

(3) In subsection 7(d) after “those national forest system roadless lands” strike “which were evaluated”.

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## BAHA'IS—UNITED STATES APPEAL TO GOVERNMENT OF IRAN

Whereas more than one hundred and fifty members of the Baha'i faith have been brutally executed by Iranian authorities since the 1979 Islamic revolution;

Whereas many Baha'is in Iran have disappeared and others have been tortured, persecuted, and deprived of their fundamental rights to personal property and employment;

Whereas an edict issued by Iran's Prosecutor General on August 29, 1983, has far-reaching implications that threaten the lives of three hundred thousand Baha'is residing in Iran and places the future practice of Baha'ism in jeopardy by dismantling the administrative structure of the Baha'i religion; and

Whereas these actions for the first time establish an expressed national policy which lays the legal foundation for executions, arrests, the confiscation of property, denial of jobs and pensions, expulsion of Baha'i children from schools, and other pressures which may be brought to bear by Iranian authorities on the Baha'is: Now, therefore, be it

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

(1) holds the Government of Iran responsible for upholding the rights of all its nationals, including the Baha'is;

(2) condemns the recent decision taken by the Government of Iran to destroy the Baha'i faith by labeling as “criminal acts” all Baha'i teaching and organized religious activities, including the attempts by Baha'is to elect their own local and national leaders, to meet in assemblies, to communicate among themselves, and to work for volunteer committees; and

(3) calls upon the President—

(A) to work with appropriate foreign governments and the allies of the United States in forming an appeal to the Government of Iran concerning the Baha'is;

(B) to cooperate fully with the United Nations in its efforts on behalf of the Baha'is and to lead such efforts whenever it is possible and appropriate to do so; and

(C) to provide, and urge others to provide, for humanitarian assistance for those Baha'is who flee Iran.

SEC. 2. The Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy of this concurrent resolution to the President.

Agreed to June 15, 1984.