

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. Roth and Mr. Tsongas

submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION CONDEMNING SOUTH AFRICA'S ARRESTS AND DETENTIONS OF POLITICAL  
OPPONENTS  
(Insert title of concurrent resolution here)

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

Whereas peace in South Africa can be achieved only through addressing the legitimate political aspirations of the nation's black majority.

Whereas no South African government reform proposal has sought to involve the nation's black majority in the direction of national affairs.

Whereas eligible voter turnout in the recent elections for Asian and "Colored" representatives to a minority parliament was extremely low.

Whereas the South African government has arbitrarily arrested and indefinitely detained approximately 200 peaceful opponents of the government's new constitutional arrangements.

Whereas the South African government has used extra-legal means to redetain men and women already released from detention by a high ranking South African court of law.

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

(1) The United States should not support any South African constitutional reform arrangements which do not begin to address the legitimate political aspirations of the nation's black majority.

(2) The United States Congress condemns the South African government's recent arrests and indefinite detention of peaceful opponents to the government's constitutional arrangements.

(3) The United States Congress is dismayed by the South African government's decision to defy and to bypass the legal rulings of its own high courts in order to suppress lawful political opposition.

(4) The South African government should immediately terminate its practice of arbitrary arrests and detention and should release those men and women who have been arbitrarily imprisoned for having expressed, publicly and peacefully, their political preferences.