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Tibetan Policy Act of 2001

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No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 9, 2001)

Tibetan Policy Act of 2001 - Sets forth congressional declarations, including that it: (1) reaffirms that Tibet is an occupied country under the established principles of international law; (2) commends the Republic of India and the kingdom of Nepal for providing asylum and humanitarian care to the Dalai Lama and Tibetans in exile; (3) expresses concern over incidents of ill treatment of transitory Tibetans in border areas; and (4) urges continued cooperation with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in Kathmandu.

Expresses the sense of Congress that the President and the Secretary of State (as well as U.S. and European parliamentarians in the United States-European Interparliamentary Group) should initiate steps to encourage the Government of the People's Republic of China to enter into negotiations with the Dalai Lama or his representatives leading to an agreement on Tibet.

Establishes within the Department of State a United States Special Coordinator for Tibetan Issues who shall promote substantive dialogue between the Government of China and the Dalai Lama or his representatives.

Directs the U.S. executive director of each international financial institution to encourage and use the U.S. vote to support projects in Tibet consistent with specified principles. Directs the Export-Import Bank of the United States, the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, and the Trade and Development Agency similarly to support projects in Tibet consistent with such principles.

Sets forth provisions with respect to: (1) the release of, and access by humanitarian organizations to, Tibetan prisoners detained in China because of their political or religious beliefs; (2) the establishment of a United States branch office in Lhasa, Tibet; (3) U.S. support for economic development, cultural preservation, health care, and education and environmental sustainability for Tibetans inside Tibet; (4) Tibetan language training to U.S. foreign service officers assigned to the consulate in China; (5) Tibet considerations at the United Nations; and (6) the end of religious persecution in Tibet.

Actions Timeline

- **May 9, 2001:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 9, 2001:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S4607-4608)
- **May 9, 2001:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.