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Rejecting the United Nations decision to place the Israel Defense Force
on a list of child's rights abusers.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 26, 2024

Mr. BURCHETT (for himself, Mr. MOSKOWITZ, Mr. LAWLER, and Mr. GOTTHEIMER) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

RESOLUTION

Rejecting the United Nations decision to place the Israel
Defense Force on a list of child's rights abusers.

Whereas over 1,200 innocent people in Israel were murdered
by Hamas and other terrorists on October 7, 2023;

Whereas Hamas and other terrorists took over 250 innocent
people hostage, including children;

Whereas, since October 7, Israel has been fighting a war to
eliminate the threat posed by Hamas, restore security,
and free the hostages;

Whereas Hamas and other terrorists in Gaza frequently use
civilians and civilian infrastructure as human shields,
which is a war crime;

Whereas Hamas has used funds intended for humanitarian needs to build a massive tunnel network under Gaza for its terror activities;

Whereas the United Nations continues to refuse to recognize Hamas as a terrorist organization;

Whereas Hamas Chief in Gaza, Yahya Sinwar, has said that civilian Palestinian casualties are a part of Hamas strategy;

Whereas the Israel Defense Forces take unprecedented precautions to reduce harm to civilians while fighting in a defensive war, including aborting strikes when civilians are identified close to targets and warning and evacuating civilians prior to planned strikes;

Whereas the United States recognizes the right of Israel to protect and defend its citizens from those, like Hamas, Hezbollah, and Iran, that seek the destruction of the State of Israel;

Whereas the United Nations routinely relies on Hamas-supplied casualty figures for its reports;

Whereas, since the massacre on October 7, 2023, United Nations bias against Israel has reached unprecedented levels;

Whereas, in May 2024, the United Nations halved its count of Palestinian women and children killed in Gaza following widespread criticism over the lack of verification of its Hamas-supplied data;

Whereas the United Nations has a long and documented history of anti-Israel bias including by passing more resolutions targeting Israel than any other country in the world;

Whereas, in June 2024, the United Nations Secretary General's Annual Report on Children and Armed Conflict included the Israel Defense Forces on a list of parties to conflict that have not put in place adequate measures to protect children: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2 (1) rejects the decision of United Nations Secretary General António Guterres to include the
3 Israel Defense Forces on a list of parties to conflict
4 that have not put in place adequate measures to protect
5 children;
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7 (2) condemns the United Nations' longstanding
8 bias against Israel across multiple United Nations
9 bodies, including the United Nations Human Rights
10 Council and United Nations Security Council;

11 (3) condemns Hamas use of human shields and
12 urges the Biden administration to fully utilize the
13 authorities in the Sanctioning the Use of Civilians as
14 Defenseless Shields Act to impose sanctions on
15 Hamas and other terrorists' use of human shields;

16 (4) calls on Hamas to free all remaining hostages; and
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18 (5) reaffirms its support for the State of Israel
19 and Israel's right to defend itself.

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