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## H. RES. \_\_\_\_\_

Calling on the President to deter further Russian aggression against Ukraine,  
particularly the threat of nuclear, biological, or chemical attacks.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. COHEN submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the  
Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

## RESOLUTION

Calling on the President to deter further Russian aggression  
against Ukraine, particularly the threat of nuclear, bio-  
logical, or chemical attacks.

Whereas the Russian Federation is currently engaged in a  
brutal, illegal, premeditated, and destructive war against  
the sovereign, democratic country of Ukraine;

Whereas the Russian Federation's war against Ukraine is in  
gross, clear, and uncorrected violation of the principles of  
the Helsinki Final Act, in contravention of the United  
Nations Charter, in violation of its obligations under the  
1994 Budapest Memorandum, and an unmitigated moral  
stain on its countenance;

Whereas the Russian leadership has made numerous implied and overt threats regarding the potential use of nuclear, biological, or chemical weapons of mass destruction in connection with its barbaric war on Ukraine;

Whereas the Russian war on Ukraine is not only a humanitarian catastrophe and a global and national security crisis, but also a direct and potentially irreparable threat to global nonproliferation, including notorious and gross Russian violations of its obligations under the Budapest Memorandums and the conduct of a civilized state;

Whereas in exchange for Ukraine eliminating all nuclear weapons from its territory, the 1994 Budapest Memorandum committed its signatories, the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom, and the United States, to refrain from the threat or use of force or economic coercion against Ukraine, and provided guarantees for the independence and sovereignty and territorial integrity of Ukraine;

Whereas the employment of chemical or biological weapons by the Russian Federation would be in violation of its obligations under the Chemical Weapons Convention, the Geneva Protocol, and the Biological Weapons Convention; and

Whereas the United States does not seek war, and urges an immediate end to Russian aggression in and against Ukraine, but the Russian military's potential use of nuclear, chemical, or biological weapons of mass destruction constitutes grave escalation over redlines that imperil United States national security and international peace: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

1           (1) calls upon the President to declare that the  
2       Russian employment of nuclear, chemical, or biological  
3       weapons of mass destruction (WMDs), including  
4       low-yield “tactical” nuclear weapons, “false flag” operations  
5       utilizing WMDs, and the purposeful or deliberate  
6       targeting or neglect of nuclear facilities that  
7       leads to a nuclear event, against or in connection  
8       with its war on Ukraine would represent crimes  
9       against humanity;

10          (2) calls upon the President to treat such  
11       crimes against humanity as an urgent national and  
12       global security threat that may require, in concert  
13       with North Atlantic Treaty Organization allies, the  
14       employment of any available conventional means as  
15       necessary to secure the peace, including the potential  
16       need to degrade and destroy offending Russian  
17       forces in Ukraine;

18          (3) calls upon the President to make immediate  
19       efforts to provide the military and other material  
20       means needed for the legitimate democratic Government  
21       of Ukraine to be able to defend its national  
22       sovereignty; and

23          (4) stands ready to make additional appropriations  
24       or legislation to meet the needs of securing

- 1 Ukraine's, Europe's, and the United States' common
- 2 struggle against Russian fascism.