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# S. CON. RES. 42

To express the sense of Congress regarding the safe and expeditious  
resettlement to Albania of all residents of Camp Liberty.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. MCCAIN submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred  
to the Committee on Foreign Relations

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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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expeditious resettlement to Albania of all residents of  
Camp Liberty.

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

3       **SECTION 1. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON THE SAFE RESETTLE-**  
4       **MENT OF CAMP LIBERTY RESIDENTS.**

5       It is the sense of Congress that the United States  
6       should—

7               (1) work with the Government of Iraq and the  
8       United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees  
9       (UNHCR) to ensure that all residents of Camp Lib-

1       erty are safely and expeditiously resettled in Alba-  
2       nia;

3           (2) work with the Government of Iraq, the Gov-  
4       ernment of Albania, and the UNHCR to prevent the  
5       Government of Iran from intervening in the resettle-  
6       ment process by abusing international organizations,  
7       including Interpol and other organizations of which  
8       the United States is a member;

9           (3) urge the Government of Iraq to take  
10       prompt and appropriate steps in accordance with  
11       international agreements to promote the physical se-  
12       curity and protection of residents of Camp Liberty  
13       during the resettlement process, including steps to  
14       ensure that the personnel responsible for providing  
15       security at Camp Liberty are adequately vetted to  
16       determine that they are not affiliated with the Is-  
17       lamic Revolutionary Guard Corps' Qods Force;

18           (4) urge the Government of Iraq to ensure con-  
19       tinued and reliable access to food, clean water, med-  
20       ical assistance, electricity and other energy needs,  
21       and any other equipment and supplies necessary to  
22       sustain the residents during the resettlement proc-  
23       ess;

24           (5) work with the Government of Iraq to make  
25       all reasonable efforts to facilitate the sale of resi-

1       dents' property and assets remaining at Camp  
2       Ashraf and Camp Liberty for the purpose of funding  
3       their cost of living and resettlement out of Iraq;

4               (6) work with the Government of Iraq and the  
5       United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees  
6       (UNHCR) to ensure that Camp Liberty residents  
7       may exercise full control of all personal assets in  
8       Camp Liberty and the former Camp Ashraf as the  
9       residents deem necessary;

10              (7) assist, and maintain close and regular com-  
11       munication with the UNHCR for the purpose of ex-  
12       pediting the ongoing resettlement of all residents of  
13       Camp Liberty, without exception, to Albania;

14              (8) urge the Government of Albania, and the  
15       UNHCR to ensure the continued recognition of the  
16       resettled residents as "persons of concern" entitled  
17       to international protections according to principles  
18       and standards in the Convention Relating to the  
19       Status of Refugees, done at Geneva July 28, 1951,  
20       and the International Bill of Human Rights; and

21              (9) work with the Government of Albania and  
22       the UNHCR to facilitate and provide suitable loca-  
23       tions for housing of the remaining Camp Liberty  
24       residents in Albania until such time when the resi-

- 1 dents become self-sufficient in meeting their residen-
- 2 tial needs in Albania.

