

SRES 541

A resolution supporting humanitarian assistance, protection of civilians, accountability for abuses in Somalia, and urging concrete progress in line with the Transitional Federal Charter of Somalia toward the establishment of a viable government of national unity.

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** WI • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (8 total)

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Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Apr 29, 2008
Sen. Coleman, Norm [R-MN]	R · MN		Apr 29, 2008
Sen. Hagel, Chuck [R-NE]	R · NE		Apr 29, 2008
Sen. Klobuchar, Amy [D-MN]	D · MN		Apr 29, 2008
Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]	D · MA		May 6, 2008
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		May 6, 2008
Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT]	D · CT		May 15, 2008
Sen. Snowe, Olympia J. [R-ME]	R · ME		May 15, 2008

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Discharged From	May 22, 2008

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary has been expanded because action occurred on the measure.)

Expresses the sense of the Senate that: (1) the United States remains committed to the people of Somalia and to helping build the institutions necessary for a stable and peaceful nation; and (2) the President, in partnership with the African Union, the United Nations, and the international community, should provide humanitarian assistance, ensure accountability for parties responsible for violations of human rights and international humanitarian law in Somalia, and call on all parties to recommit to an inclusive dialogue to promote peace and security in Somalia and across the Horn of Africa.

Urges the governments of Ethiopia and of Eritrea to assist in helping to bring about stability to Somalia.

States that the Transitional Federal government should: (1) take necessary steps to protect civilians from dangers related to military operations; (2) recommit to the Transitional Federal Charter; and (3) agree to participate in an inclusive political process towards the formation of a government of national unity based on the principles of democracy, accountability, and the rule of law.

Actions Timeline

- **May 21, 2008:** Senate Committee on Foreign Relations discharged by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S4705-4706)
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- **May 21, 2008:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Resolution agreed to in Senate without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent.(text: CR S4705-4706)
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- **Apr 29, 2008:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 29, 2008:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S3516)
- **Apr 29, 2008:** Referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (text of measure as introduced: CR S3515-3516)