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# H. RES. 219

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United Nations should forthwith take the procedural actions necessary to amend Article 23 of the Charter of the United Nations to remove the People's Republic of China as a permanent member of the United Nations Security Council.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 11, 2021

Mr. BILIRAKIS submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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## RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United Nations should forthwith take the procedural actions necessary to amend Article 23 of the Charter of the United Nations to remove the People's Republic of China as a permanent member of the United Nations Security Council.

Whereas the United Nations Security Council is charged with maintaining peace and security among the nations of the world;

Whereas the United Nations Security Council currently has five permanent members;

Whereas the primary responsibility of the United Nations Security Council is the maintenance of international peace

and security with the least diversion for armaments of the world's human and economic resources;

Whereas the preamble of the Charter of the United Nations states that “we the peoples of the United Nations determined to reaffirm faith in fundamental human rights, in the dignity and worth of the human person, in the equal rights of men and women and of nations large and small” and “to practice tolerance and live together in peace with one another as good neighbors”;

Whereas the People's Republic of China has grossly violated these values in their treatment of minorities within the People's Republic of China, such as the Uyghur people and Tibetans;

Whereas Hong Kong was a beacon of democracy, economic progress, and human development while maintaining separate governing and economic systems from that of mainland China under the principle of “one country, two systems”;

Whereas the People's Republic of China's continued intervention in Hong Kong, including the controversial national security laws for Hong Kong passed by the National People's Congress on May 28, 2020, further threatens the fundamental human rights and freedoms guaranteed to the people of Hong Kong; and

Whereas the People's Republic of China lack of transparency and handling of the COVID-19 pandemic resulted in significantly greater lives lost and worldwide economic ruin: Now, therefore, be it

- 1       *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the House of Rep-
- 2   resentatives that the United Nations should forthwith take
- 3   the procedural actions necessary to amend Article 23 of

- 1 the Charter of the United Nations to remove the People's
- 2 Republic of China as a permanent member of the United
- 3 Nations Security Council.

