

Assembly Joint Resolution No. 76

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 156

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AJR 76, Papan. Just and peaceful resolution of the situation in Cyprus.

This measure would memorialize the President and Congress of the United States to continue their active support for finding a just and lasting solution to the situation in Cyprus within the framework of the parameters and principles set forth in House Concurrent Resolution No. 81 and Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 41, both of the 105th Congress, and United Nations Security Council Resolution 1092, adopted on December 23, 1996, regarding the situation in Cyprus.

WHEREAS, The Republic of Cyprus has been illegally divided and occupied by Turkish forces since 1974 in violation of United Nations resolutions; and

WHEREAS, The international community and the United States government have repeatedly called for the speedy withdrawal of all foreign troops from the territory of Cyprus; and

WHEREAS, There are internationally acceptable means to resolve the situation in Cyprus, including the proposal for the demilitarization of Cyprus and the establishment of a multinational force to ensure the security of both the Greek and Turkish communities in Cyprus, which has been endorsed by the international community including the United States government; and

WHEREAS, It is recognized that the prospect of Cyprus accession to the European Union will serve as a catalyst for resolving the situation in Cyprus; and

WHEREAS, A peaceful, just, and lasting solution to the Cyprus problem would greatly benefit the security and the political, economic, and social well-being of all Cypriots, as well as contribute to improved relations between Greece and Turkey; and

WHEREAS, The United Nations has repeatedly stated the parameters for such a solution, most recently in United Nations Security Council Resolution 1092, adopted on December 23, 1996, with United States support; and

WHEREAS, In spite of unsuccessful high level meetings in 1997 and the United States led mediation efforts in May 1998, the situation has led to a stalemate in the efforts of the international community to reach a Cyprus settlement; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly and Senate of the State of California, jointly, That the solution of the situation in Cyprus must be based on the parameters and principles set forth in House Concurrent Resolution No. 81 and Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 41 both of the 105th Congress and the aforementioned United Nations Security Council Resolution 1092, regarding the situation in Cyprus; and be it further

Resolved, That the Assembly and Senate of the State of California, jointly, call the United States to continue their active support in finding a just, viable, and lasting solution to the Cyprus problem within the United Nations framework and according to the said parameters; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the President and Vice President of the United States, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and to each Senator and Representative from California in the Congress of the United States.

