Whereas the National League for Democracy, headed by Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, is the legitimately elected political leadership in Burma;

Whereas the ruling State Peace and Development Council, headed by General Than Shwe, and its affiliated organizations continue, through a variety of means, to violate the human rights and dignity of the people of Burma through murder, torture, rape, forced relocation, the employment of child soldiers, the use of forced labor, and the exploitation of child laborers;

Whereas the State Peace and Development Council, the situation in Burma poses an immediate and growing threat to the Southeast Asia region, including through the unchecked spread of HIV/AIDS, the illicit production of, and trafficking in, narcotics, trafficking in persons, and alleged efforts to purchase weapons from North Korea, China, and Russia;

Whereas, at the 58th session of the United Nations General Assembly, a resolution was adopted by the General Assembly that expressed grave concern about the ongoing systematic violations of human rights inflicted upon the people of Burma and calls on the United Nations Security Council to re-lease all political prisoners, respect the results of the national elections in 1990, and restore democracy to Burma; and

WHEREAS the National League for Democracy has called upon the United Nations Security Council to intervene on behalf of the people of Burma; Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED (S. Res. 431) expressing the sense of the Senate that the United Nations Security Council should immediately consider and take appropriate actions to respond to the threats posed by conditions in Burma under the illegitimate rule of the State Peace and Development Council.

The preamble was agreed to. The resolution (S. Res. 431) expressing the sense of the Senate that the United Nations Security Council should immediately consider and take appropriate actions to respond to the threats posed by conditions in Burma under the illegitimate rule of the State Peace and Development Council.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution. Mr. M. C. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid on the table, and any statements be printed in the Record.

The ENTITLED RESOLUTION was agreed to. The resolution (S. Res. 431) expressing the sense of the Senate that the United Nations Security Council should immediately consider and take appropriate actions to respond to the threats posed by conditions in Burma under the illegitimate rule of the State Peace and Development Council.

There being no objection, it is so ordered. The resolution (S. Res. 431) expressing the sense of the Senate that the United Nations Security Council should immediately consider and take appropriate actions to respond to the threats posed by conditions in Burma under the illegitimate rule of the State Peace and Development Council.

The preamble was agreed to. The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

WHEREAS, under the regressive rule of the State Peace and Development Council, the situation in Burma poses an immediate and growing threat to the Southeast Asia region, including through the unchecked spread of HIV/AIDS, the illicit production of, and trafficking in, narcotics, trafficking in persons, and alleged efforts to purchase weapons from North Korea, China, and Russia;

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WHEREAS, at the 58th session of the United Nations General Assembly, a resolution was adopted by the General Assembly that expresses grave concern about the ongoing systematic violations of human rights inflicted upon the people of Burma and calls on the United Nations Security Council to re-lease all political prisoners, respect the results of the national elections in 1990, and restore democracy to Burma; and

WHEREAS the National League for Democracy, headed by Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, is the legitimately elected political leadership in Burma;

WHEREAS the ruling State Peace and Development Council, headed by General Than Shwe, and its affiliated organizations continue, through a variety of means, to violate the human rights and dignity of the people of Burma through murder, torture, rape, forced relocation, the employment of child soldiers, the use of forced labor, and the exploitation of child laborers;

WHEREAS the State Peace and Development Council, the situation in Burma poses an immediate and growing threat to the Southeast Asia region, including through the unchecked spread of HIV/AIDS, the illicit production of, and trafficking in, narcotics, trafficking in persons, and alleged efforts to purchase weapons from North Korea, China, and Russia;

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