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HCONRES 317

Condemning the Burmese regime's undemocratic draft constitution and scheduled referendum.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Affairs Committee	House	Markup By	Apr 30, 2008
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Referred To	May 7, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of May 6, 2008)

Denounces the undemocratic and illegitimate actions of the State Peace and Development Council (SPDC) in Burma that seek to legitimize military rule through a flawed referendum process and an undemocratic constitution.

Demands the release of Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, detained Buddhist monks, and all other political prisoners and prisoners of conscience.

Denounces the SPDC for its failure to comply with U.N. recommendations and engage in tri-partite dialogue with Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, the 1990 election winning parties, and representatives of ethnic nationalities.

Urges the President to: (1) call for U.N. Security Council condemnation of the undemocratic referendum process and the SPDC's flawed constitution; (2) call for a Security Council resolution instructing the regime to comply with U.N. recommendations; and (3) push for a comprehensive arms embargo against the Burmese military regime at the Security Council.

Urges the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) to involve itself more deeply in reaching out to the Burmese democracy movement and to work with the Security Council and the Secretary-General to promote political dialogue.

Actions Timeline

- May 7, 2008: Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.
- May 6, 2008: Considered as unfinished business. (consideration: CR H3087-3088)
- May 6, 2008: Passed/agreed to in House: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended Agreed to by recorded vote (2/3 required): 413 1 (Roll no. 251).(text: CR 5/5/2008 H3031)
- May 6, 2008: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended Agreed to by recorded vote (2/3 required): 413 1 (Roll no. 251). (text: CR 5/5/2008 H3031)
- May 6, 2008: Mr. Rogers (KY) moved to reconsider the vote.
- May 6, 2008: Mr. Hastings (FL) moved to table the motion to reconsider the vote (consideration: CR H3087-3088)
- May 6, 2008: On motion to table the motion to reconsider the vote Agreed to by recorded vote: 225 190 (Roll no. 252).
- May 6, 2008: The title of the measure was amended. Agreed to without objection.
- May 6, 2008: The Clerk was authorized to correct section numbers, punctuation, and cross references, and to make other necessary technical and conforming corrections in the engrossment of H. Con. Res. 317.
- May 5, 2008: Ms. Watson moved to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended.
- May 5, 2008: Considered under suspension of the rules. (consideration: CR H3031-3034)
- May 5, 2008: DEBATE The House proceeded with forty minutes of debate on H. Con. Res. 317.
- May 5, 2008: At the conclusion of debate, the chair put the question on the motion to suspend the rules. Mr. Lewis (CA) objected to the vote on the grounds that a quorum was not present. Further proceedings on the motion were postponed. The point of no quorum was withdrawn.
- Apr 30, 2008: Committee Consideration and Mark-up Session Held.
- Apr 30, 2008: Committee Agreed to Seek Consideration Under Suspension of the Rules, by Unanimous Consent.
- Mar 14, 2008: Introduced in House
- Mar 14, 2008: Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.