

117TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. RES. 959

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Congress does not recognize the Russian Federation as the inheritor of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics seat as a permanent member of the United Nations Security Council.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 2, 2022

Mr. CRENSHAW (for himself, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Mr. STEWART, Mr. MOORE of Utah, Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia, Mrs. CAMMACK, Mr. STEUBE, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Mr. JACOBS of New York, Ms. VAN DUYNE, Mr. BABIN, Mr. ARRINGTON, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. ELLZEY, Ms. MALLIOTAKIS, Mr. ROY, Mr. WALTZ, Mr. BARR, Mr. GARCIA of California, Mr. TIMMONS, Mr. CARTER of Texas, Mr. ARMSTRONG, Mr. ROUZER, Mr. LAMALFA, Ms. LETLOW, Mr. SMUCKER, Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina, Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina, Mr. RICE of South Carolina, Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, Mr. BACON, Mr. WESTERMAN, and Mr. GUEST) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Congress does not recognize the Russian Federation as the inheritor of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics seat as a permanent member of the United Nations Security Council.

Whereas Chapter V, Article 23 of the Charter of the United Nations names “the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics” as a permanent member of the Security Council;

Whereas the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics was dissolved on December 26, 1991;

Whereas the Charter of the United Nations was not amended and still names the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics as a member of the United Nations and a Permanent Member of the United Nations Security Council;

Whereas the United Nations General Assembly did not vote on a resolution to admit the Russian Federation;

Whereas the United Nations General Assembly voted on resolutions to admit other former Soviet Socialist Republics;

Whereas there was not a United Nations General Assembly vote approving then Russian Federation President Boris Yeltsin’s letter transferring membership of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the Russian Federation; and

Whereas the Russian Federation under Vladimir Putin has repeatedly violated the United Nations Purposes and Principles, as established in the Charter of the United Nations, Article 2, paragraph 4 to “refrain in their international relations from the threat or use of force against the territorial integrity or political independence”: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—
- 2 (1) does not recognize the Russian Federation
- 3 as the inheritor of the Union of Soviet Socialist Re-
- 4 publics seat as a permanent member on the United
- 5 Nations Security Council;

1 (2) favors the removal of the Russian Federa-
2 tion as a permanent member of the United Nations
3 Security Council; and

4 (3) encourages the Biden administration to take
5 all necessary action at the United Nations to remove
6 the Russian Federation from its position as a per-
7 manent member of the United Nations Security
8 Council.

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