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H. RES. 536

Expressing condolences to the people and Government of Nigeria for the loss of life suffered in the crash of a Nigerian passenger jet on October 22 and the tragic death of Stella Obasanjo, wife of Nigerian President Olusegun Obasanjo, at a hospital in Spain on October 23, 2005.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 4, 2005

Mr. PAYNE (for himself, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. RANGEL, Ms. KILPATRICK of Michigan, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Ms. CARSON, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, Mr. TOWNS, Ms. MCCOLLUM of Minnesota, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. WYNN, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. OWENS, and Ms. WATERS) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

RESOLUTION

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Whereas on October 22, 2005, a passenger jet en route from Lagos to the Nigerian capital of Abuja crashed shortly after takeoff;

Whereas all 111 passengers and six crew members of Bellview Airlines Flight 210 perished in the crash;

Whereas the pilot of Bellview Airlines Flight 210 reportedly sent a distress call approximately three minutes after takeoff;

Whereas, according to the Nigerian Aviation Minister, the crash may have been a result of an explosion onboard the aircraft; and

Whereas on October 23, 2005, Stella Obasanjo, wife of Nigerian President Olusegun Obasanjo, died from complications resulting from surgery at a hospital in Spain: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) expresses condolences to the people and
3 Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria for
4 the tragic loss of life suffered in the crash of
5 Bellview Airlines Flight 210 on October 22 and the
6 tragic death of Stella Obasanjo, wife of Nigerian
7 President Olusegun Obasanjo, at a hospital in Spain
8 on October 23, 2005; and

9 (2) urges the Government of the United States
10 to provide assistance to the Government of Nigeria
11 in the investigation to determine the cause and re-
12 sponsibility of the crash of Bellview Airlines Flight
13 210.

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