

SRES 526

A resolution calling for all parties to respect the arbitral tribunal ruling with regard to the South China Sea and to express United States policy on freedom of navigation and overflight in the East and South China Seas.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 12, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HRES 830	Identical bill	Sep 7, 2016: Referred to the Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific.

Summary (as of Jul 12, 2016)

Expresses support for the July 12, 2016, ruling issued by the International Tribunal of the Law of the Sea as binding on all parties in the case brought at the request of the Republic of Philippines against China concerning a dispute over the maritime jurisdiction in the South China Sea. Calls on all claimants to pursue peaceful resolution of outstanding maritime claims in the South China Sea consistent with international law.

Urges all parties to implement the Declaration on the Conduct of Parties in the South China Sea and to take steps toward early conclusion of a meaningful Code of Conduct.

Opposes actions in the South China Sea to change the status quo by coercion or force.

Calls on China to cease all reclamation and militarization activities in the South China Sea and end provocative actions in the East China Sea.

Reaffirms: (1) Article V of the Mutual Defense Treaty Between the United States and the Philippines, and (2) Article V of the Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security between the United States and Japan.

Urges: (1) the Department of State to utilize all diplomatic channels to communicate U.S. support for freedom of navigation and overflight in the South China Sea, and (2) the Department of Defense to enforce freedom of navigation and overflight in the East and South China Seas.

Actions Timeline

- **Jul 12, 2016:** Introduced in Senate
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