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Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the President should suspend the delivery of F-16 fighter aircraft, M1 tanks, and other defense articles and defense services to the Government of Egypt.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GRIFFIN of Arkansas (for himself, Mr. WESTMORELAND, Mr. BENTIVOLIO, Mr. HUIZENGA of Michigan, Mr. STIVERS, Mr. ROSS, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. LOBIONDO, and Mr. CRAWFORD) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the President should suspend the delivery of F-16 fighter aircraft, M1 tanks, and other defense articles and defense services to the Government of Egypt.

Whereas the shipment of F-16 fighter aircraft to Egypt is scheduled for completed delivery by the end of 2013;

Whereas the agreement to provide these military aircraft to Egypt originated in 2009 when the proposal was brought to Congress for purchase and delivery of these aircraft through the Foreign Military Financing (FMF) Program;

Whereas these aircraft were intended for receipt by the Government of Egypt under the leadership of President Hosni Mubarak;

Whereas in the 3 years it has taken for the procurement of these aircraft, Egypt has undergone significant changes in their government, including a revolution and the installment of a new leader, Mohamed Morsi, a former leader of the Muslim Brotherhood;

Whereas recent and previous statements by President Morsi indicate a clear hostility towards non-Muslims in Egypt as well as towards the United States and its allies—particularly Israel;

Whereas the instability of the region is also evident from the continued anti-government protests that have resulted in at least 50 deaths and hundreds of injuries;

Whereas President Morsi granted emergency powers to the Egyptian military to arrest Egyptian civilians and serve as a police force in the country;

Whereas Congress recognizes and understands the important and delicate nature of the relationship the United States maintains with Egypt, but, given the facts, we believe that United States military support of this newly established government must become conditional;

Whereas referring to Egypt in September 2012, President Obama stated: “I don’t think that we would consider them an ally.”; and

Whereas the Obama Administration has deemed inadequate President Morsi’s apology for his anti-Semitic comments: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the House of Rep-
 2 resentatives that the President should suspend the delivery
 3 of F–16 fighter aircraft, M1 tanks, and other defense arti-
 4 cles and defense services listed in Category VI, VII, or

1 VIII of the United States Munitions List to the Govern-
2 ment of Egypt until the President determines and certifies
3 to Congress that the Government of Egypt—

4 (1) is politically stable as evidenced by a lack
5 of civil unrest and the termination of use of military
6 force against Egyptian citizens;

7 (2) is a full partner in its alliance with the
8 United States; and

9 (3) demonstrates respect for Israel and its peo-
10 ple.

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