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S. RES. 473

Expressing the sense of the Senate on the necessity of maintaining the United Nations arms embargo on South Sudan until conditions for peace, stability, democracy, and development exist.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 8, 2021

Mr. ROUNDS (for himself, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. RISCH, and Mr. COONS) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

_____ (legislative day, _____), _____

Reported by Mr. MENENDEZ, without amendment

RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of the Senate on the necessity of maintaining the United Nations arms embargo on South Sudan until conditions for peace, stability, democracy, and development exist.

- 1 *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the Senate that—
- 2 (1) the signatories to the Revitalized Agreement
- 3 on the Resolution of the Conflict in the Republic of
- 4 South Sudan, signed on September 12, 2018, have

1 delayed implementation, leading to continued conflict
2 and instability in South Sudan;

3 (2) despite years of fighting, 2 peace agree-
4 ments, punitive actions by the international commu-
5 nity, and widespread suffering among civilian popu-
6 lations, the leaders of South Sudan have failed to
7 build sustainable peace;

8 (3) the United Nations arms embargo on South
9 Sudan, most recently extended by 1 year to May 31,
10 2022, through United Nations Security Council Res-
11 olution 2577 (2021), is a necessary act by the inter-
12 national community to stem the illicit transfer and
13 destabilizing accumulation and misuse of small arms
14 and light weapons in perpetuation of the conflict in
15 South Sudan;

16 (4) the United States should call on other mem-
17 ber states of the United Nations to redouble efforts
18 to enforce the United Nations arms embargo on
19 South Sudan; and

20 (5) the United States, through the United
21 States Mission to the United Nations, should use its
22 voice and vote in the United Nations Security Coun-
23 cil in favor of maintaining the United Nations arms
24 embargo on South Sudan until—

1 (A) the Revitalized Agreement on the Res-
2 olution of the Conflict in the Republic of South
3 Sudan is fully implemented; or

4 (B) credible, fair, and transparent demo-
5 cratic elections are held in South Sudan.