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1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# S. CON. RES. 16

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Ms. SNOWE submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

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1        *Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives*

2        *concurring),*

3        (a) FINDINGS.—The Congress finds that—

4                (1) Iran is aggressively pursuing a program to

5        acquire and/or develop nuclear weapons;

1           (2) the Director of Central Intelligence, in Sep-  
2           tember of 1994, confirmed that Iran is manufactur-  
3           ing and stockpiling chemical weapons;

4           (3) Iran has opposed the Middle East peace  
5           process and continues to support the terrorist group  
6           Hezbollah in Lebanon and radical Palestinian  
7           groups;

8           (4) Iran has asserted control over the Persian  
9           Gulf island of Abu Musa, which it had been pre-  
10          viously sharing with the United Arab Emirates;

11          (5) during the last few years Iran has report-  
12          edly acquired several hundred improved Scud mis-  
13          siles from North Korea;

14          (6) Iran has moved modern air defense missile  
15          systems, tanks, additional troops, artillery, and a  
16          surface-to-surface missiles onto islands in the Per-  
17          sian Gulf, some of which are disputed between Iran  
18          and the United Arab Emirates;

19          (7) Iran has already taken delivery of as many  
20          as thirty modern Mig-29 fighter aircraft from the  
21          Russian Federation;

22          (8) The Russian Federation has sold modern  
23          conventionally powered submarines to Iran, which  
24          increase Iran's capability to blockade the Straits of  
25          Hormuz and the Persian Gulf; and

1           (9) the Russian Federation has continued to  
2           pursue a commercial agreement intended to provide  
3           Iran with nuclear technology despite being provided  
4           with a detailed description by the President of the  
5           United States of Iran's nuclear weapons program.

6           (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
7           gress that the Russian Federation should be strongly con-  
8           demned if it continues with a commercial agreement to  
9           provide Iran with nuclear technology which would assist  
10          that country in its development of nuclear weapons, and,  
11          if such transfer occurs, that Russia would be ineligible for  
12          assistance under the terms of the Freedom Support Act.

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