

SRES 128

A resolution calling on the Government of the People's Republic of China to immediately and unconditionally release all American scholars of Chinese ancestry being held in detention, calling on the President of the United States to continue working on behalf of the detained scholars for their release, and for other purposes.

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Sen. Helms, Jesse [R-NC]	R · NC		Jul 12, 2001

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jul 12, 2001

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Condemns and deplors: (1) the continued detention of Li Shaomin, Gao Zhan, Wu Jianmin, Qin Guangguang, Teng Chunyan and other scholars detained by the Government of the People's Republic of China and calls for their release; (2) the lack of due process afforded to these detainees and the probable coercion of confessions from some of them; and (3) human rights violations by such Government.

Urges the Chinese Government to consider: (1) the implications to the broader U.S.-Chinese relationship of detaining and coercing confessions from U.S. citizens and permanent residents on unsubstantiated spying charges or suspicions; and (2) releasing Liu Yaping on medical parole.

Expresses the Senate's belief that human rights violations inflicted on U.S. citizens and residents will reduce opportunities for U.S.-Chinese cooperation.

Expresses the sense of the Senate that the President should: (1) make release of the detained American scholars a top priority and continue to make every effort to assist such persons and their families while discussions are ongoing; (2) make it clear that the detention and violation of the human rights of U.S. citizens and residents is not in the Chinese Government's interests; and (3) send a special, high ranking representative to reiterate deep concern regarding continued imprisonment of such persons and to discuss their legal status and immediate humanitarian needs.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 24, 2001:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Resolution agreed to in Senate with an amendment and an amendment to the Title and an amended preamble by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S8141-8142; text: CR 7/30/2001 S8400-8401)
- **Jul 24, 2001:** Resolution agreed to in Senate with an amendment and an amendment to the Title and an amended preamble by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S8141-8142; text: CR 7/30/2001 S8400-8401)
- **Jul 12, 2001:** Committee on Foreign Relations. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Jul 12, 2001:** Committee on Foreign Relations. Reported by Senator Biden without amendment and with a preamble. Without written report.
- **Jul 12, 2001:** Committee on Foreign Relations. Reported by Senator Biden without amendment and with a preamble. Without written report.
- **Jul 12, 2001:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 83.
- **Jul 11, 2001:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jul 11, 2001:** Referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (text of measure as introduced: CR S7519-7520)