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SRES 173

A resolution expressing support for the Good Friday Agreement of 1998 as the blueprint for lasting peace in Northern Ireland.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Jul 14, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HRES 744	Related bill	Apr 4, 2006: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
109 HRES 555	Related bill	Nov 15, 2005: Referred to the House Committee on International Relations.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Reiterates Senate support for the 1998 Good Friday Agreement as the blueprint for a lasting peace in Northern Ireland.

Expresses the sense of the Senate that: (1) the Irish Republican Army (IRA) must complete its decommissioning and cease to exist as a paramilitary organization; (2) the Democratic Unionist Party (DUP) in Northern Ireland must share power with all parties according to the democratic mandate of the Agreement; (3) Sinn Fein must work with the Police Service of Northern Ireland; (4) the leadership of Sinn Fein must insist that those responsible for, and witnesses to, Robert McCartney's murder cooperate with the Police Service of Northern Ireland, and be protected from IRA retaliation; and (5) the government of the United Kingdom (UK) must restore democratic institutions, complete demilitarization, and advance equality and human rights in Northern Ireland.

Actions Timeline

- Jul 13, 2005: Senate Committee on Foreign Relations discharged by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S8244-8245)
- Jul 13, 2005: Senate Committee on Foreign Relations discharged by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S8244-8245)
- Jul 13, 2005: Passed/agreed to in Senate: Resolution agreed to in Senate without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent.(text: CR S8245)
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- Jun 16, 2005: Introduced in Senate
- Jun 16, 2005: Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S6767)
- Jun 16, 2005: Referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (text of measure as introduced: CR S6767-6768)