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# H. RES. 1240

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. McCAUL (for himself, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. PERRY, Mr. MEUSER, Mr. KINZINGER, Mr. MELJER, Mr. ZELDIN, Mr. CHABOT, Ms. MALLIOTAKIS, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. BUCK, Mr. BURCHETT, Ms. SALAZAR, and Mr. SMITH of New Jersey) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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## RESOLUTION

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1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives requests  
2 the President, and directs the Secretary of State, to trans-  
3 mit to the House of Representatives, not later than 14  
4 days after the date of the adoption of this resolution, cop-  
5 ies of all documents (including all records, communica-  
6 tions, correspondence (including email), messages (includ-

1 ing text and instant messages), transcripts, summaries,  
2 agendas, written agreements, notes, memoranda, diplo-  
3 matic cables, reports, legal opinions, analytical products,  
4 briefing materials, intelligence assessments, white papers,  
5 non-papers, meeting readouts, and other materials, re-  
6 gardless of electronic or physical format), both classified  
7 and unclassified, in the possession of the President or the  
8 Secretary of State, respectively, as of the date of adoption  
9 of this resolution that refer or relate to—

10           (1) any consultations with NATO allies and  
11           partners since January 20, 2021, regarding the  
12           United States withdrawal from Afghanistan, includ-  
13           ing any reactions, concerns, or objections expressed  
14           by such allies and partners;

15           (2) the release of violent extremists (including  
16           Taliban, al-Qaida, and ISIS–K) from prisons in Af-  
17           ghanistan during the Taliban’s 2021 offensive;

18           (3) numbers of United States citizens, lawful  
19           permanent residents, or Afghan SIV program appli-  
20           cants in contact with the Department of State to re-  
21           quest evacuation assistance from Afghanistan, from  
22           July 30, 2021, to the present;

23           (4) any agreement, commitment, or under-  
24           standing reached with the Taliban related to the  
25           evacuation of United States citizens, lawful perma-

1        nent residents, Afghan SIV program applicants, and  
2        other at-risk Afghans by the United States Govern-  
3        ment or private entities;

4            (5) any information provided to the Taliban, or  
5        to any Taliban forces, from August 13, 2021, to the  
6        present regarding United States citizens, lawful per-  
7        manent residents, Afghan SIV program applicants,  
8        or other at-risk Afghans attempting to depart Af-  
9        ghanistan, including any information provided to as-  
10       sist the clearance of individuals through Taliban  
11       checkpoints;

12           (6) the Taliban’s compliance with the agree-  
13        ment signed with the United States at Doha, Qatar,  
14        on February 29, 2020, including its counterter-  
15        rorism guarantees to prevent any cooperation, re-  
16        cruiting, training, plotting, and fundraising in Af-  
17        ghanistan by al-Qaida and other groups that threat-  
18        en the United States and our allies;

19           (7) the relationship between the Taliban and al-  
20        Qaida since February 29, 2020, including any rela-  
21        tionship between the Taliban and the Haqqani Net-  
22        work, and any relationship between the Haqqani  
23        Network and al-Qaida, and any al-Qaida members  
24        returning to Afghanistan following the Taliban’s  
25        capture of Kabul;

1           (8) any funding provided or assets transferred  
2           by, or at the request of, the United States from Jan-  
3           uary 20, 2021, to the present, either directly or indi-  
4           rectly through a third party or foreign government,  
5           with the knowledge or expectation that the Taliban  
6           would receive the benefit of such funding or assets,  
7           to include paying for seats on aircraft operated by  
8           commercial airliners controlled by the Taliban;

9           (9) Department of State F-77 reports (identi-  
10          fying numbers of potential evacuees) for Afghanistan  
11          from January 2020 to the present;

12          (10) Embassy Kabul Emergency Action Plans  
13          (EAPs) and Noncombatant Evacuation Operations  
14          (NEO) plans and operations in Afghanistan from  
15          January 20, 2021, to the present;

16          (11) assistance to, coordination with, or policies  
17          or directives regarding private and nongovernmental  
18          groups, including those run by American veterans of  
19          the Afghanistan conflict, working to evacuate Af-  
20          ghans at risk because of their previous work with  
21          the United States;

22          (12) any official views or objections proffered  
23          by Administrator Samantha Power of the United  
24          States Agency for International Development  
25          (USAID) to the Department of State or the White

1 House from April 2021 to the present regarding the  
2 Afghanistan withdrawal, including any views regard-  
3 ing impacts on USAID program implementers left  
4 behind;

5 (13) any agreement, commitment, or under-  
6 standing reached with the Taliban regarding even-  
7 tual United States recognition of the Taliban as the  
8 lawful government of Afghanistan;

9 (14) the August 15, 2021, offer made by the  
10 Taliban to allow the United States military to have  
11 responsibility for security in Kabul and for the  
12 Taliban to stay out of the city during the evacu-  
13 ation, and the United States Government decision to  
14 reject that offer;

15 (15) any agreement with a foreign government  
16 to grant the United States basing, runway, or air-  
17 space access, and logistical supply that would sup-  
18 port the extension of United States intelligence, sur-  
19 veillance, and reconnaissance (ISR) or counterter-  
20 rorism strike capabilities into Afghanistan;

21 (16) any agreement with a foreign government  
22 to allow the continued presence in its territory of Af-  
23 ghan SIV applicants and their family members while  
24 their applications are processed and considered by  
25 the United States;

1           (17) any agreement or understanding with a  
2 foreign government regarding commitments or obli-  
3 gations of the United States toward Afghan citizens  
4 transported into that country's territory on a United  
5 States Government-chartered or military flight from  
6 Afghanistan;

7           (18) any agreement or understanding with a  
8 foreign government regarding that government's  
9 willingness to permit entry or continued presence by  
10 Afghan evacuees who fail United States security or  
11 refugee screening processes;

12           (19) Afghans evacuated on United States Gov-  
13 ernment-chartered or military flights from Afghani-  
14 stan who have failed initial screening or have other-  
15 wise been determined to be inadmissible to the  
16 United States, including any information regarding  
17 the number and current location of such individuals;

18           (20) any role or procedures of the Department  
19 of State or another United States Government agen-  
20 cy in approving or disapproving privately chartered  
21 flights intended to evacuate persons from Afghani-  
22 stan, including review or approval of passenger  
23 manifests, flight plans, or landing approval in for-  
24 eign countries;

1           (21) passenger manifests for United States  
2           Government-chartered and military flights with civil-  
3           ian passengers aboard, departing Afghanistan from  
4           July 30, 2021, to the present, including any infor-  
5           mation regarding the accuracy or completeness of  
6           such manifests, and any comparisons or disparities  
7           between passenger lists at departure and upon ar-  
8           rival;

9           (22) information regarding civilian passengers  
10          aboard United States Government-chartered and  
11          military flights departing Afghanistan from July 30,  
12          2021, to the present, including the numbers of—

13                 (A) United States citizens;

14                 (B) lawful permanent residents of the  
15          United States;

16                 (C) Afghan SIV program applicants and  
17          their immediate family members;

18                 (D) Afghan P1 and P2 refugee program  
19          applicants; and

20                 (E) other at-risk Afghans not eligible for  
21          the SIV program, P1 refugee program referral,  
22          or P2 refugee program referral, to include  
23          members of the Afghan security forces;

24          (23) efforts and processes to identify and  
25          screen Afghan passengers aboard United States

1 Government-chartered and military flights departing  
2 Afghanistan from July 30, 2021, to the present, in-  
3 cluding any assessments, criticisms, or complaints  
4 regarding the adequacy of such security screening  
5 processes;

6 (24) communications with Afghan President  
7 Ashraf Ghani, from July 23, 2021, to the present;

8 (25) any discussions, assessments, or opinions  
9 regarding United States Government decisions to  
10 cease support to members of the internationally rec-  
11 ognized Afghan government and security forces con-  
12 tinuing to fight the Taliban;

13 (26) communication with members of the Af-  
14 ghan security forces from August 10, 2021, to the  
15 present regarding cessation of United States support  
16 to members of the internationally recognized Afghan  
17 government and security forces;

18 (27) the destruction at United States consular  
19 facilities in Afghanistan of documentation regarding  
20 Afghan visa applicants and recipients, including in-  
21 formation regarding documentation not digitized or  
22 archived prior to destruction;

23 (28) the disposition of United States-origin de-  
24 fense articles provided to the Afghan National De-  
25 fense and Security Forces, including those delivered



1 to Afghanistan after April 14, 2021, whether in the  
2 Taliban's possession or transferred to third parties;  
3 and

4 (29) documents, reports, and original findings,  
5 even if in draft form, produced by the internal State  
6 Department review of the Afghanistan withdrawal  
7 led by Ambassador Dan Smith, including transcribed  
8 interviews.

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