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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. Dole (for himself, Mr. Allott, Mr. Baker, Mr. Bellmon, Mr. Bennett, Mr. Boggs, Mr. Cannon, Mr. Cook, Mr. Cotton, Mr. Curtis, Mr. Domnick, Mr. Ervin, Mr. Fannin, Mr. Fong, Mr. Goldwater, Mr. Griffin, Mr. Gurney, Mr. Hansen, Mr. Hollings, Mr. Haas, Mr. Jordan of Idaho, Mr. McGee, Mr. Mathias, Mr. Miller, Mr. Mundt, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Pearson, Mr. Percy, Mr. Saxbe, Mr. Scott, Mrs. Smith of Maine, Mr. Smith of Illinois, Mr. Stevens, Mr. Thurmond, and Mr. Tower) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

RESOLUTION

Peace in Vietnam.

1. Resolved, That it is the sense of the Senate that the Government of North Vietnam and the National Liberation Front are urged to take promptly the following steps:

2. (1) acknowledge that a just and mutually agreed settlement is the best hope for lasting peace;

3. (2) show at the Paris peace talks the same flexibility and desire for compromise which the Allies have clearly demonstrated over the past year;

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(3) agree to direct negotiations between representatives of the National Liberation Front and of the Government of the Republic of Vietnam as proposed by the latter;

(4) withdraw their insistence on Allied surrender through their demand for the overthrow of the Government of the Republic of Vietnam before genuinely free elections could be held; and

(5) provide information on the status of United States prisoners of war held in North Vietnam and by the National Liberation Front, and give evidence that these prisoners are being treated humanely in accordance with the provisions of the Geneva Convention; and be it further:

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Senate that the United States must maintain its one fundamental goal in Vietnam of peace, with self-determination for the South Vietnamese people.