

**ALEXANDER PARITSKY—U.S. SUPPORT FOR
RELEASE FROM PRISON IN U.S.S.R.**Dec. 15, 1981
[H. Con. Res. 215]

Whereas the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights guarantee to all citizens the rights to freedom of religion, the right to hold opinions without interference, the right to freedom of expression, and the right to emigrate;

Whereas the Final Act of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe commits the signatory nations to respect individual rights and freedom, specifically the right to immigrate to the country of one's choice to rejoin their relatives;

Whereas the Soviet Union has signed the Final Act of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, is a party to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and has ratified the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights;

Whereas Alexander Paritsky and his family first applied to emigrate from the Soviet Union in 1976 and have been repeatedly denied permission;

Whereas Alexander Paritsky was dismissed from his position as a scientist at the Kharkov Institute for Metrology in 1977 as a direct result of requesting permission to emigrate;

Whereas Alexander Paritsky and his family have been continually harassed by Soviet authorities as a result of his involvement in the Kharkov Jewish University;

Whereas Soviet officials have confiscated numerous books, letters, and medicines from the Paritsky's apartment;

Whereas Soviet officials have published slanderous articles in the Kharkov press accusing Alexander Paritsky of black marketeering and racism;

Whereas Dorina Paritsky, aged fifteen, has been harshly interrogated by Soviet investigators at her school and told to denounce her family;

Whereas Paulina Paritsky has been threatened with arrest and informed that she will lose custody of her two daughters;

Whereas Alexander Paritsky was arrested on August 28 and charged with anti-Soviet agitation and propaganda;

Whereas Alexander Paritsky is scheduled to be tried by Soviet officials on November 11 and has been denied the legal counsel of his choice; and

Whereas Paulina Paritsky was forcefully prevented from obtaining an independent lawyer for her husband: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That it is the sense of the Congress that the President, acting directly or through the Secretary of State, should—

(1) continue to express at every suitable opportunity and in the strongest terms the opposition of the United States Government to the imprisonment of Alexander Paritsky;

(2) urge the Government of the Soviet Union to—

(A) release Alexander Paritsky from prison,

(B) halt all further harassment of Alexander Paritsky and his family, and

(C) permit Alexander, Paulina, Dorina, and Anna Paritsky to emigrate to Israel to join their relatives, in accordance with the Final Act of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights; and

(3) inform the Government of the Soviet Union that the Government of the United States, in evaluating its relations with other countries, will take into account the extent to which such countries honor their commitments under international law, especially commitments with respect to the protection of human rights.

SEC. 2. The Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this concurrent resolution to the President with the request that he further transmit such copy to the Ambassador of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United States.

Agreed to December 15, 1981.

GENERAL EXPLANATION OF THE ECONOMIC RECOVERY TAX ACT OF 1981

Dec. 16, 1981

[S. Con. Res. 54]

Printing of
copies.

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That three thousand copies of the General Explanation of the Economic Recovery Tax Act of 1981, prepared by the staff of the Joint Committee on Taxation, be printed for the use of the Joint Committee on Taxation.

Agreed to December 16, 1981.

INVESTIGATION OF SENATOR HARRISON A. WILLIAMS, JR., COMMITTEE PRINT

Dec. 16, 1981

[S. Con. Res. 56]

Reprints for
committee use.

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That there shall be reprinted for the use of the Senate Select Committee on Ethics three hundred copies of its committee print entitled "Investigation of Senator Harrison A. Williams, Jr.: Response of Senator Williams to Report of the the Select Committee on Ethics on S. Res. 204", Ninety-seventh Congress, first session, September 18, 1981.

Agreed to December 16, 1981.

ADJOURNMENT—HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATE

Dec. 16, 1981

[S. Con. Res. 57]

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That the two Houses of Congress shall adjourn on Wednesday,