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# H. RES. 701

Requesting the President, and directing the Secretary of State, to transmit to the House of Representatives copies of all documents in their possession referring or relating to certain aspects of the United States withdrawal from Afghanistan.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 5, 2021

Mr. McCAUL (for himself, Ms. MALLIOTAKIS, Mrs. WAGNER, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Ms. SALAZAR, Mr. MELJER, Mr. BURCHETT, Mr. GIMENEZ, Mrs. MILLER of Illinois, Mr. PFLUGER, Mrs. KIM of California, Mr. CAWTHORN, Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS, Mr. FITZGERALD, Mrs. SPARTZ, Mr. MOORE of Utah, Mr. ISSA, Mr. BARR, Mr. LATURNER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. MANN, Mrs. MCCLAIN, Mr. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, Mr. GARBARINO, Mrs. STEEL, Mr. JACKSON, Mr. MAST, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. STEUBE, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mrs. FISCHBACH, Mr. GOOD of Virginia, Mr. KINZINGER, Mr. PERRY, Mr. MEUSER, Mr. ZELDIN, Ms. LETLOW, and Mr. GREEN of Tennessee) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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## RESOLUTION

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- 1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives requests
- 2 the President, and directs the Secretary of State, to trans-

1 mit to the House of Representatives, not later than 14  
2 days after the date of the adoption of this resolution, cop-  
3 ies of all documents (including all records, communica-  
4 tions, correspondence (including email), messages (includ-  
5 ing text and instant messages), transcripts, summaries,  
6 agendas, written agreements, notes, memoranda, diplo-  
7 matic cables, reports, legal opinions, analytical products,  
8 briefing materials, intelligence assessments, white papers,  
9 non-papers, meeting readouts, and other materials, re-  
10 gardless of electronic or physical format), both classified  
11 and unclassified, in the possession of the President or the  
12 Secretary of State, respectively, as of the date of adoption  
13 of this resolution that refer or relate to—

14           (1) any consultations with NATO allies and  
15           partners since January 20, 2021, regarding the  
16           United States withdrawal from Afghanistan, includ-  
17           ing any reactions, concerns, or objections expressed  
18           by such allies and partners;

19           (2) the release of violent extremists (including  
20           Taliban, al-Qaida, and ISIS–K) from prisons in Af-  
21           ghanistan during the Taliban’s 2021 offensive;

22           (3) numbers of United States citizens and law-  
23           ful permanent residents in Afghanistan, from Au-  
24           gust 15, 2021, to the present;

1           (4) estimated numbers of Afghan Special Immi-  
2           grant Visa (SIV) program applicants and SIV-eligi-  
3           ble Afghans remaining in Afghanistan, from August  
4           15, 2021, to the present;

5           (5) numbers of United States citizens, lawful  
6           permanent residents, or Afghan SIV program appli-  
7           cants in contact with the Department of State to re-  
8           quest evacuation assistance from Afghanistan, from  
9           July 30, 2021, to the present;

10          (6) any agreement, commitment, or under-  
11          standing reached with the Taliban related to the  
12          evacuation of United States citizens, lawful perma-  
13          nent residents, Afghan SIV program applicants, and  
14          other at-risk Afghans by the United States Govern-  
15          ment or private entities;

16          (7) any information provided to the Taliban, or  
17          to any Taliban forces, from August 13, 2021, to the  
18          present regarding United States citizens, lawful per-  
19          manent residents, Afghan SIV program applicants,  
20          or other at-risk Afghans attempting to depart Af-  
21          ghanistan, including any information provided to as-  
22          sist the clearance of individuals through Taliban  
23          checkpoints;

24          (8) the Taliban's compliance with the agree-  
25          ment signed with the United States at Doha, Qatar,

1 on February 29, 2020, including its counterter-  
2 rorism guarantees to prevent cooperation, recruiting,  
3 training, and fundraising in Afghanistan by al-Qaida  
4 and other groups that threaten the United States  
5 and our allies;

6 (9) the relationship between the Taliban and al-  
7 Qaida since February 29, 2020, including any rela-  
8 tionship between the Taliban and the Haqqani Net-  
9 work, and any relationship between the Haqqani  
10 Network and al-Qaida;

11 (10) any funding provided or assets transferred  
12 by, or at the request of, the United States from Jan-  
13 uary 20, 2021, to the present, either directly or indi-  
14 rectly through a third party or foreign government,  
15 with the knowledge or expectation that the Taliban  
16 would receive the benefit of such funding or assets;

17 (11) Department of State F-77 reports (identi-  
18 fying numbers of potential evacuees) for Afghanistan  
19 from January 2020 to the present;

20 (12) Embassy Kabul Emergency Action Plans  
21 (EAPs) and Noncombatant Evacuation Operations  
22 (NEO) plans and operations in Afghanistan from  
23 January 20, 2021, to the present;

24 (13) assistance to, coordination with, or policies  
25 or directives regarding private and nongovernmental

1 groups, including those run by American veterans of  
2 the Afghanistan conflict, working to evacuate Af-  
3 ghans at risk because of their previous work with  
4 the United States;

5 (14) the structure, creation, or operations of  
6 the Afghanistan Task Force, including all situation  
7 reports prepared by that Task Force for internal or  
8 external dissemination;

9 (15) any official views or objections proffered  
10 by Administrator Samantha Power of the United  
11 States Agency for International Development  
12 (USAID) to the Department of State or the White  
13 House from April 2021 to the present regarding the  
14 Afghanistan withdrawal, including any views regard-  
15 ing impacts on USAID program implementers left  
16 behind;

17 (16) any agreement, commitment, or under-  
18 standing reached with the Taliban regarding even-  
19 tual United States recognition of the Taliban as the  
20 lawful government of Afghanistan;

21 (17) any agreement with a foreign government  
22 to grant the United States basing, runway, or air-  
23 space access, and logistical supply that would sup-  
24 port the extension of United States intelligence, sur-

1       veillance, and reconnaissance (ISR) or counterter-  
2       rorism strike capabilities into Afghanistan;

3               (18) any agreement with a foreign government  
4       to allow the continued presence in its territory of Af-  
5       ghan SIV applicants and their family members while  
6       their applications are processed and considered by  
7       the United States;

8               (19) any agreement or understanding with a  
9       foreign government regarding commitments or obli-  
10      gations of the United States toward Afghan citizens  
11      transported into that country's territory on a United  
12      States Government-chartered or military flight from  
13      Afghanistan;

14              (20) any agreement or understanding with a  
15      foreign government regarding that government's  
16      willingness to permit entry or continued presence by  
17      Afghan evacuees who fail United States security or  
18      refugee screening processes;

19              (21) Afghans evacuated on United States Gov-  
20      ernment-chartered or military flights from Afghani-  
21      stan who have failed initial screening or have other-  
22      wise been determined to be inadmissible to the  
23      United States, including any information regarding  
24      the number and current location of such individuals;

1           (22) any role or procedures of the Department  
2           of State or another United States Government agen-  
3           cy in approving or disapproving privately chartered  
4           flights intended to evacuate persons from Afghani-  
5           stan, including review or approval of passenger  
6           manifests, flight plans, or landing approval in for-  
7           eign countries;

8           (23) passenger manifests for United States  
9           Government-chartered and military flights with civil-  
10          ian passengers aboard, departing Afghanistan from  
11          July 30, 2021, to the present, including any infor-  
12          mation regarding the accuracy or completeness of  
13          such manifests, and any comparisons or disparities  
14          between passenger lists at departure and upon ar-  
15          rival;

16          (24) information regarding civilian passengers  
17          aboard United States Government-chartered and  
18          military flights departing Afghanistan from July 30,  
19          2021, to the present, including the numbers of—

20                   (A) United States citizens;

21                   (B) lawful permanent residents of the  
22                   United States;

23                   (C) Afghan SIV program applicants and  
24                   their immediate family members;

1 (D) Afghan P1 and P2 refugee program  
2 applicants; and

3 (E) other at-risk Afghans not eligible for  
4 the SIV program, P1 refugee program referral,  
5 or P2 refugee program referral;

6 (25) efforts and processes to identify and  
7 screen Afghan passengers aboard United States  
8 Government-chartered and military flights departing  
9 Afghanistan from July 30, 2021, to the present, in-  
10 cluding any assessments, criticisms, or complaints  
11 regarding the adequacy of such security screening  
12 processes;

13 (26) any discussions, assessments, or legal  
14 opinions regarding whether the Taliban takeover of  
15 Afghanistan constitutes a coup d'etat;

16 (27) communications with Afghan President  
17 Ashraf Ghani, from July 23, 2021, to the present;

18 (28) the destruction at United States consular  
19 facilities in Afghanistan of documentation regarding  
20 Afghan visa applicants and recipients, including in-  
21 formation regarding documentation not digitized or  
22 archived prior to destruction; and

23 (29) the disposition of United States-origin de-  
24 fense articles provided to the Afghan National De-  
25 fense and Security Forces, including those delivered



- 1 to Afghanistan after April 14, 2021, whether in the
- 2 Taliban's possession or transferred to third parties.

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