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# H. CON. RES. 56

Condemning the Government of the People's Republic of China and the People's Liberation Army for continued military aggression against Taiwan, most notably the October 4th incursion of Taiwan's Air Defense Identification Zone.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Condemning the Government of the People's Republic of China and the People's Liberation Army for continued military aggression against Taiwan, most notably the October 4th incursion of Taiwan's Air Defense Identification Zone.

Whereas President Xi Jinping and the People's Liberation Army have recently engaged in a campaign of escalated military aggression against Taiwan which includes incursions of the Air Defense Identification Zone and military exercises along the coast of the Fujian Province;

Whereas China has maintained the One-China policy and has threatened Taiwan's autonomy both internally and externally;

Whereas Taiwan and its outlying islands have never been under the jurisdiction of the People's Republic of China;

Whereas the People's Republic of China continues to illegitimately claim sovereignty over Taiwan and its people;

Whereas, on October 4, 2021, days before the celebration of Taiwan's 110th National Day, the largest Chinese sortie in a single day penetrated the Air Defense Identification Zone;

Whereas President Xi Jinping stated afterwards "[t]he historical task of the complete reunification of the motherland must be fulfilled and can definitely be fulfilled";

Whereas the People's Liberation Army has run over 800 sorties of military aircraft near Taiwan in the past year;

Whereas the People's Liberation Army aircraft and vessels have markedly increased their activity in the Taiwan Strait since 2020;

Whereas Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov stated after the October 4th incursion that, "Russia, like the overwhelming majority of other countries, considers Taiwan to be part of the People's Republic of China. We have proceeded and will proceed from this premise in our foreign policy";

Whereas Congress passed the Taiwan Relations Act in 1979 which established the foundation for continued relations between the people of the United States and Taiwan after the expiration of the Sino-American Mutual Defense Treaty;

Whereas Taiwan remains an ally of the United States and is an exemplary member of the international community;

Whereas Taiwan’s President Tsai Ing-wen emphasized the need for maintaining the status quo saying, “Our position on cross-strait relations remains the same: neither our goodwill nor our commitments will change. We call for maintaining the status quo, and we will do our utmost to prevent the status quo from being unilaterally altered”; and

Whereas the actions of President Xi Jinping and the People’s Liberation Army threatens peace and stability in the region: Now, therefore, be it

1        *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*  
 2 *concurring), That Congress—*

3            (1) condemns the Government of the People’s  
 4        Republic of China and the People’s Liberation Army  
 5        for its continued military aggression against Taiwan,  
 6        most notably the October 4th incursion of Taiwan’s  
 7        Air Defense Identification Zone;

8            (2) condemns the actions of any other countries  
 9        delegitimizing Taiwan’s sovereignty;

10          (3) calls for a cessation of military aggression  
 11        and internal coercion against Taiwan by the People’s  
 12        Republic of China; and

13          (4) reaffirms support for Taiwan’s political and  
 14        economic autonomy.

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