

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 16

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2/14 Committee Report-Bill Do Pass
2/16 2nd Reading Do Not Pass
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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 16
 2 INTRODUCED BY Larry Smith, Robb Barlow
 3 Harold HARP, Eugene Peck
 4 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF
 5 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA CONDEMNING HUMAN
 6 RIGHTS ABUSES IN AFGHANISTAN AND THE COUNTRIES OF CENTRAL
 7 AMERICA; CALLING UPON THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE UNION OF SOVIET
 8 SOCIALIST REPUBLICS AND THE UNITED STATES TO CEASE
 9 INTERVENTION IN THESE COUNTRIES; AND SUPPORTING THE RIGHT OF
 10 ALL PEOPLE TO SELF-DETERMINATION.

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 12 WHEREAS, both the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
 13 and the United States are pursuing interventionist policies
 14 that result in the death of innocent civilians, human rights
 15 violations, and the strengthening of repressive regimes; and

16 WHEREAS, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics is
 17 militarily supporting an unpopular government in
 18 Afghanistan; and

19 WHEREAS, this support involves the bombing of villages,
 20 widespread use of terror and torture against the people, and
 21 hundreds of thousands of people being driven from their
 22 homes; and

23 WHEREAS, the United States is militarily supporting
 24 unpopular governments in El Salvador and Guatemala and the
 25 use of terror against the people of Nicaragua; and

1 WHEREAS, this support involves the destruction of
 2 villages; the use of terror, torture, and "death squads"
 3 against the people; hundreds of thousands of people being
 4 driven from their homes; and the violation of international
 5 law through the mining of Nicaraguan harbors; and

6 WHEREAS, these actions by the superpowers run counter
 7 to and endanger our cherished values of democracy and human
 8 rights.

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 10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE
 11 OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

12 That we condemn human rights abuses in Afghanistan and
 13 the countries of Central America and call upon the
 14 governments of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and
 15 the United States to cease intervention in these countries.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we support all people's
 17 right to self-determination.

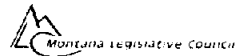
18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State
 19 send a copy of this resolution to:

20 (1) the Premier and the Politburo of the Union of
 21 Soviet Socialist Republics;

22 (2) the President of the United States;

23 (3) the Speaker of the United States House of
 24 Representatives;

25 (4) the President of the United States Senate;



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1 (5) the Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations
2 Committee;

3 (6) the Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs
4 Committee; and

5 (7) the members of the Montana Congressional
6 Delegation.

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RE-REFERRED AND APPROVED BY COMM. ON HUMAN SERVICES AND AGING

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INTRODUCED BY Kaye Smith, Robb Baudano, Lyndee HARP, Brynne Peck

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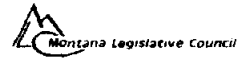
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