

“(1) take or withhold, or offer or threaten to take or withhold, an official act; or

“(2) influence, or offer or threaten to influence the official act of another.”.

SENATE RESOLUTION 526—CONDEMNING THE MURDER OF UNITED STATES JOURNALIST PAUL KLEBNIKOV ON JULY 9, 2004, IN MOSCOW, AND THE MURDERS OF OTHER MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA IN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

Mrs. CLINTON (for herself and Mr. BROWNBACK) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Foreign Relations:

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Whereas, on July 9, 2004, United States journalist Paul Klebnikov was murdered by gunmen as he exited the Moscow offices of Forbes Magazine;

Whereas no person has been convicted of any offense in connection with the murder of Mr. Klebnikov;

Whereas Mr. Klebnikov is survived by his wife Helen and his 3 young children;

Whereas 12 journalists have been murdered in the Russian Federation since 2000 and Mr. Klebnikov was the first and only citizen of the United States among those journalists;

Whereas the Office of the Russian Prosecutor General arrested and tried Musa Vahaev and Kazbek Duzkov for the murder of Mr. Klebnikov;

Whereas Musa Vahaev and Kazbek Duzkov were acquitted on May 5, 2006, of the charges of murdering Mr. Klebnikov;

Whereas the Government of Russia has stated that the murder of Mr. Klebnikov was ordered by Khozh-Akhmed Nukhaye, a fugitive Chechen criminal gang leader, but has not publicly released any evidence of the complicity of Mr. Nukhaye;

Whereas it remains unclear who ordered the murder of Mr. Klebnikov or if any party will be convicted of that crime;

Whereas the attorneys that represented the Klebnikov family have alleged that numerous procedural violations occurred during the trial;

Whereas a group of investigative journalists from the United States has launched an independent inquiry into the death of Mr. Klebnikov;

Whereas the 2005 Country Reports on Human Rights Practices published by the Department of State indicated that the Government of Russia had continued to weaken the independence and freedom of expression of the media industry of Russia, particularly among the major national television networks and regional media outlets of that country; and

Whereas, on June 4, 2006, President Putin told a conference of the World Association of Newspapers that “A progressive state requires a free press.”; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) condemns—

(A) the murder of United States journalist Paul Klebnikov on July 9, 2004, in Moscow; and

(B) the murders of other members of the media in the Russian Federation;

(2) commends the Office of the Russian Prosecutor General for its continuing investigation of the murder of Mr. Klebnikov;

(3) urges the Government of Russia—

(A) to continue its inquiries to determine all parties involved in the murder of Mr. Klebnikov; and

(B) to bring those parties responsible for the murder of Mr. Klebnikov to justice;

(4) urges the Government of Russia to accept offers of assistance with the investigation of the murder of Mr. Klebnikov from—

(A) the United States; and

(B) other concerned governments;

(5) urges the Government of Russia, upon request, to extend appropriate assistance to investigative journalists who have started to conduct independent inquiries relating to the death of Mr. Klebnikov, to the extent that such assistance conforms with the privacy safeguards and the laws of Russia; and

(6) urges the Government of Russia to take appropriate action to protect the independence and freedom of—

(A) the media of Russia; and

(B) all visiting members of the media.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 4545. Mr. McCONNELL (for Mr. OBAMA) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2125, to promote relief, security, and democracy in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

SA 4546. Mr. McCONNELL (for Mr. ENSIGN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1021, to reauthorize the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, and for other purposes.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 4545. Mr. McCONNELL (for Mr. OBAMA) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 2125, to promote relief, security, and democracy in the Democratic Republic of the Congo; as follows:

On page 1, line 6, strike “2005” and insert “2006”.

On page 3, beginning on line 7, strike “promoting security, peace, and prosperity in the” and insert “a secure, peaceful, and prosperous”.

Beginning on page 4, strike line 19 and all that follows through page 5, line 18, and insert the following:

(9) According to the 2005 Department of State report on human rights practices in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, “In all areas of the country, the human rights record remained poor, and numerous serious abuses were committed; however, there were some improvements during the year.”

On page 6, beginning on line 4, strike “fair and democratic elections within the timeframe provided by the Sun City Peace Accords” and insert “that the elections scheduled to be held on July 30, 2006, and future elections in the Democratic Republic of the Congo are carried out in a fair and democratic manner”.

On page 6, line 23, insert “through the provision of necessary equipment and training” after “establish”.

On page 7, line 15, insert “and other illegally armed groups” before the semicolon at the end.

On page 12, beginning on line 7, strike “2005 (division D of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005; Public Law 108-447; 118 Stat. 3015)” and insert “2006 (Public Law 109-102; 119 Stat. 2218)”.

On page 14, line 20, strike “60” and insert “180”.

On page 15, after section (b) insert:

(c) ELIGIBILITY OF DEPARTMENT OF STATE EMPLOYEES.—The individual designated to serve as the Special Envoy may be an employee of the Department of State with the rank of Deputy Assistant Secretary or higher.

On page 16, line 9, strike “IN GENERAL.—”.

On page 19, strike lines 3 through 11.

On page 20, strike lines 3 through 15 and insert the following:

(b) SUPPORT CONTINGENT ON PROGRESS.—If the Secretary of State determines that the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo is not making sufficient progress towards accomplishing the policy objectives in section 102, the President shall consider withdrawing United States support for the assistance described in subsection (a) when future funding decisions are considered.

SA 4546. Mr. McCONNELL (for Mr. ENSIGN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1021, to reauthorize the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Workforce Investment Act Amendments of 2005”.

SEC. 2. TABLE OF CONTENTS.

The table of contents of this Act is as follows:

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Sec. 121. Adult and dislocated worker employment and training activities.

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Sec. 161. Incentive grants.

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TITLE II—AMENDMENTS TO THE ADULT EDUCATION AND FAMILY LITERACY ACT

Sec. 201. Short title; purpose.