

109TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. CON. RES. 405

Opposing any agreement between the Government of the United States and the Government of Nigeria to deploy United States Armed Forces to Nigeria.

---

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 17, 2006

Ms. MCKINNEY submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

---

## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Opposing any agreement between the Government of the United States and the Government of Nigeria to deploy United States Armed Forces to Nigeria.

Whereas the people of the Federal Republic of Nigeria have the right to live in a pristine and sound environmental area;

Whereas a public challenge to the environmental damage done by multinational oil developers from companies that supply Nigerian oil to the United States led to the imprisonment and execution of organizer Ken Saro-Wiwa by the corrupt Government of Nigeria in 1995;

Whereas President George W. Bush, in his State of the Union Address on January 31, 2006, said, “Keeping America competitive requires affordable energy. And here we have a serious problem: America is addicted to oil,

which is often imported from unstable parts of the world.”;

Whereas Nigeria ranks fifth among all foreign suppliers of oil to the United States;

Whereas Department of Defense sources have confirmed that Department of Defense officials are reviewing an agreement between the United States and Nigeria that would authorize the deployment of United States Marines to Nigeria in order to protect oil reserves and facilities in Nigeria due to the growing battle between the armed forces of Nigeria and insurgents in that country;

Whereas armed conflict in the Niger Delta region has reportedly stalled plans that United States military officials have to deploy United States Marines to the region;

Whereas United States Armed Forces are reportedly taxed already by current deployments abroad, reduced enlistment and retention, and depleting equipment and resources; and

Whereas the sovereignty of both Nigeria and the United States should be respected by opposing the introduction of any members of the United States Armed Forces into Nigeria: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*  
 2       *concurring)*, That Congress opposes any agreement be-  
 3       tween the Government of the United States and the Gov-  
 4       ernment of the Federal Republic of Nigeria to deploy  
 5       United States Armed Forces to Nigeria in order to protect

- 1 oil reserves and facilities in Nigeria or for any other pur-
- 2 pose.

