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Regarding the use of United States Armed Forces as part of a NATO peacekeeping operation implementing a Kosovo peace agreement.

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1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring),*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This resolution may be cited as the “Peacekeeping
5 Operations in Kosovo Resolution”.



1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

2 The Congress makes the following findings:

3 (1) The conflict in Kosovo has caused great
4 human suffering and, if permitted to continue, could
5 threaten the peace of Europe.

6 (2) The Government of Serbia and representa-
7 tives of the people of Kosovo may agree in Ram-
8 bouillet, France, to end the conflict in Kosovo.

9 (3) Former Senator Robert Dole recently trav-
10 eled to the region to meet with the Kosovar Alba-
11 nians and deliver a message from President Clinton
12 encouraging all parties to reach an agreement to end
13 the conflict in Kosovo.

14 (4) Representatives of the Government of Ser-
15 bia and representatives of the Kosovar Albanians are
16 scheduled to reconvene in France on March 15,
17 1999.

18 (5) President Clinton has promised to deploy
19 approximately 4,000 United States Armed Forces
20 personnel to Kosovo as part of a North Atlantic
21 Treaty Organization (NATO) peacekeeping oper-
22 ation implementing a Kosovo peace agreement.

23 **SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION FOR DEPLOYMENT OF UNITED**
24 **STATES ARMED FORCES TO KOSOVO.**

25 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the limitations in sub-
26 section (b) the President is authorized to deploy United

1 States Armed Forces personnel to Kosovo as part of a
2 NATO peacekeeping operation implementing a Kosovo
3 peace agreement.

4 (b) REPORTS TO CONGRESS.—The President should,
5 before ordering the deployment of any United States
6 Armed Forces personnel to Kosovo do each of the follow-
7 ing:

8 (1) Personally and in writing submit to the
9 Congress—

10 (A) a detailed statement explaining the na-
11 tional interest of the United States at risk in
12 the Kosovo conflict; and

13 (B) a certification to the Congress that all
14 United States Armed Forces personnel so de-
15 ployed pursuant to subsection (a) will be under
16 the operational control only of United States
17 Armed Forces military officers.

18 (2) Submit to the Congress a detailed report
19 that—

20 (A) in classified and unclassified form ad-
21 dresses the amount and nature of the military
22 resources of the United States, in both person-
23 nel and equipment, that will be required for
24 such deployment;

1 (B) outlines and explains the military exit
2 strategy that would control the withdrawal of
3 United States Armed Forces personnel from
4 Kosovo;

5 (C) certifies the chain of command for any
6 such deployed United States Armed Forces per-
7 sonnel; and

8 (D) provides the percentage of United
9 States Armed Forces participating in any
10 NATO deployment in the Kosovo peacekeeping
11 operation, including ground troops, air support,
12 logistics support, and intelligence support, com-
13 pared to the other NATO nations participating
14 in that operation.

15 (3) Submit to the Congress a detailed report
16 that—

17 (A) in classified and unclassified form ad-
18 dresses the impact on military readiness of such
19 deployment;

20 (B) provides the timeframe in which with-
21 drawal of all United States Armed Forces per-
22 sonnel from Kosovo could reasonably be ex-
23 pected;

24 (C) in classified and unclassified form pro-
25 vides an unambiguous explanation of the rules

1 of engagement under which all United States
2 Armed Forces personnel participating in the
3 Kosovo NATO peacekeeping operation shall op-
4 erate; and

5 (D) in classified and unclassified form pro-
6 vides the budgetary impact for fiscal year 1999
7 and each fiscal year thereafter for the next five
8 fiscal years on the Department of Defense, and
9 each of the military services in particular; on
10 the Intelligence Community; and on the Depart-
11 ment of State as a result of any such deploy-
12 ment.

13 (4) Submit in classified form, to the Speaker,
14 the Minority Leader, the Permanent Select Commit-
15 tee on Intelligence, and the Committee on Armed
16 Services of the House of Representatives; and the
17 Majority and Minority Leaders, the Select Commit-
18 tee on Intelligence, and the Armed Services Commit-
19 tee of the Senate, a detailed report that addresses
20 the threats attendant to any such deployment and
21 the nature and level of force protection required for
22 such deployment.

23 (5) Submit to the Speaker, Minority Leader,
24 and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
25 of the House of Representatives; and the Majority

1 and Minority Leaders and the Select Committee on
2 Intelligence of the Senate a detailed report that
3 addresses—

4 (A) any intelligence sharing arrangement
5 that has been established as a result of the
6 Kosovo peace agreement;

7 (B) the intelligence sharing arrangement
8 that currently exists within NATO and how
9 such arrangement would be modified, if at all,
10 in the Kosovo context; and

11 (C) whether Russian participation in a
12 Kosovo peacekeeping deployment alongside
13 NATO forces will affect, impede, or hinder any
14 such intelligence sharing arrangement.

15 (6) Submit to the Congress a detailed report on
16 the scope of the mission of the United States Armed
17 Forces personnel.

18 (7) Submit to the Congress a detailed report
19 prepared by the Secretary of State that—

20 (A) outlines and explains the diplomatic
21 exit strategy that would control the withdrawal
22 of United States Armed Forces personnel from
23 Kosovo;

24 (B) outlines and explains the means and
25 methodologies by which verification of compli-

1 ance with the terms of any Kosovo peace agree-
2 ment will be determined; and

3 (C) in classified and unclassified form, ex-
4 plains the terms and conditions included in any
5 peace agreement reached with respect to the
6 Kosovo conflict. Such report should include—

7 (i) a detailed discussion and expla-
8 nation of any side agreement, whether or
9 not all parties to the overall peace agree-
10 ment are aware of the side agreement;

11 (ii) a detailed discussion and expla-
12 nation of any obligations of the United
13 States arising from the peace agreement,
14 including any such obligations with respect
15 to the introduction of weapons into Kosovo
16 and Serbia;

17 (iii) a detailed discussion and expla-
18 nation of any military arrangements, in
19 addition to the NATO deployment, to
20 which the United States has agreed to un-
21 dertake as a result of the Kosovo peace
22 agreement;

23 (iv) a detailed discussion and expla-
24 nation of the funding source for any future

1 plebiscite or referendum on independence
2 for Kosovo; and

3 (v) a detailed discussion and expla-
4 nation of any requirement for forces par-
5 ticipating in the NATO peacekeeping oper-
6 ation implementing the peace agreement to
7 enforce any provision of such peace agree-
8 ment.

9 **SEC. 4. LIMITATION.**

10 The authorization in section 3 is subject to the limita-
11 tion that the number of United States Armed Forces per-
12 sonnel participating in a deployment described in that sec-
13 tion may not exceed 15 percent of the total NATO force
14 deployed to Kosovo in the peacekeeping operation de-
15 scribed in that section, except that such percentage may
16 be exceeded if the President determines that United States
17 forces or United States citizens are in danger and notifies
18 Congress of that determination.

Passed the House of Representatives March 11,
1999.

Attest:

Clerk.