

NOT VOTING—15

Archer	Delahunt	John
Bartlett	Frost	Mollohan
Becerra	Goodling	Morella
Bilbray	Horn	Reyes
Capps	Hunter	Saxton

So the resolution was agreed to.

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

21.19 REGARDING DEPLOYMENT OF TROOPS IN KOSOVO

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BURR, pursuant to House Resolution 103 and rule XVIII, declared the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 42) regarding the use of United States Armed Forces as part of the NATO peacekeeping operation implementing a Kosovo peace agreement.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. BURR, by unanimous consent, designated Mr. THORNBERRY as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole; and after some time spent therein,

Decision of the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole:

“The gentleman from New York [Mr. GILMAN] makes the point of order that the amendment offered by the gentleman from Connecticut [Mr. GEJDENSON] is not germane.

“The concurrent resolution authorizes the President to deploy United States Armed Forces to implement a Kosovo peace agreement. Its provisions fall exclusively within the jurisdiction of the Committee on International Relations. That committee has jurisdiction over ‘intervention abroad’, which includes the deployment of armed forces by the President. Conditions, limitations or other attributes of such deployment are within the ambit of ‘intervention abroad’.

“The amendment offered by the gentleman from Connecticut includes a provision declaring the support of Congress for the armed forces who are carrying out their missions in the Balkan region. As evidenced by the referral of House Resolution 306 in the 104th Congress which was considered by the House, such a provision falls within the jurisdiction of both the Committee on Armed Services and the Committee on International Relations. The sentiment contained in section 3 of the amendment is not a condition, limitation or attribute of the deployment of armed forces in Kosovo.

“As noted in section 798a and 798c of the House Rules and Manual of the 105th Congress, to be germane, an amendment must relate to the same subject matter and the same jurisdiction as are addressed in the concurrent resolution. The Chair finds that the amendment fails both of these long-standing tests. Therefore, the Chair holds that the amendment is not germane. Accordingly, the point of order is sustained.”.

21.20 RECORDED VOTE

A recorded vote by electronic device was ordered in the Committee of the Whole on the question raised by an appeal in the Committee, to wit: “Shall the following decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the Committee?”.

It was decided in the { Yeas 218
affirmative } Nays 205

21.21 [Roll No. 47] AYES—218

Aderholt	Gilchrest	Packard
Archer	Gillmor	Paul
Armey	Gilman	Pease
Bachus	Goodlatte	Peterson (PA)
Baker	Goodling	Petri
Ballenger	Goss	Pickering
Barr	Graham	Pitts
Barrett (NE)	Granger	Pombo
Bartlett	Grass	Porter
Barton	Greenwood	Portman
Bass	Gutknecht	Pryce (OH)
Bateman	Hansen	Radanovich
Bereuter	Hastings (WA)	Ramstad
Biggett	Hayes	Regula
Bilirakis	Hayworth	Reynolds
Bliley	Hefley	Riley
Blunt	Herger	Rogan
Boehlert	Hill (MT)	Rogers
Boehner	Hilleary	Rohrabacher
Bonilla	Hobson	Ros-Lehtinen
Bono	Hoeckstra	Roukema
Brady (TX)	Horn	Royce
Bryant	Hostettler	Ryan (WI)
Burr	Houghton	Ryun (KS)
Burton	Hulshof	Salmon
Buyer	Hunter	Sanford
Callahan	Hutchinson	Saxton
Calvert	Hyde	Scarborough
Camp	Isakson	Schaffer
Campbell	Istook	Sensenbrenner
Canady	Jenkins	Sessions
Cannon	Johnson (CT)	Shadegg
Castle	Johnson, Sam	Shaw
Chabot	Jones (NC)	Shays
Chambliss	Kasich	Sherwood
Chenoweth	Kelly	Shimkus
Coble	King (NY)	Shuster
Coburn	Kingston	Simpson
Collins	Knollenberg	Skeen
Combest	Kolbe	Smith (MI)
Cook	Kuykendall	Smith (NJ)
Cooksey	LaHood	Smith (TX)
Cox	Largent	Souder
Crane	Latham	Spence
Cubin	LaTourette	Stearns
Cunningham	Lazio	Stump
Davis (VA)	Leach	Sununu
Deal	Lewis (CA)	Sweeney
DeLay	Lewis (KY)	Talent
DeMint	Linder	Tancredo
Diaz-Balart	LoBiondo	Tauzin
Dickey	Lucas (OK)	Taylor (NC)
Doolittle	Manzullo	Terry
Dreier	McCollum	Thomas
Duncan	McCrery	Thornberry
Dunn	McHugh	Thune
Ehlers	McInnis	Tiahrt
Ehrlich	McIntosh	Toomey
Emerson	McKeon	Upton
English	Metcalf	Walden
Everett	Mica	Walsh
Ewing	Miller (FL)	Wamp
Fletcher	Miller, Gary	Watkins
Foley	Moran (KS)	Watts (OK)
Forbes	Morella	Weldon (FL)
Fossella	Myrick	Weldon (PA)
Fowler	Nethercutt	Weller
Franks (NJ)	Ney	Whitfield
Frelinghuysen	Northup	Wicker
Galleghy	Norwood	Wilson
Ganske	Nussle	Wolf
Gekas	Ose	Young (FL)
Gibbons	Oxley	

NOES—205

Abercrombie	Barrett (WI)	Bonior
Ackerman	Bentsen	Borski
Allen	Berkley	Boswell
Andrews	Berman	Boucher
Baird	Berry	Boyd
Baldacci	Bishop	Brady (PA)
Baldwin	Blagojevich	Brown (CA)
Barcia	Blumenauer	Brown (FL)

Brown (OH)	Jefferson	Pelosi
Capuano	Johnson, E. B.	Peterson (MN)
Cardin	Jones (OH)	Phelps
Carson	Kanjorski	Pickett
Clay	Kaptur	Pomeroy
Clayton	Kennedy	Price (NC)
Clement	Kildee	Rahall
Clyburn	Kilpatrick	Rangel
Condit	Kind (WI)	Rivers
Conyers	Klecza	Rodriguez
Costello	Klink	Roemer
Coyne	Kucinich	Rothman
Cramer	LaFalce	Roybal-Allard
Crowley	Lampson	Rush
Cummings	Lantos	Sabo
Danner	Larson	Sanchez
Davis (FL)	Lee	Sanders
Davis (IL)	Levin	Sandin
DeFazio	Lewis (GA)	Sawyer
DeGette	Lipinski	Schakowsky
Delahunt	Lofgren	Scott
DeLauro	Lowey	Serrano
Deutsch	Lucas (KY)	Sherman
Dicks	Luther	Shows
Dingell	Maloney (CT)	Sisisky
Dixon	Maloney (NY)	Skelton
Doggett	Markey	Slaughter
Dooley	Martinez	Smith (WA)
Doyle	Mascara	Snyder
Edwards	Matsui	Spratt
Engel	McCarthy (MO)	Stabenow
Eshoo	McCarthy (NY)	Stark
Etheridge	McDermott	Stenholm
Evans	McGovern	Strickland
Farr	McIntyre	Stupak
Fattah	McKinney	Tanner
Finler	McNulty	Tauscher
Ford	Meehan	Taylor (MS)
Frank (MA)	Meek (FL)	Thompson (CA)
Gejdenson	Meeks (NY)	Thompson (MS)
Gephardt	Menendez	Thurman
Gonzalez	Millender-McDonald	Tierney
Goode	Miller, George	Towns
Gordon	Minge	Trafficant
Green (TX)	Mink	Turner
Gutierrez	Moakley	Udall (CO)
Hall (OH)	Moore	Udall (NM)
Hall (TX)	Moran (VA)	Velazquez
Hastings (FL)	Murtha	Vento
Hill (IN)	Nader	Visclosky
Hilliard	Napolitano	Waters
Hincheey	Neal	Watt (NC)
Hinojosa	Oberstar	Waxman
Hoeffel	Obey	Weiner
Holden	Olver	Wexler
Holt	Ortiz	Weygand
Hooley	Owens	Wise
Hoyer	Pallone	Woolsey
Inslee	Pascrell	Wynn
Jackson (IL)	Pastor	
Jackson-Lee (TX)	Payne	

NOT VOTING—10

Becerra	John	Wu
Bilbray	Mollohan	Young (AK)
Capps	Quinn	
Frost	Reyes	

So the decision of the Chair stood as the judgment of the Committee.

After some further time,

21.22 RECORDED VOTE

A recorded vote by electronic device was ordered in the Committee of the Whole on the following amendment submitted by Mrs. FOWLER to the amendment submitted by Mr. GEJDENSON:

Amendment submitted by Mrs. FOWLER:

Page 1, strike line 1 and all that follows through line 9 and insert the following:

(1) President Clinton is contemplating the introduction of ground elements of the United States Armed Forces to Kosovo as part of a larger North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) operation to conduct peace-making or peacekeeping between warring parties in Kosovo, and these Armed Forces may be subject to foreign command.

(2) Such a deployment, if it were to occur, would in all likelihood require the commitment of United States ground forces for a

minimum of 3 years and cost billions of dollars.

(3) Kosovo, unlike Bosnia, is a province of the Republic of Serbia, a sovereign foreign state.

(4) The deployment of United States ground forces to enforce a peace agreement between warring parties in a sovereign foreign state is not consistent with the prior employment of deadly military force by the United States against either or both of the warring parties in that sovereign foreign state.

(5) The Secretary of Defense, William Cohen, has opposed the deployment of United States ground forces to Kosovo, as reflected in his testimony before the Congress on October 6, 1998.

(6) The deployment of United States ground forces to participate in the peacekeeping operation in Bosnia, which has resulted in the expenditure of more than \$10,000,000,000 by United States taxpayers to date, which has already been extended past 2 previous withdrawal dates established by the administration, and which shows no sign of ending in the near future, clearly argues that the costs and duration of a deployment to Kosovo for peacekeeping purposes will be much heavier and much longer than initially foreseen.

(7) The substantial drain on military readiness of a deployment to Kosovo would be inconsistent with the need, recently acknowledged by the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to reverse the trends which have already severely compromised the ability of the United States Armed Forces to carry out the basic National Military Strategy of the United States.

(8) The Congress has already indicated its considerable concern about the possible deployment of United States Armed Forces to Kosovo, as evidenced by section 8115 of the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 1999 (Public Law 105-262; 112 Stat. 2327), which sets forth among other things a requirement for the President to transmit to the Congress a report detailing the anticipated costs, funding sources, and exit strategy for any additional United States Armed Forces deployed to Yugoslavia, Albania, or Macedonia.

(9) The introduction of United States Armed Forces into hostilities, or into situations where imminent involvement in hostilities may occur, clearly indicates authorization by the Congress when such action is not required for the defense of the United States, its Armed Forces, or its nationals.

(10) United States national security interests in Kosovo do not rise to a level that warrants the introduction of United States ground forces in Kosovo for peacekeeping purposes.

Page 1, strike the second amendatory instructions and insert the following:

Page 1, strike line 8 and all that follows through line 3 on page 2.

Page 2, strike line 4 and all that follows through line 8.

Page 1, line 10, strike "DEPLOYMENT" and insert "LIMITATION ON DEPLOYMENT".

Page 1, line 14, strike "described in (b)" and insert ", subject to the limitation contained in subsection (b)."

Page 2, strike line 1 through line 6 and insert the following:

(b) LIMITATION.—The President is not authorized to deploy ground elements of the United States Armed Forces to Kosovo as part of a North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) operation to implement a peace agreement between the Republic of Serbia and representatives of ethnic Albanians living in the province of Kosovo.

(c) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this concurrent resolution shall be construed—

(1) to prevent United States Armed Forces from taking such actions as the Armed Forces consider necessary for self-defense against an immediate threat emanating from the Republic of Serbia; or

(2) to restrict the authority of the President under the Constitution to protect the lives of United States citizens.

Strike the second line 1 and all that follows:

Amendment submitted by Mr. GEJDENSON:

Page 2, after line 3, insert the following:

(3) Former Senator Robert Dole recently traveled to the region to meet with the Kosovar Albanians and deliver a message from President Clinton encouraging all parties to reach an agreement to end the conflict in Kosovo.

(4) Representatives of the Government of Serbia and representatives of the Kosovar Albanians are scheduled to reconvene in France on March 15, 1999.

Page 2, line 4, strike "(3)" and insert "(5)". Page 2, strike line 9 and all that follows and insert the following:

SEC. 3. DEPLOYMENT OF UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES TO KOSOVO.

(a) DECLARATION OF POLICY RELATING TO INTERIM AGREEMENT.—The Congress urges the President to continue to take measures described in (b) to support the ongoing peace process relating to Kosovo with the objective of reaching a fair and just interim agreement between the Serbian Government and the Kosovar Albanians on the status of Kosovo.

(b) AUTHORIZATION FOR DEPLOYMENT OF ARMED FORCES.—If a fair and just interim agreement described in subsection (a) is reached, the President is authorized to deploy United States Armed Forces personnel to Kosovo as part of a NATO peacekeeping operation implementing such interim agreement.

At the end of the resolution, add the following new section:

SEC. 4. LIMITATION.

The authorization in section 3 is subject to the limitation that the number of United States Armed Forces personnel participating in a deployment described in that section may not exceed 15 percent of the total NATO force deployed to Kosovo in the peacekeeping operation described in that section, except that such percentage may be exceeded if the President determines that United States forces or United States citizens are in danger and notifies Congress of that determination.

It was decided in the negative { Yeas 178 Nays 237 Answered present 2

21.23

[Roll No. 48]

AYES—178

- Aderholt Burton Deal
Andrews Camp DeLay
Archer Campbell DeMint
Arney Canady Dickey
Bachus Cannon Doolittle
Baker Chabot Duncan
Ballenger Chambliss Ehlers
Barr Chenoweth Ehrlich
Barrett (NE) Coble Emerson
Bartlett Coburn English
Barton Collins Everett
Bass Combest Ewing
Bereuter Condit Foley
Bilirakis Cook Fossella
Blunt Cox Fowler
Bonilla Crane Franks (NJ)
Brady (TX) Cubin Gallegly
Bryant Cunningham Ganske
Burr Danner Gibbons

- Gillmor McHugh Schaffer
Goode McInnis Sensenbrenner
Goodlatte McIntosh Sessions
Goodling McKeon Shadegg
Gordon Metcalf Shimkus
Graham Mica Skeen
Granger Miller (FL) Smith (MI)
Greenwood Miller, Gary Smith (TX)
Gutknecht Moran (KS) Souder
Hall (TX) Myrick Spence
Hansen Nethercutt Stearns
Hastings (WA) Ney Stump
Hayes Norwood Sununu
Hayworth Nussle Sweeney
Hefley Packard Talent
Herger Paul Tancredo
Hill (MT) Pease Tauzin
Hilleary Peterson (MN) Taylor (NC)
Hoekstra Peterson (PA) Terry
Horn Petri Thomas
Hostettler Pickering Thornberry
Hulshof Pitts Thune
Hutchinson Pombo Tiahrt
Isakson Pryce (OH) Toomey
Istook Radanovich Traficant
Jenkins Ramstad Upton
Johnson, Sam Reynolds Walden
Jones (NC) Riley Walsh
Kasich Roemer Wamp
Kingston Rogan Watkins
Kuykendall Rogers Watts (OK)
LaHood Rohrabacher Weldon (FL)
Largent Ros-Lehtinen Weldon (PA)
Latham Roukema Weller
Leach Royce Whitfield
Lewis (KY) Ryan (WI) Wicker
LoBiondo Ryun (KS) Wilson
Lucas (OK) Salmon Young (AK)
Manzullo Sanford Young (FL)
McCollum Saxton
McCrery Scarborough

NOES—237

- Ackerman Dooley King (NY)
Allen Doyle Kleczka
Baird Dreier Klink
Baldacci Dunn Knollenberg
Baldwin Edwards Kolbe
Barcia Engel Kucinich
Barrett (WI) Eshoo LaFalce
Bateman Etheridge Lampson
Bentsen Evans Lantos
Berkley Farr Larson
Berman Fattah LaTourette
Berry Filner Lazio
Biggart Fletcher Lee
Bishop Forbes Levin
Blagojevich Ford Lewis (CA)
Bliley Frank (MA) Lewis (GA)
Blumenauer Frelinghuysen Linder
Boehlert Gejdenson Lofgren
Boehner Gekas Lowey
Bonior Gephardt Lucas (KY)
Bono Gilchrest Luther
Borski Gilman Maloney (CT)
Boswell Gonzalez Maloney (NY)
Boucher Goss Markey
Boyd Green (TX) Martinez
Brady (PA) Green (WI) Mascara
Brown (FL) Gutierrez Matsui
Brown (OH) Hall (OH) McCarthy (MO)
Buyer Hastings (FL) McCarthy (NY)
Calvert Hill (IN) McDermott
Capuano Hilliard McGovern
Cardin Hinchey McIntyre
Carson Hinojosa McKinney
Castle Hobson McNulty
Clayton Hoeffel Meehan
Clement Holden Meek (FL)
Clyburn Holt Meeks (NY)
Conyers Hooley Menendez
Cooksey Houghton Millender
Costello Hoyer McDonald
Coyne Hunter Miller, George
Cramer Hyde Minge
Crowley Inslee Mink
Cummings Jackson (IL) Moakley
Davis (FL) Jackson-Lee Mollohan
Davis (IL) (TX) Moore
Davis (VA) Jefferson Moran (VA)
DeFazio Johnson (CT) Morella
DeGette Johnson, E. B. Murtha
Delahunt Jones (OH) Nadler
DeLauro Kanjorski Napolitano
Deutsch Kaptur Neal
Diaz-Balart Kelly Northup
Dicks Kennedy Oberstar
Dingell Kildee Obey
Dixon Kilpatrick Olver
Doggett Kind (WI) Ortiz