

110<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# S. RES. 516

Solemnly commemorating the 25th anniversary of the tragic April 1983 bombing of the United States Embassy in Beirut and remembering those who lost their lives and those who were injured.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 15, 2008

Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. FEINGOLD, and Mr. CASEY) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

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## RESOLUTION

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Whereas, on April 18, 1983, terrorists detonated a bomb at the United States Embassy in Beirut, Lebanon, killing 63 people, including 42 American and Lebanese Embassy staff;

Whereas the bombing injured many other people, including 35 Embassy staff;

Whereas President Ronald Reagan denounced the “vicious terrorist bombing” as a “cowardly act”; and

Whereas the April 18, 1983 attack was at the time the deadliest attack against a United States diplomatic mission in history, but was followed by other terrorist attacks against Americans in Beirut including the bombing of the United States Marines barracks in Beirut on October 23, 1983, which killed 241 members of the United States Armed Forces, the bombing of the United States Embassy annex in Beirut on September 20, 1984, which killed 12 people, including 9 Embassy staff, and the bombing of a United States Embassy vehicle on January 15, 2008, which injured 2 Lebanese employees of the Embassy and killed 3 Lebanese passers by: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the Senate, on the 25th anniversary  
 2 of the April 18, 1983, bombing of the United States Em-  
 3 bassy in Beirut, Lebanon—

4           (1) remembers the victims of the bombing;

5           (2) joins family and friends in mourning the  
 6 American and Lebanese victims who lost their lives  
 7 in this tragic bombing;

8           (3) condemns all terrorist acts that deliberately  
 9 target the innocent; and

10          (4) reiterates its strong support for the people  
 11 of Lebanon and their Government as they seek to  
 12 build a better future free from the threat of terrorist  
 13 violence.

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