106TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. CON. RES. 358

Calling upon the Government of Turkey to withdraw its armed forces from the island of Cyprus and to negotiate, along with the Government of Turkish-occupied Cyprus, for the reunification of the Government of the Republic of Cyprus.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 21, 2000

Mr. Campbell submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Calling upon the Government of Turkey to withdraw its armed forces from the island of Cyprus and to negotiate, along with the Government of Turkish-occupied Cyprus, for the reunification of the Government of the Republic of Cyprus.

Whereas in 1960, the island Republic of Cyprus gained independence from Great Britain;

Whereas under the terms of the Republic's constitution and the Treaty of Alliance between the Kingdom of Greece, the Republic of Turkey, and the Republic of Cyprus (done at Nicosia, Cyprus; effective August 16, 1960), a Greek Cypriot president and Turkish Cypriot vice president were elected;

- Whereas beginning in 1964, Turkish Cypriots withdrew from most national institutions, and a series of violent clashes occurred between the Greek and Turkish Cypriots as a result of this action;
- Whereas in 1974, Turkey sent armed forces to Cyprus and occupied over 36 percent of the island, creating the wide-spread displacement of Greek Cypriots from the northern part of the island;
- Whereas since 1974, efforts by the United States and the United Nations to resolve this dispute have been unsuccessful; and
- Whereas 30,000 Turkish armed forces remain stationed on the island of Cyprus: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
 - 2 concurring), That it is the sense of the Congress that Tur-
 - 3 key should—
 - 4 (1) withdraw all its armed forces from the is-
 - 5 land of Cyprus; and
 - 6 (2) along with the Government of Turkish-occu-
 - 7 pied Cyprus, negotiate for the reunification of the
 - 8 Government of the Republic of Cyprus.

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