

106TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. CON. RES. 370

Calling upon the Government of Turkey to withdraw its armed forces from the island of Cyprus and to negotiate for the reunification of the Republic of Cyprus.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 11, 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 for the reunification of the Republic of Cyprus.

Whereas in 1974, Turkey sent armed forces to Cyprus and occupied over 36 percent of the island, creating the widespread 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 remain unsuccessful;

Whereas the European Union has commenced accession negotiations with the Government of Cyprus and concluded, at its December 1999 Helsinki European Council meeting, that, while a political settlement of this dispute

would facilitate the accession of Cyprus to the European Union, it would not be a precondition for accession;

Whereas accession to the European Union would allow a united Cyprus to take full advantage of European Union membership; and

Whereas more than 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) negotiate for the reunification of the Repub-
7 lic of Cyprus on the basis of existing United Nations
8 Security Council resolutions.

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