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Condemning the Democratic People's Republic of Korea for its announcement that it has restarted a nuclear reactor at Yongbyon and for the provocation caused by the interception of a United States Air Force reconnaissance plane by North Korean military aircraft.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 6, 2003

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Condemning the Democratic People's Republic of Korea for its announcement that it has restarted a nuclear reactor at Yongbyon and for the provocation caused by the interception of a United States Air Force reconnaissance plane by North Korean military aircraft.

Whereas the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (commonly referred to as the “Non-Proliferation Treaty” or “NPT”) is the most widely accepted international arms control agreement;

Whereas signatories of the NPT are committed to preventing the spread of nuclear weapons and weapons technology, promoting cooperation in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy, and achieving nuclear disarmament and general and complete disarmament;

Whereas on December 12, 1985, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (North Korea) signed the NPT;

Whereas in the Agreed Framework between the United States of America and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, signed in Geneva on October 21, 1994, North Korea pledged to freeze its existing nuclear program;

Whereas restarting the nuclear reactor at the Yongbyon facility constitutes a material breach of the NPT and the Agreed Framework;

Whereas on March 3, 2003, four North Korean military aircraft intercepted an unarmed United States Air Force reconnaissance plane in international air space; and

Whereas this incident further exacerbates the crisis between North Korea and the United States: Now, therefore, be it

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

3 (1) calls on North Korea to honor its commit-
4 ments and obligations under the Treaty on the Non-
5 Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons;

6 (2) calls on North Korea to honor its commit-
7 ments and obligations under the Agreed Framework
8 between the United States of America and the Demo-
9 cratic People's Republic of Korea, signed in Geneva
10 on October 21, 1994;

11 (3) calls on North Korea to refrain from fur-
12 ther acts of provocation against United States air-
13 craft;

1 (4) calls on the United States to return to an
2 interim level of compliance with the Agreed Frame-
3 work; and

4 (5) calls on member states of the United Na-
5 tions to join the United States and condemn the ac-
6 tions of North Korea.

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