

A RESOLUTION TO SECURE NIGERIA'S OIL SUPPLY

1 WHEREAS, the United States is one of Nigeria's most significant trade partners; and
2 WHEREAS, oil exports comprise nearly the entirety of Nigeria's export sector; and
3 WHEREAS, continued militant action and threats in the Niger Delta hamper the
4 growth and development of both the oil and natural gas industries
5 within Nigeria; and
6 WHEREAS, the volatility of the situation in the Niger Delta threatens not only the
7 prosperity and security of Nigeria but also the economy of the United
8 States; now, therefore, be it
9 RESOLVED, by the Student Congress here assembled that: the President of the
10 United States be encouraged to offer military aid in the form of a
11 peacekeeping force and any materiel that may be deemed necessary to
12 support the government and the armed forces of Nigeria in their
13 attempts to secure the Niger Delta; and be it
14 FURTHER RESOLVED, that this aid be extended to include other oil-producing regions within
15 Nigeria as deemed necessary by the presidents of the United States and
16 Nigeria.

Respectfully Submitted,

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A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION REGARDING SENATORIAL ELECTIONS

1 WHEREAS, the process for selecting the members of the United States Senate
2 should be one of uniformity across the nation; and
3 WHEREAS, discrepancies in this process contribute to a democratic deficit within
4 the United States; and
5 WHEREAS, a consistent process would be a boon to increased understanding of
6 the American model; now, therefore, be it
7 RESOLVED, that upon approval of two-thirds of the Congress here assembled, the
8 following constitutional amendment be sent to the states for approval:
9 SECTION 1: When vacancies happen in the representation of any
10 State in the Senate, the executive authority of such
11 State shall issue writs of election to fill such vacancies
12 by a statewide election contest sixty days after the
13 vacancy occurs. No temporary appointment to fill the
14 vacancy shall be permitted.
15 SECTION 2: The Congress shall have the power to enforce this
16 article by appropriate legislation.

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A BILL TO INCREASE FUNDING FOR AMERICORPS

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1:** Funding for the Americorps program shall be increased by three hundred million
3 dollars for the current fiscal year.

4 **SECTION 2:** Funding for this initiative shall be redirected from the FY 2010 budget allocation
5 for the U.S. Department of Education.

6 **SECTION 3:** The funding for this project shall be overseen by the Department of the
7 Treasury. Oversight will be provided by the Corporation for National and
8 Community Service and the Government Accountability Office.

9 **SECTION 4:** All laws or portions of laws in conflict with the provisions of this legislation are
10 hereby declared null and void.

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A BILL TO DIFFUSE THE U.S.-CHINA TIRE CONTROVERSY

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:

2 **SECTION 1:** The tariffs recently enacted by President Obama on automobile tires imported
3 from the People's Republic of China are hereby revoked. To ensure the safety
4 of the American people, tires imported from the People's Republic of China
5 shall be subjected to random safety testing by the National Highway Traffic
6 Safety Administration upon arrival in the United States.

7 **SECTION 2:** The safety testing in question will be determined by the National Highway
8 Traffic Safety Administration and the Department of Commerce. Should an
9 individual tire fail the testing, the Department of Commerce may elect to
10 reject all tires of that model until such time as a specimen passes the
11 established test.

12 **SECTION 3:** This bill shall take effect on November 1, 2009.

13 **SECTION 4:** All laws or portions of laws in conflict with the provisions of this legislation are
14 hereby declared null and void.

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