

HRES 1127

Resolution condemning the endemic restrictions on freedom of the press and media and public expression in the Middle East and the concurrent and widespread presence of anti-Semitic incitement to violence and Holocaust denial in the Arab media and press.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Markup By	Apr 30, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Jun 18, 2008)

Condemns the restrictions on freedom of the press and expression in the Arab world and the widespread presence of anti-Semitic material, Holocaust denial, and incitement to violence in the Arab media.

Deplores the practices utilized by the governments in the Middle East to exert control over the press and on public expression.

Expresses concern that many of the Arab governments to which United States has turned for assistance in ending the Israeli-Palestinian conflict are responsible for using their government-controlled media to promulgate incendiary speech regarding Israel and the Jewish people that makes U.S. efforts to help resolve the Arab-Israeli conflict all the more difficult.

Calls on the President to: (1) raise the issue of the lack of media freedom in the Middle East and the proliferation of anti-Semitic incitement; and (2) take into account the compliance of governments throughout the region with international norms and obligations regarding media freedom and anti-Semitic incitement when determining U.S. assistance.

Calls on U.S. allies and governments throughout the Middle East to publicly repudiate purveyors of anti-Semitic incitement.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 18, 2008:** Mr. Ackerman moved to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended.
- **Jun 18, 2008:** Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H5522-5526)
- **Jun 18, 2008:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H. Res. 1127.
- **Jun 18, 2008:** Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.(text: CR H5522-5523)
- **Jun 18, 2008:** On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended Agreed to by voice vote. (text: CR H5522-5523)
- **Jun 18, 2008:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 18, 2008:** The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- **Apr 30, 2008:** Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- **Apr 30, 2008:** Committee Agreed to Seek Consideration Under Suspension of the Rules, (Amended) by Unanimous Consent.
- **Apr 22, 2008:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 22, 2008:** Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.