

SRES 405

A resolution reaffirming the centrality of freedom of expression and press freedom as cornerstones of United States foreign policy and United States efforts to promote individual rights, and for other purposes.

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Committee Activity

No committee referrals or activity are recorded for this bill.

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

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Summary (as of Feb 2, 2010)

Reaffirms the centrality of the freedoms of expression and the press as cornerstones of U.S. foreign policy and U.S. efforts to promote individual rights.

Expresses concern over official efforts in many countries to restrict speech and expression, including attempts to restrict Internet access.

Welcomes the diplomatic initiative announced by Secretary of State Clinton to encourage Internet freedom globally.

Condemns the cyber attacks allegedly launched from China against Google and other companies and calls on the government of China to review such cyber intrusions.

Urges companies to refuse to aid in the curtailment of free expression.

Calls on the President and the Secretary to develop means by which the U.S. government can rapidly respond to threats against the freedoms of press and expression.

Actions Timeline

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