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Expressing grave concern of the House of Representatives for Iran and Syria's continued and systematic violations of U.N. Resolutions 1701 and 1559.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ISRAEL (for himself and Mr. KNOLLENBERG) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

RESOLUTION

Expressing grave concern of the House of Representatives for Iran and Syria's continued and systematic violations of U.N. Resolutions 1701 and 1559.

Whereas both resolutions 1559 and 1701 call for Lebanon's sovereignty and political independence, and the disarmament of all armed militias and foreign forces;

Whereas resolution 1701 specifically calls for the immediate and unconditional release of abducted Israeli soldiers;

Whereas Iran and Syria continue to replenish Hezbollah's arsenal and rehabilitate its military force, reaching a greater weapons capacity than before the Second Lebanon War;

Whereas the arms embargo has not been effectively enforced and weapons are steadily smuggled into Lebanon from Syria and Iran;

Whereas political assassinations and terrorism aimed at anti-Syrian Lebanese political leaders have threatened Lebanese independence;

Whereas Israel Defense Forces soldiers Ehud Goldwasser and Eldad Regev, abducted by Hezbollah forces on July 12, 2006, have not been released; and

Whereas Israel has fulfilled its obligations in resolution 1701 by withdrawing its troops from southern Lebanon and maintaining the ceasefire: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) demands that all provisions of U.N. Resolu-
3 tions be implemented including—

4 (A) Hezbollah immediately and uncondi-
5 tionally release Israel Defense Force soldiers
6 Ehud Goldwasser and Eldad Regev, as man-
7 dated by U.N. Resolution 1701;

8 (B) Hezbollah and other armed Lebanese
9 and non-Lebanese militias groups disband and
10 disarm as required by both U.N. Resolutions
11 1559 and 1701; and

12 (C) the arms embargo be strictly enforced,
13 as both resolutions demand there be no weap-
14 ons in Lebanon without the consent of its Gov-

1 ernment and no authority other than that of its
2 Government;

3 (2) expresses—

4 (A) its unwavering support and commit-
5 ment to the unconditional release of the ab-
6 ducted Israeli soldiers;

7 (B) its support for the Government of Leb-
8 anon in asserting its sovereignty by extending its
9 authority throughout its territory, particularly
10 in the South;

11 (C) its support for the U.N. mandated
12 UNIFIL troops, and its strong hope for the ex-
13 pansion of its troops to the Syrian border to en-
14 force the weapons embargo;

15 (D) its vigorous support for a democratic
16 Lebanon, with disarmed Lebanese and non-Leb-
17 anese militias; and

18 (E) its deepest concern that the continued
19 failure of the international community to live
20 up to its commitments to stop Hezbollah's rear-
21 mament could once again lead to war; and

22 (3) condemns—

23 (A) Iran and Syria for its ongoing violation
24 of U.N. Resolutions 1701 and 1559, especially
25 in re-arming Hezbollah; and

1 (B) Iran and Syria, for sponsoring, financ-
2 ing, and arming terrorist organizations inter-
3 nationally and specifically within Lebanon.

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