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| **S.1415-020R** | **DATE INTRODUCED:** May 7th, 2014 |
| **SPONSORED BY:** Senator Efekoro | **COMMITTEE:** N/A |
| **SUBJECT:**  Boko Haram and United Nations Resolution | **COMMITTEE VOTE:** N/A |
| **SENATE VOTE:** Unanimous Consent | **LEGISLATIVE RESULT:** Pass |

**Be it hereby proposed that the following be resolution be adopted:**

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNITED NATIONS TO DECLARE BOKO HARAM AS AN INTERNATIONAL TERRORIST GROUP IN WEST AFRICA**

**WHEREAS, the name of the group is called “Boko Haram”, meaning- western education is a sin; and**

**WHEREAS, the group has been responsible for over 1,500 people killed in Nigeria in 2013 and an estimated over 3,600 people killed by the same group between year 2009 and 2013; and**

**WHEREAS, the manner in which the Boko Haram carries out its killings are acts which are deemed as acts of terrorism, acts which include bombing, slaughtering, sporadic shooting into crowds of innocent civilians; and**

**WHEREAS, Boko Haram has continued to kidnap students and continued to bomb school facilities, government buildings, and places of worships; and**

**WHEREAS, the leader of the Boko Haram sect has claimed responsibility for the kidnapping of over 200 girls from a school dormitory in Nigeria and made threats to sell these young teens into slavery; and**

**WHEREAS, the group not only operates in Nigeria but also in other West African countries, including Chad, Cameroon, and Niger; and**

**WHEREAS, as of November 13, 2013 the United States government has already listed Boko Haram as a foreign terrorist group in West Africa; and**

**WHEREAS, the United Nations is a world organization that is responsible for international conflict resolution and peace-keeping; therefore, be it**

**RESOLVED, that the University at Albany student body, acting through its Student Association, calls on the United Nations to enlist Boko Haram as an international terrorist organization; and also**

**RESOLVED, that the United Nations troops be sent to places were Boko Haram operates, especially to Nigeria to rescue the over 200 students kidnapped in the country as of April 14, 2014 and also to combat the terrorist situation in these countries; and finally**

**RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the United Nations Secretary General Ban Ki-moon, the United States President Barack Obama, the United States Senate, the United States Congress, Amnesty International, ECOWAS, the Nigerian government, the University at Albany President Robert Jones, all possible media outlets, and all other personels or groups who are directly or indirectly involved in the ongoing search for the missing girls in Nigeria.**

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| *Francis Agyemang*, *President* |