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Demanding the return of the U.S.S. Pueblo to the United States Navy.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. ALLARD submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the
Committee on Foreign Relations

RESOLUTION

Demanding the return of the U.S.S. Pueblo to the United
States Navy.

Whereas the U.S.S. Pueblo, which was attacked and captured
by the North Korean Navy on January 23, 1968, was the
first United States Navy ship to be hijacked on the high
seas by a foreign military force in over 150 years;

Whereas 1 member of the U.S.S. Pueblo crew, Duane
Hodges, was killed in the assault while the other 82 crew
members were held in captivity, often under inhumane
conditions, for 11 months;

Whereas the U.S.S. Pueblo, an intelligence collection auxiliary vessel, was operating in international waters at the
time of the capture, and therefore did not violate North
Korean territorial waters;

Whereas the capture of the U.S.S. Pueblo resulted in no reprisals against the Government or people of North Korea and no military action at any time; and

Whereas the U.S.S. Pueblo, though still the property of the United States Navy, has been retained by North Korea for more than 30 years, was subjected to exhibition in the North Korean cities of Wonsan and Hungham, and is now on display in Pyongyang, the capital city of North Korea: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) demands the return of the U.S.S. Pueblo to
3 the United States Navy; and

4 (2) directs the Secretary of the Senate to trans-
5 mit copies of this resolution to the President, the
6 Secretary of Defense, and the Secretary of State.

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