110TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. RES. 638

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 6, 2007

Mr. Bilirakis submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United Nations should forthwith take the procedural actions necessary to amend Article 23 of the Charter of the United Nations to establish India as a permanent member of the United Nations Security Council.

- Whereas the United Nations Security Council is charged with maintaining peace and security among the nations of the world;
- Whereas the United Nations Security Council currently has five permanent members;
- Whereas the Republic of India achieved its independence from the British Empire on August 15, 1947, and has

- since that time maintained a democratic system of government;
- Whereas India is the largest democratic country in the world in which all political views are freely expressed and respected;
- Whereas India is the world's second most populous country, with over one billion citizens residing within its borders;
- Whereas India is one of the largest contributors of troops to United Nations-mandated peacekeeping missions; and
- Whereas the people of India have demonstrated a strong commitment to promote the peaceful development of the South Asian region and to global peace: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved, That it is the sense of the House of Rep-
 - 2 resentatives that the United Nations should forthwith take
 - 3 the procedural actions necessary to amend Article 23 of
 - 4 the Charter of the United Nations to establish India as
 - 5 a permanent member of the United Nations Security
 - 6 Council.

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