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Quite ironically, ethnic diversity will surely be the casualty of all of this mischief. NATO and the U.S. are co-conspirators and military allies of a Serbian province that is seeking to become a separate ethnic country. Let there be no doubt, if NATO has its way, Albanian Kosovars will not remain part of Serbia.

The US-NATO War against Serbia is illegal by all standards. Congress has not declared war; therefore the President has no authority to wage war. Attacking a sovereign nation violates longstanding international law, as well as the NATO and UN Charters.

NATO's aggression is immoral as well. It forces US citizens and others in Europe, opposed to the war, to pay for it and some are even forced to fight in it against their will. If the war expands we can expect the return of the draft to make sure there are enough soldiers to participate.

As ugly as the Yugoslavian civil war may be in Kosovo and as heart wrenching as the pictures of mass refugees fleeing their homeland is, one evil can never justify another.

If one is disinclined to be persuaded by law and morality and responds only to emotions, propaganda, and half-truths, then one must consider the practical failure of compulsive intervention in the affairs of other nations.

Prior to NATO's expanding the war in Yugoslavia approximately 2,000 deaths in the past year were recorded in Kosovo. As a consequence of NATO's actions the killing has now escalated and no one can hardly be pleased just because now Serbs, our once valiant allies against the Nazi's, are dying. Those who are motivated by good intentions while ignoring facts cannot be excused for the escalating and dangerous crisis in Yugoslavia.

The humanitarian concerns for Albanian refugees is justified, but going to war because of emotional concerns, while ignoring other millions of refugees around the world, only stirs the passions of the oppressed, whether they are Kurds, Palestinians, Tibetans, East Timorans, or Rwandans. When NATO talks of returning Albanians to their homes in Kosovo, I wonder why there's no reference or concern for the more than 500,000 Serbs thrown out of their homes in Bosnia, Slovenia, and Croatia. Current NATO policy in Yugoslavia will surely encourage more ethnic minorities around the world to revolt and demand independence.

Some in Congress are now saying that although they were strongly opposed to the administration's policy of bombing in Yugoslavia prior to its onset, conditions are now different and an all-out effort to win with ground troops if necessary, must be undertaken. This, it is said, is required to preserve NATO's credibility. Who cares about NATO's credibility?

Are American lives to be lost and a greater war precipitated to preserve NATO's credibility? Should the rule of law and morality be thrown out in an effort to preserve NATO's credibility? Can something be wrong and misguided before it's started and all of a sudden deserve to be blindly supported? This reasoning makes no sense.

No one has quite figured out the secret motivation of why this war must be fought. But I found it interesting that evidence of our weapons shortage is broadcast to the world and to the Serbs. Surely, one result of the war will be a rapid rush by Congress this year to massively increase the military budget. But, a serious discussion of our flawed foreign policy of intervention that has served us so poorly, unfortunately, will not occur.

Political leaders and pundits are struggling to define an "exit strategy" for the war. In the old days when wars were properly declared for national security reasons, no one needed to ask such a question. A moral war, fought against an aggressor, for national security reasons, was over when it was won. It's only been since Congress has reneged on its responsibility with regards to war power, has it become necessary to discuss how we "exit" a war not legitimately entered into, and without victory as the goal. The political wars fought without declaration, starting with the Korean War to the present, have not enhanced the long-term security and liberty of the American people.

Institutionalizing a collective approach to war seems to be a result of the obsession to "save face" for NATO. Never before in our history have we Americans accepted so casually the turning over of a military operation to foreign control with non-American spokesmen briefing us each day. This is a major step in further solidifying the world-government approach to all political problems.

There is, however, one major contradiction to the internationalist's desire to assimilate all countries and ethnic groups and have them governed by a single world government. Quite ironically, ethnic diversity will surely be the casualty of all this mischief.

NATO and the US are co-conspirators and military allies of a Serbian Province that is seeking to become a separate ethnic country. The full force of our efforts, no matter what humanitarian picture is painted to justify our actions, is to make Kosovo an Albanian Muslim state separate from Serbia.

Current NATO and US policy completely contradict the professed goal of multi-ethnicity and assimilation of all people. NATO's operation, by its very nature, is bureaucratically burdened by the effort to appease the political concerns of 19 different countries. This inefficiency and the contradiction of supporting the establishment of an ethnic state will guarantee NATO's deserved demise. The sooner we get out of Yugoslavia the better off everyone will be.

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The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from North Dakota (Mr. POMEROY) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. POMEROY. Madam Speaker, today in Kosovo, a baby will die. Three

weeks ago, this same little one was healthy and happy. She will not, however, be strong enough to cope with the cold, the hunger, the exposure and the inevitable disease, and today she will die in the arms of a desperate mother who is powerless to keep her daughter safe and well.

Madam Speaker, today in Kosovo, a young woman will be raped. Three weeks ago she was thinking of her studies and her friends, reveling in the beauty and innocence of one who has only celebrated her 16th birthday.

Madam Speaker, today in Kosovo, a loving husband, an adoring father, an affectionate son and a beloved brother will be shot to death as he stands unarmed and unable to comprehend why he is about to die.

Three weeks ago he provided for his family, pattered about his house, attended to those he loved and participated in his community. He lived the life and held the dreams of ordinary folks the world over.

These unspeakable tragedies, Madam Speaker, will repeat themselves hundreds, thousands or very possibly tens of thousands of times as the ethnic cleansing of Kosovo continues to unfold.

As we wrestle with the complexities of the United States's response to this horror, I hope this great House, the people's house, will rise above the partisanship that has all too often characterized debate in this Chamber. For the sake of those whose lives have been abruptly ended, for the sake of those whose families have been destroyed, for the sake of those who have endured life-scarring assaults, let us measure up just at least this one time to the greatness of the people we represent.

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Let us, Madam Speaker, deliberate with wisdom and seriousness of purpose the grave question of how our country should respond to the horrific situation in Kosovo.

#### RULES OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET FOR THE 106TH CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. NORTHUP). Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. KASICH) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. KASICH. Madam Speaker, in accordance with clause 2(a) of Rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, I submit for printing in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD the Rules of the Committee on the Budget for the 106th Congress.

These rules were adopted by the Committee on the Budget by voice vote at an organizational meeting held by the committee on January 20, 1999.

If there are any questions on the Committee Rules, please contact Jim Bates, Chief Counsel of the Budget Committee.