 (Public
23 Law 100–204);

24 (3) section 114 of the Department of State Au-
25 thorization Act, Fiscal Years 1984 and 1985 (Public

1 Law 98-164) with respect to the Palestine Libera-
2 tion Organization (PLO), programs for the PLO,
3 and programs for the benefit of entities associated
4 with it; and
5 (4) section 37, Bretton Woods Agreement Act
6 (Public Law 79-171).

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