

Public Law 89-296

JOINT RESOLUTION

October 27, 1965
[S. J. Res. 32]

To authorize a contribution to certain inhabitants of the Ryukyu Islands for death and injury to persons, and for use of and damage to private property, arising from acts and omissions of the United States Armed Forces, or members thereof, after August 15, 1945, and before April 28, 1962.

Whereas certain persons of the Ryukyu Islands suffered damages incident to the activities of the Armed Forces of the United States, or members thereof, after the surrender of Japanese forces in the Ryukyus on August 15, 1945, and before the effective date of the Treaty of Peace with Japan on April 28, 1952;

3 UST 3169.

Whereas article 19 of the Treaty of Peace with Japan extinguished the legal liability of the United States for any claims of Japanese nationals, including Ryukyuan, with the result that the United States has made no compensation for the above-mentioned damages (except for use of and damage to land during the period from July 1, 1950, to April 28, 1952) ;

Whereas it is particularly consonant with the concern of the United States, as the sole administering authority in the Ryukyu Islands, for the welfare of the Ryukyuan people, that those Ryukyuan who suffered damages incident to the activities of the United States Armed Forces, or members thereof, should be compensated therefor; Whereas payment of ex gratia compensation, by advancing the welfare of the Ryukyuan people, will promote the security interest, foreign policy, and foreign relations of the United States; and

Whereas the High Commissioner of the Ryukyu Islands has considered the evidence regarding these claims, and has determined, in an equitable manner, those claims which are meritorious, and the amounts thereof: Therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the United States should make an ex gratia contribution to the persons (excluding municipalities) determined by the High Commissioner of the Ryukyu Islands to be meritorious claimants, in the amounts determined by him, and that the Secretary of the Army or his designee should, under regulations prescribed by the Secretary of Defense, pay such amounts to the claimants or their legal heirs, as a civil function of the Department of the Army; and be it further

Ryukyu Islands.
U.S. payment
for damage
claims.

Resolved, That no funds appropriated under this joint resolution shall be disbursed to satisfy claims, or portions thereof, which have been satisfied by contributions made by the Government of Japan.

Restriction.

SEC. 2. There is authorized to be appropriated not to exceed \$22,000,000 to carry out the provisions of this joint resolution, which funds are authorized to remain available for two years from the effective date of their appropriation. Any funds unobligated by the end of that period shall be covered into the Treasury of the United States.

Appropriation.

SEC. 3. No remuneration on account of services rendered on behalf of any claimant in connection with any claim shall exceed 5 per centum of the total amount paid, pursuant to the provisions of this joint resolution, on such claim; except that no remuneration on account of such services rendered on behalf of any association of claimants by any agent or attorney (including organizations thereof) shall exceed 1 per centum of the aggregate amount so paid on the claims involved. Fees already paid for such services shall be deducted from the amounts authorized under this joint resolution. Any agreement to the contrary shall be unlawful and void. Whoever, in the United States or elsewhere, demands or receives, on account of services so rendered, any

Fees for legal
services.

Penalty.

remuneration in excess of the maximum permitted by this section, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be fined not more than \$5,000 or imprisoned not more than twelve months, or both.

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AN ACT

October 27, 1965
[H. R. 2853]

To amend title 17, United States Code, with relation to the fees to be charged.

Copyright fees, increase.
62 Stat. 202.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 211 of title 17, United States Code, is amended by substituting the amount "\$75" in lieu of the amount "\$25".

SEC. 2. Section 215 of said title 17, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"FEES.—The Register of Copyrights shall receive, and the persons to whom the services designated are rendered shall pay, the following fees:

"For the registration of a claim to copyright in any work, including a print or label used for articles of merchandise, \$6; for the registration of a claim to renewal of copyright, \$4; which fees shall include a certificate for each registration: *Provided*, That only one registration fee shall be required in the case of several volumes of the same book published and deposited at the same time: *And provided further*, That with respect to works of foreign origin, in lieu of payment of the copyright fee of \$6 together with one copy of the work and application, the foreign author or proprietor may at any time within six months from the date of first publication abroad deposit in the Copyright Office an application for registration and two copies of the work which shall be accompanied by a catalog card in form and content satisfactory to the Register of Copyrights.

"For every additional certificate of registration, \$2.

"For certifying a copy of an application for registration of copyright, and for all other certifications, \$3.

"For recording every assignment, agreement, power of attorney or other paper not exceeding six pages, \$5; for each additional page or less, 50 cents; for each title over one in the paper recorded, 50 cents additional.

"For recording a notice of use, or notice of intention to use, \$3, for each notice of not more than five titles; and 50 cents for each additional title.

"For any requested search of Copyright Office records, works deposited, or other available material, or services rendered in connection therewith, \$5, for each hour of time consumed."

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect thirty days after its enactment.

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Effective date.