

A motion to reconsider the votes whereby the rules were suspended and said bill, as amended, was passed and the title was amended was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Clerk notify the Senate thereof.

¶100.47 ISRAELI ELECTIONS

Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA moved to suspend the rules and agree to the following concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 355):

Whereas the Israeli public recently went to the polls to participate in the only fully free and democratic elections in the Middle East;

Whereas Israel has faced serious outside threats to her existence since 1948 and has never compromised the democratic system upon which the nation was founded;

Whereas as a result of democratic elections, a peaceful and orderly transfer of power has taken place;

Whereas the elections and debate leading to them demonstrated to the world the openness and vibrancy of Israeli democracy;

Whereas Israel is actively committed to the absorption of close to 1,000,000 refugees over the next several years;

Whereas Israel remains committed and engaged in the Mid-east peace process and is seeking an acceleration of that process; and

Whereas Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is currently visiting the United States: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Congress—

(1) congratulates the citizens of Israel on concluding fair and open democratic elections;

(2) welcomes Prime Minister Rabin to the United States and applauds his statements and actions encouraging active participation in the search for peace; and

(3) calls upon all parties in the region to actively and seriously engage in the peace process.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. McNULTY, recognized Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA and Mr. BROOMFIELD, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, *viva voce*,

Will the House suspend the rules and agree to said concurrent resolution?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. McNULTY, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the rules were suspended and said concurrent resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the rules were suspended and said concurrent resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in said concurrent resolution.

¶100.48 BOSNIA-HERCEGOVINA SITUATION

Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA moved to suspend the rules and agree to the following resolution (H. Res. 554):

Whereas attempts to bring about a permanent cessation of hostilities precipitated by Serbia and Serbian-backed forces in the independent state of Bosnia-Herzegovina through negotiations have repeatedly failed;

Whereas horrible atrocities are being committed against the civilian population of

Bosnia-Herzegovina, including the "ethnic-cleansing" of regions inhabited by non-Serbs, the forced detention, ill treatment, and torture of persons in internment camps, and other gross violations of internationally recognized human rights;

Whereas officials of the International Committee of the Red Cross have been denied access to prisoner-of-war camps and internment camps throughout Bosnia-Herzegovina even though they are entitled to such access under Article 143 of the 1949 Geneva Convention Relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War;

Whereas United Nations and Red Cross relief convoys carrying much needed supplies of food and medicine are being repeatedly blocked and, in some cases, have been attacked by Serbian-backed forces;

Whereas the United Nations Security Council voted unanimously to dispatch forces to reopen Sarajevo's airport, and the delivery of supplies of humanitarian assistance to the city's beleaguered population has taken place under the protection of these forces with great difficulty;

Whereas the Security Council adopted Resolution 757 imposing economic sanctions on Serbia and Montenegro, and also endorsed the cease-fire plan negotiated by the envoy of the European Community which would place all heavy weapons in the possession of factions in Bosnia-Herzegovina under international supervision;

Whereas the President of the democratically elected Government of Bosnia-Herzegovina has issued urgent appeals for immediate assistance from the international community;

Whereas the situation in Sarajevo and elsewhere in Bosnia-Herzegovina has reached a critical point requiring immediate and decisive action by the international community; and

Whereas the absence of immediate and decisive action by the international community against aggression in Bosnia-Herzegovina could encourage the spread of violent conflict elsewhere in the former Yugoslavia and the Balkans generally, as well as in other regions plagued by ethnic tensions: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved,

SECTION 1. SUPPORT FOR DECISIVE ACTION.

The House of Representatives supports President Bush's statement of August 6, 1992, and commends him—

(1) for taking decisive steps to put pressure on Serbia to stop the conflict, including through—

(A) the diplomatic and political isolation of Serbia,

(B) the strict enforcement of sanctions provided for in United Nations Security Council Resolution 757,

(C) the implementation of the Security Council-endorsed plan to place heavy weapons belonging to all factions in Bosnia-Herzegovina under United Nations supervision, and

(D) the resumption of peace talks among all parties to the conflict; and

(2) for urging the United Nations Security Council to authorize measures, including the use of military force, necessary to ensure the provision of humanitarian relief to the people of Bosnia-Herzegovina.

SEC. 2. ADDITIONAL STEPS TO ADDRESS THE CRISIS.

The House of Representatives urges the United Nations Security Council to consider means by which—

(1) United Nations and International Committee of the Red Cross personnel shall be granted immediate, unimpeded, and continuous access to all refugee camps, prisoner-of-war camps, internment camps, and other places of detention in all of the republics of

the former Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia; and

(2) civilians in Bosnia-Herzegovina shall be protected from the use of force and violations of the laws of war.

SEC. 3. INTERNATIONAL WAR CRIMES TRIBUNAL.

It is the sense of the House of Representatives that an international tribunal should be convened—

(1) to investigate allegations of war crimes and crimes against humanity committed within the territory of the former Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia; and

(2) to accumulate evidence against, charge, and otherwise prepare the basis for trying, any individual whom the tribunal has probable cause to believe is responsible for or committed such crimes.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. McNULTY, recognized Mr. FALEOMAVAEGA and Mr. BROOMFIELD, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, *viva voce*,

Will the House suspend the rules and agree to said resolution?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Ms. DELAURO, announced that two-thirds of the Members present had voted in the affirmative.

So, two-thirds of the Members present having voted in favor thereof, the rules were suspended and said resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby the rules were suspended and said resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

¶100.49 ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Mr. ROSE, from the Committee on House Administration, reported that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 2926. An Act to amend the Act of May 17, 1954, relating to the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial to authorize increased funding for the East Saint Louis portion of the Memorial, and for other purposes;

H.R. 2977. An Act to authorize appropriations for public broadcasting, and for other purposes; and

H.R. 3795. An Act to amend title 28, United States Code, to establish three divisions in the Central Judicial District of California.

¶100.50 SENATE ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The SPEAKER announced his signature to enrolled bills of the Senate of the following titles:

S. 1770. An Act to convey certain surplus real property located in the Black Hills National Forest to the Black Hills Workshop and Training Center, and for other purposes; and

S. 2079. An Act to establish the Marsh-Billings National Historical Park in the State of Vermont, and for other purposes.

¶100.51 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to Mr. HYDE, for today and August 12.

And then,

¶100.52 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. HOYER, pursuant to the special order heretofore agreed to, at 9 o'clock and 58 minutes p.m., the House adjourned until 9 o'clock a.m. on Wednesday, August 12, 1992.