

AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: In the nature of a substitute.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—117th Cong., 1st Sess.

S. Res. 117

Expressing support for the full implementation of the Good Friday Agreement, or the Belfast Agreement, and subsequent agreements and arrangements for implementation to support peace on the island of Ireland.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and
ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE intended
to be proposed by Mr. MENENDEZ

Viz:

1 Strike all after the resolving clause and insert the fol-
2 lowing: “That the Senate—

3 (1) urges the United Kingdom and the Euro-
4 pean Union to support peace on the island of Ireland
5 and the principles, objectives, and commitments of
6 the Good Friday Agreement, also known as the
7 “Belfast Agreement”;

8 (2) expresses support for the full implementa-
9 tion of the Good Friday Agreement and subsequent
10 agreements, including the Stormont House Agree-
11 ment agreed to in December 2014, as well as the

1 protocol on Northern Ireland to the agreement on
2 the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the Eu-
3 ropean Union (in this resolution referred to as the
4 “Northern Ireland Protocol”);

5 (3) congratulates all parties in Northern Ire-
6 land for the return in January 2020 to a power-
7 sharing agreement;

8 (4) urges all parties in Northern Ireland to
9 work collectively to ensure the implementation of all
10 commitments of the Good Friday Agreement and
11 subsequent agreements so that all of the institutions
12 of the Good Friday Agreement can operate success-
13 fully and sustainably and that ongoing political chal-
14 lenges can be overcome;

15 (5) calls for continuing attention and action to
16 resolve the injustices of past violence, including vio-
17 lence by state and non-state actors;

18 (6) supports the passage of a Bill of Rights for
19 Northern Ireland and the right of all the people on
20 the island of Ireland to self-determine their future as
21 provided for in the Good Friday Agreement;

22 (7) encourages renewed attention to educational
23 and cultural efforts that will ensure the rich lan-
24 guage, literature, and arts of Northern Ireland en-
25 dure and are not diminished;

1 (8) expresses support for the Northern Ireland
2 Protocol and its full implementation, which ensures
3 through international agreement that no “hard bor-
4 der” will be reintroduced on the island of Ireland;
5 and

6 (9) will insist that any new or amended trade
7 agreements and other bilateral agreements between
8 the Government of the United States and the Gov-
9 ernment of the United Kingdom take into account,
10 as relevant, conditions requiring that obligations
11 under the Good Friday Agreement be met.