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H. RES. 405

Expressing the moral requirement to end violence and terrorism in the Middle East.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

RESOLUTION

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terrorism in the Middle East.

Whereas recent events in the Middle East, triggered by recent Palestinian suicide bombings, have created conditions under which the reestablishment of a nonviolent environment is highly unlikely without the active sustained leadership of the United States: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—
- 2 (1) stands in solidarity with Israel's right as a
- 3 frontline state in the war against terrorism to take
- 4 military action to end terrorist attacks, to dismantle
- 5 terrorist infrastructure, and to provide security for
- 6 its people;

1 (2) remains committed to Israel's right to self-
2 defense and to assisting Israel in exercising that
3 right;

4 (3) will continue to assist Israel in strength-
5 ening its homeland defenses;

6 (4) condemns Palestinian suicide bombings and
7 the ongoing support and coordination of terror by
8 Yassir Arafat and other members of the Palestinian
9 leadership;

10 (5) insists that the Palestinian Authority fulfill
11 its commitment to dismantle the terrorist infrastruc-
12 ture in the Palestinian areas;

13 (6) urges all Arab states, particularly United
14 States allies Egypt and Saudi Arabia, to declare
15 their unqualified opposition to all forms of terrorism,
16 particularly suicide bombing, and to act in concert
17 with the United States to stop the violence;

18 (7) urges Israel to make clear, in the context of
19 the full settlement described in paragraph (8), its
20 willingness to withdraw from occupied territories;
21 and

22 (8) urges all parties in the region to vigorously
23 pursue efforts to establish a just, lasting, and com-
24 prehensive peace in the Middle East that will enable
25 Israel and an independent Palestinian state to exist

1 within the context of full and normal relationships,
2 which should include termination of all claims or
3 states of belligerency and respect for and acknowl-
4 edgment of the sovereignty, territorial integrity, and
5 political independence of every state in the area and
6 their right to live in peace within secure and recog-
7 nized boundaries free from threats or acts of force.

