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

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. MCCAIN introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred
to the Committee on Foreign Relations

A BILL

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expeditious resettlement to Albania of all residents of
Camp Liberty.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SENSE OF THE SENATE ON THE SAFE RESET-**
4 **TLEMENT OF CAMP LIBERTY RESIDENTS.**

5 It is the sense of the Senate 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.

