

SRES 157

A resolution recognizing that for 50 years, the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) and its ten members-Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, and Vietnam-have worked toward stability, prosperity, and peace in Southeast Asia.

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
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Subjects & Policy Tags

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International Affairs

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HRES 311	Related bill	Sep 27, 2017: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

Summary (as of May 4, 2017)

Welcomes the leaders of the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) to the United States for the meetings with the Secretary of State and members of Congress and affirms the meeting as the first of regular U.S.-ASEAN meetings.

Supports: (1) the elevation of the U.S.-ASEAN relationship to a strategic partnership; and (2) efforts by U.S. partners and allies in ASEAN to enhance maritime capability and maritime domain awareness, protect unhindered access to and use of international waterways in the Asia-Pacific region, counter piracy, disrupt illicit maritime trafficking activities, and enhance the maritime capabilities of countries or regional organizations to respond to emerging threats to maritime security in the Asia-Pacific region.

Recommits the United States to ASEAN centrality and to helping to build a politically cohesive, economically integrated, and socially responsible ASEAN community.

Reaffirms: (1) the enhancement of U.S.-ASEAN economic engagement, and (2) the U.S. commitment to continue joint efforts with ASEAN to halt human smuggling and trafficking in persons.

Encourages the President to communicate to ASEAN leaders the importance of protecting human rights, ending extrajudicial killings, strengthening civil society, safeguarding freedom of the press, the freedom of assembly, and the free flow of information and ideas, and promoting the rule of law and open and transparent government.

Actions Timeline

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