

110TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# S. RES. 423

Seeking the return of the USS Pueblo to the United States Navy.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 23, 2008

Mr. ALLARD (for himself, Mr. INOUE, Mr. BIDEN, and Mr. SALAZAR)  
submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

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## RESOLUTION

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Navy.

Whereas the USS Pueblo, which was attacked and captured  
by the Navy of North Korea on January 23, 1968, was  
the first ship of the United States Navy to be hijacked  
on the high seas by a foreign military force in more than  
150 years;

Whereas 1 member of the USS Pueblo crew, Duane Hodges,  
was killed in the assault, while the other 82 crew mem-  
bers were held in captivity, often under inhumane condi-  
tions, for 11 months;

Whereas the USS Pueblo, an intelligence collection auxiliary  
vessel, was operating in international waters at the time  
of the capture, and therefore did not violate the terri-  
torial waters of North Korea;

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

Whereas the USS Pueblo, though still the property of the United States Navy, has been retained by the Government of North Korea for 40 years, was subjected to exhibition in the North Korean cities of Wonsan and Hungnam, and is now on display in Pyongyang, the capital city of North Korea: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2               (1) desires the return of the USS Pueblo to the  
3       United States Navy;

4               (2) would welcome the return of the USS Pueblo  
5       as a goodwill gesture from the North Korean people to the American people; and

6               (3) directs the Secretary of the Senate to transmit  
7       copies of this resolution to the President, the  
8       Secretary of Defense, and the Secretary of State.

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