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H. CON. RES. 644

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 23, 1960

Mr. FOGARTY submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Whereas the rulers of the Soviet Union have repeatedly declared their determination to pursue relentlessly their political, economic, and ideological drive for a worldwide victory for communism; and

Whereas, in its efforts to attain that objective, the Soviet Union, through force of arms, subversion, infiltration, and other methods, has imposed puppet Communist regimes upon the people of the captive nations of Eastern and Central Europe and exerted tireless effort to crush their spirit and to transform their countries into replicas—on political, economic, social, cultural, and administrative levels—of the Soviet Union; and

Whereas, in direct violation of the provisions of the Yalta agreement, the people of the captive nations are still being denied the opportunity to solve their problems by democratic means

and to choose, through free and unfettered elections, national governments of their own free choice; and

Whereas, in contravention of duly ratified treaties of peace, of the Charter of the United Nations, of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and of expressions of the United Nations General Assembly, the people of the captive nations are being systematically deprived of the exercise of fundamental freedoms and basic human rights; and

Whereas the United States of America has consistently refused to sanction, either directly or by implication, the political status quo of the captive nations; and

Whereas the United States of America has stood firmly on the principle of self-determination, welcoming the enlargement of the area of freedom and self-government and insisting on the inalienable right of the people of the captive nations to live under governments of their own choice; and

Whereas the establishment of just and lasting peace is inconceivable without the restoration of freedom, independence, and national sovereignty to the captive people of Eastern and Central Europe, the attainment of which objective the United States of America is determined to pursue by all feasible means: Now, therefore, be it

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

3 (1) the Congress of the United States calls for the
4 respect of the fundamental freedoms and human rights
5 of the people of the captive nations;

6 (2) the Congress of the United States reaffirms

and its belief in the inalienable right of the people of the
 captive nations to live under governments of their own
 choice; and
 (3) the Congress of the United States urges the
 President to pursue energetically at the forthcoming
 summit conference the restoration of the fundamental
 freedoms and basic human rights of the people of the

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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Relating to restoration of freedom to captive
 nations.

By Mr. FOGARTY

MARCH 29, 1960

Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
 concurring), That—
 (1) the Congress of the United States calls for the
 respect of the fundamental freedoms and human rights
 of the people of the captive nations;
 (2) the Congress of the United States reaffirms