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Supporting a resolution to the long-standing dispute regarding Cyprus.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. SIMON, Mr. PRESSLER, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. D'AMATO, and Mr. DODD) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Supporting a resolution to the long-standing dispute
regarding Cyprus.

Whereas the long-standing dispute regarding Cyprus remains
unresolved;

Whereas the military occupation by Turkey of a large part
of the territory of the Republic of Cyprus has continued
for over 20 years;

Whereas the status quo on Cyprus remains unacceptable;

Whereas the United States attaches a great importance to a
just and peaceful resolution of the dispute regarding
Cyprus;

Whereas the United Nations and the United States are using
their good offices to resolve such dispute;

Whereas on January 5, 1995, President Clinton appointed a Special Presidential Emissary for Cyprus;

Whereas the United Nations has adopted numerous resolutions that set forth the basis of a solution for the dispute regarding Cyprus;

Whereas paragraph (2) of United Nations Security Council Resolution 939 of July 29, 1994, reaffirms that a solution must be based on a State of Cyprus with a single sovereignty and international personality, and a single citizenship, with its independence and territorial integrity safeguarded, and comprising two politically equal communities as described in the relevant Security Council Resolutions, in a bicomunal and bizonal federation, and that such a settlement must exclude union in whole or in part with any other country or any form of partition or secession;

Whereas the United Nations Secretary General has described the occupied part of Cyprus as one of the most highly militarized areas in the world;

Whereas the continued overwhelming presence of more than 30,000 Turkish troops on Cyprus hampers the search for a freely negotiated solution to the dispute regarding Cyprus;

Whereas the United Nations and the United States have called for the withdrawal of all foreign troops from the territory of the Republic of Cyprus; and

Whereas comprehensive plans for the demilitarization of the Republic of Cyprus have been proposed: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives*
- 2 *concurring)*, That the Congress—

1 (1) reaffirms that the status quo on Cyprus is
2 unacceptable;

3 (2) welcomes the appointment of a Special
4 Presidential Emissary for Cyprus;

5 (3) expresses its continued strong support for
6 efforts by the United Nations Secretary General and
7 the United States Government to help resolve the
8 Cyprus problem in a just and viable manner at the
9 earliest possible time;

10 (4) insists that all parties to the dispute regard-
11 ing Cyprus agree to seek a solution based upon the
12 relevant United Nations resolutions, including para-
13 graph (2) of the United Nations Security Council
14 Resolution 939 of July 29, 1994;

15 (5) reaffirms the position that all foreign troops
16 should be withdrawn from the territory of the Re-
17 public of Cyprus;

18 (6) considers that demilitarization of the Re-
19 public of Cyprus would meet the security concerns of
20 all parties involved, would enhance prospects for a
21 peaceful and lasting resolution of the dispute regard-
22 ing Cyprus, would benefit all of the people of Cy-
23 prus, and merits international support; and

24 (7) encourages the United Nations Security
25 Council and the United States Government to con-

1 sider alternative approaches to promote a resolution
2 of the long-standing dispute regarding Cyprus based
3 upon relevant Security Council resolutions, including
4 incentives to encourage progress in negotiations or
5 effective measures against any recalcitrant party.

