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SRES 493

A resolution calling on the Government of the United Kingdom to establish immediately a full, independent, public judicial inquiry into the murder of Northern Ireland defense attorney Pat Finucane, as recommended by international Judge Peter Cory as part of the Western Park agreement and a way forward for the Northern Ireland Peace Process.

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Sen. Clinton, Hillary Rodham [D-NY]	D · NY		Jun 13, 2006

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
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Related Bills

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109 HRES 740	Related bill	May 18, 2006: The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
109 HRES 734	Related bill	Mar 16, 2006: Referred to the House Committee on International Relations.

Calls on the government of the United Kingdom to reconsider its position on the Patrick Finucane case and establish an independent public judicial inquiry into the murder of Patrick Finucane.

Commends Finucane family members for their courageous campaign to seek the truth in this case of collusion.

Welcomes the passage of a resolution by the Dail Eireann on March 8, 2006, calling for the establishment of an independent public judicial inquiry into the Finucane murder as the Irish government's most recent expression of support for the Finucane family.

Acknowledges the U.S. Helsinki Commission for their work in highlighting this case.

Supports the efforts of The Honorable Mitchell Reiss, President Bush's special envoy for the Northern Ireland Peace Process, in pushing for the full implementation of the Weston Park Agreement and the establishment of an independent judicial inquiry into the murder of Patrick Finucane.

Actions Timeline

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