

SRES 174

A resolution condemning the human rights record of the Government of the Kingdom of Eswatini and the brutal killing of Eswatini activist Thulani Maseko on January 21, 2023.

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Sponsor

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

Cosponsors (4 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Apr 26, 2023
Sen. Risch, James E. [R-ID]	R · ID		Apr 26, 2023
Sen. Scott, Tim [R-SC]	R · SC		Apr 27, 2023
Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]	D · IL		Jun 13, 2023

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Foreign Relations Committee	Senate	Reported By	Jun 12, 2023

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

International Affairs

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

This resolution condemns the murder of Eswatini human rights lawyer Thulani Maseko and expresses concern about reports of continued human rights violations in Eswatini.

The resolution also calls on Eswatini (1) to fully investigate the murder, (2) to uphold human rights and freedoms, (3) to engage in a national dialogue regarding democratic reforms, and (4) to fully staff and empower Commission of Human Rights and Public Accountability (CHRPA) investigators. It also calls on the United Nations High Commissioner on Human Rights to conduct an independent investigation and encourages the Department of State and the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) to maintain and to expand support for human rights in Eswatini.

Actions Timeline

- **May 22, 2024:** Star Print ordered on the resolution.
- **Apr 15, 2024:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent.
- **Apr 15, 2024:** The committee substitute as amended agreed to by Unanimous Consent.
- **Apr 15, 2024:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Resolution agreed to in Senate with an amendment and an amended preamble by Unanimous Consent.
- **Apr 15, 2024:** Resolution agreed to in Senate with an amendment and an amended preamble by Unanimous Consent.
- **Jun 12, 2023:** Committee on Foreign Relations. Reported by Senator Menendez with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and with an amended preamble. Without written report.
- **Jun 12, 2023:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 92.
- **Jun 8, 2023:** Committee on Foreign Relations. Ordered to be reported with amendments favorably.
- **Apr 26, 2023:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 26, 2023:** Referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (text: CR S1390-1391)