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# S. RES. 352

Requesting information on the Republic of South Sudan's human rights practices pursuant to section 502B(c) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 31, 2025

Mr. KAINE submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the  
Committee on Foreign Relations

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## RESOLUTION

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1       *Resolved,*

2       **SECTION 1. REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON SOUTH SU-**  
3               **DAN'S HUMAN RIGHTS PRACTICES.**

4       (a) STATEMENT REQUESTED.—The Senate requests  
5       that the Secretary of State, not later than 30 days after  
6       the date of the adoption of this resolution, submit to the  
7       Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate and the  
8       Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representa-  
9       tives, pursuant to section 502B(c) of the Foreign Assist-  
10      ance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2304(c)), a statement re-

1 guarding South Sudan's human rights practices that has  
2 been prepared in collaboration with the Assistant Sec-  
3 retary of State for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor  
4 and the Office of the Legal Adviser at the Department  
5 of State.

6 (b) ELEMENTS.—The statement submitted pursuant  
7 to subsection (a) should include—

8 (1) all available credible information concerning  
9 alleged violations of internationally recognized  
10 human rights by the Government of South Sudan,  
11 including—

12 (A) arbitrary and unlawful arrest, deten-  
13 tion, imprisonment, torture and cruel or inhu-  
14 mane treatment, including of people who are  
15 not citizens of South Sudan but have been re-  
16 moved to South Sudan by the United States  
17 Government;

18 (B) violations of due process rights, includ-  
19 ing a description of any opportunity provided to  
20 people who are not citizens of South Sudan but  
21 have been removed to South Sudan by the  
22 United States Government to demonstrate that  
23 they have been wrongfully arrested, detained, or  
24 imprisoned;

1 (C) enforced disappearances and arbitrary  
2 or unlawful killings, including extrajudicial  
3 killings, including of people who are not citizens  
4 of South Sudan but have been removed to  
5 South Sudan by the United States Government;

6 (D) trafficking in persons, including forced  
7 or slave labor, including of people who are not  
8 citizens of South Sudan but have been removed  
9 to South Sudan by the United States Govern-  
10 ment; and

11 (E) treatment of and legal rights and sta-  
12 tus provided by the Government of South  
13 Sudan to people in South Sudan who are not  
14 citizens of South Sudan but have been removed  
15 to South Sudan by the United States Govern-  
16 ment;

17 (2) a description of the steps the United States  
18 Government has taken—

19 (A) to promote respect for and observance  
20 of human rights as part of the Government of  
21 South Sudan's activities;

22 (B) to discourage any practices that are  
23 inimical to internationally recognized human  
24 rights;

1 (C) to publicly or privately call attention  
2 to, and disassociate the United States and any  
3 security assistance if provided for the Govern-  
4 ment of South Sudan from, any practices de-  
5 scribed in subparagraph (B); and

6 (D) to assess, prior to removal, how the  
7 Government of South Sudan would treat people  
8 who are not citizens of South Sudan but have  
9 been removed to South Sudan by the United  
10 States Government, including—

11 (i) conducting individualized assess-  
12 ments of such individuals to determine  
13 whether the Government of South Sudan  
14 may send that person to their country of  
15 origin or last residence, and if so, whether  
16 the Government of South Sudan would  
17 provide them with meaningful opportunity  
18 before their removal to show that they may  
19 be persecuted, tortured, or otherwise  
20 harmed; and

21 (ii) ensuring that the Government of  
22 South Sudan would provide such individ-  
23 uals with legal immigration status, should  
24 they wish to remain in South Sudan, and  
25 would be treated humanely; and

1 (3) other information, including—

2 (A) an assessment from the Secretary of  
3 State of the likelihood that United States secu-  
4 rity assistance (as defined in section 502B(d) of  
5 the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C.  
6 2304(d))), if provided to South Sudan, could be  
7 used in support of activities by government offi-  
8 cials related to the rendition, trafficking, deten-  
9 tion, or imprisonment of people who are not  
10 citizens of South Sudan but have been removed  
11 to South Sudan by the United States Govern-  
12 ment;

13 (B) any analysis conducted by the United  
14 States Government of the conditions to be faced  
15 in South Sudan by people who are not citizens  
16 of South Sudan but have been removed to  
17 South Sudan by the United States Government,  
18 prior to the rendition, removal, trafficking, de-  
19 tention, or imprisonment of such individuals to  
20 South Sudan;

21 (C) an assessment from the Secretary of  
22 State of the conditions in any detention centers  
23 or prisons in South Sudan that may hold people  
24 who are not citizens of South Sudan but have  
25 been removed to South Sudan by the United

1 States Government, including an assessment of  
2 allegations of torture and other gross violations  
3 of human rights;

4 (D) a description of any actions that the  
5 United States Government is taking to ensure  
6 that the Government of South Sudan returns  
7 people who are not citizens of South Sudan but  
8 have been removed to South Sudan by the  
9 United States Government, in compliance with  
10 United States court orders regarding their re-  
11 turn to the United States;

12 (E) a description of any actions that the  
13 United States Government is taking to address  
14 the risk of detention, torture, or forced dis-  
15 appearances of people who are not citizens of  
16 South Sudan but have been removed to South  
17 Sudan by the United States Government, or ef-  
18 forts to facilitate the detention, torture, or  
19 forced disappearances of such people;

20 (F) a description of any actions the United  
21 States Government is taking to protect people  
22 who are not citizens of South Sudan but are  
23 within the United States jurisdiction or effec-  
24 tive control from unlawful rendering, traf-

1           ficking, or other means of removal to South  
2           Sudan;

3           (G) all information regarding any agree-  
4           ment or financial transaction between the  
5           United States Government and the Government  
6           of South Sudan related to the rendition, re-  
7           moval, trafficking, detention, or imprisonment  
8           of individuals who are not citizens of South  
9           Sudan but have been removed to South Sudan  
10          by the United States Government;

11          (H) all information regarding any individ-  
12          uals sent to South Sudan by the United States  
13          Government in 2025;

14          (I) a description of any actions that the  
15          United States Government is taking to facilitate  
16          the release or return of people who are not citi-  
17          zens of South Sudan but have been wrongfully  
18          removed to South Sudan by the United States  
19          Government;

20          (J) all information regarding any assur-  
21          ances the United States Government sought or  
22          received regarding the treatment of people who  
23          are not citizens of South Sudan but have been  
24          removed to South Sudan by the United States

1 Government, prior to the rendition, removal, or  
2 trafficking of such individuals to South Sudan;

3 (K) all information regarding assurances  
4 the United States Government sought or re-  
5 ceived regarding the further rendition, traf-  
6 ficking, removal, or transfer of people who are  
7 not citizens of South Sudan but have been re-  
8 moved to South Sudan by the United States  
9 Government to countries that are not South  
10 Sudan, including the human rights conditions  
11 for such individuals in those countries; and

12 (L) a summary of all meetings in 2025 be-  
13 tween Government of South Sudan officials and  
14 Washington-based officials of the United States  
15 Government.

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