

seen Russia's ill-advised and criminal behavior in Ukraine. That is why the United States under President Biden's leadership has created the strong bond with our NATO and European allies and others all across the world.

Again, when I think of March 14 and the Russian pilots' decision to release jet fuel upon an American surveillance drone and clip the aircraft, it indeed was a reckless move that caused the drone to crash into the Black Sea. It was an unprofessional and dangerous maneuver, and it marked the first time since the Cold War that Russia has downed a U.S. aircraft.

This incident added to the already heightened tensions between the United States and Russia as Vladimir Putin continues his war of aggression in Ukraine. While our pilots and military work carefully to avoid such incidents—again, prudence, responsibility—I don't want to be like Vladimir Putin or the Russians. I don't want to imitate them, but Russia is about to play with fire.

Thankfully, we have a professional military that knows the power of restraint. This resolution rightfully condemns the March 14 incident and will let them know that we are watching, and we will not be silent about it, especially here in the United States Congress.

Mr. Speaker, I encourage all of my colleagues to support this resolution, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. MAST. Mr. Speaker, I yield 4 minutes to the gentleman from New York (Mr. WILLIAMS), the author of this resolution, and a submarine driver, who colleagues affectionately refer to as "bubbleheads."

Mr. WILLIAMS of New York. Mr. Speaker, I am equally honored to stand here with the gentleman and fellow veteran, Mr. MAST, as well as my New York colleague, Mr. MEEKS.

Mr. Speaker, America has always stood up to bullies. I am a veteran of the Cold War. For half a century, our Nation stood against the tyranny of the Soviet Union.

I volunteered to serve in the Navy, making six strategic deterrent patrols in the Pacific aboard a nuclear submarine.

The mission was clear: to project strength, to stand ready to defend our Nation and our allies, and to deter the aggression of our enemies.

Today, we are reminded what happens if American leaders fail in that mission. The Russian military, emboldened by their invasion of Ukraine, making veiled threats of nuclear escalation, suppressing the voices even of their own people, they have deliberately provoked this Nation—you and me.

On March 14, 2023, one of our MQ-9 Reaper drones, flying safely in international airspace and in accordance with international law, was attacked by two Russian Su-27 fighter jets.

These lawless pilots dumped their fuel, hitting our aircraft in mid-flight,

forcing an American reconnaissance asset to ditch in international waters.

I remain shocked not only at the unprofessional and reckless nature of the Russian pilots, but also of the Russian Government's accolades and awards that it heaped upon them.

Mr. Speaker, I am reminded from my naval service that the only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good people to do nothing. That is exactly why I have proposed H. Res. 240, a resolution condemning the reckless actions of the Russian military resulting in a loss of a U.S. aircraft.

The resolution is simple. It recognizes the events that took place, highlighted by the declassified video from European Command. It resolves that the House of Representatives condemns the Russian military's actions and reaffirms that the United States will not be deterred from operating our drones in the Black Sea. This resolution speaks not for a single political ideology but on behalf of all Americans who desire peace.

I would take a moment to thank Representative COSTA, who has joined me in this bipartisan effort of standing up to tyranny and the direct act of aggression against our military.

At this time of escalating tensions around the world, we must speak out against brazen provocation. Today, the world can see that Americans across the political spectrum speak with one voice in condemnation of this act.

By standing together here on the floor of the House of Representatives, we project strength by standing together, we reassure our allies that we are committed to defend ourselves and our friends, and together, we will ensure the peace through deterrence in unity.

Mr. MEEKS. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume for the purpose of closing.

Mr. Speaker, let me thank Congressman WILLIAMS for this resolution, along with Mr. COSTA, again working in a strong, bipartisan way.

Congressman WILLIAMS' resolution appropriately condemns Russia's irresponsible and provocative downing of a U.S. surveillance drone over the Black Sea. It lets Russia and the entire world know that the United States House of Representatives stands strongly together in condemning the actions of the pilot that downed the U.S. surveillance drone.

It says unequivocally that the United States of America will stand and stand together and work together with our friends and allies against the provocative and, I believe, criminal actions of Vladimir Putin.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. MAST. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself the remainder of my time.

In closing, I thank the gentleman from New York (Mr. WILLIAMS) for introducing this important resolution. I believe that this Chamber has to stand firmly against Russian aggression. I

believe very firmly that the United States of America has to have big, giant, brass stones. If our aggressors show us that they have bigger brass stones than what we do, then we will not be the leader of the free world.

I very much fear what is taking place right now. I will just say it like that. I very much fear what is taking place and is allowed to take place in this world.

Mr. Speaker, I urge all Members to support this resolution, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Florida (Mr. MAST) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 240, as amended.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. MAST. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6:30 today.

Accordingly (at 5 o'clock and 44 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

□ 1832

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. MCCLAIN) at 6 o'clock and 32 minutes p.m.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed. Votes will be taken in the following order:

Motions to suspend the rules with respect to:

H.R. 1151;

H. Res. 240; and

Agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal, if ordered.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XX, remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

UPHOLDING SOVEREIGNTY OF AIRSPACE ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1151) to hold the People's Republic of China accountable for the violation of United States airspace and sovereignty with its high-altitude surveillance balloon, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Florida (Mr. MAST) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 405, nays 6, not voting 23, as follows:

[Roll No. 183]

YEAS—405

Adams	Crawford	Hayes
Aderholt	Crenshaw	Hern
Aguilar	Crockett	Higgins (LA)
Alford	Crow	Higgins (NY)
Allen	Cuellar	Hill
Allred	Curtis	Himes
Amodei	D'Esposito	Hinson
Armstrong	David (KS)	Horsford
Arrington	Davis (IL)	Houchin
Auchincloss	Davis (NC)	Houlihan
Babin	De La Cruz	Hoyer
Bacon	Dean (PA)	Hoyle (OR)
Baird	DeGette	Hudson
Balderson	DeLauro	Huffman
Balint	DelBene	Huizenga
Banks	Deluzio	Hunt
Barr	DeSaulnier	Issa
Barragán	DesJarlais	Ivey
Bean (FL)	Diaz-Balart	Jackson (IL)
Beatty	Dingell	Jackson (NC)
Bentz	Donalds	Jackson (TX)
Bera	Duarte	Jackson Lee
Bergman	Duncan	Jacobs
Beyer	Dunn (FL)	James
Bice	Edwards	Jayapal
Biggs	Ellzey	Jeffries
Billirakis	Emmer	Johnson (GA)
Bishop (GA)	Escobar	Johnson (LA)
Bishop (NC)	Eshoo	Johnson (OH)
Blumenauer	Espallat	Johnson (SD)
Blunt Rochester	Estes	Jordan
Boebert	Ezell	Joyce (OH)
Bonamici	Fallon	Joyce (PA)
Bost	Feenstra	Kammlager-Dove
Boyle (PA)	Ferguson	Kaptur
Brecheen	Finstad	Kean (NJ)
Brown	Fischbach	Keating
Brownley	Fitzgerald	Kelly (IL)
Buchanan	Fitzpatrick	Kelly (MS)
Buck	Fleischmann	Khanna
Bucshon	Fletcher	Kiggans (VA)
Budzinski	Flood	Kiley
Burchett	Foster	Kilmer
Burgess	Foushee	Kim (CA)
Burlison	Fox	Kim (NJ)
Calvert	Frankel, Lois	Krishnamoorthi
Cammack	Franklin, C.	Kuster
Caraveo	Scott	Kustoff
Carbajal	Frost	LaHood
Cárdenas	Fry	LaLota
Carey	Fulcher	LaMalfa
Carl	Gaetz	Landsman
Carson	Gallagher	Langworthy
Carter (GA)	Gallego	Larsen (WA)
Carter (LA)	Garamendi	Larson (CT)
Carter (TX)	Garcia (IL)	Latta
Cartwright	Garcia (TX)	LaTurner
Casar	Garcia, Mike	Lawler
Case	Garcia, Robert	Lee (FL)
Casten	Gimenez	Lee (NV)
Castor (FL)	Golden (ME)	Lee (PA)
Castro (TX)	Goldman (NY)	Leger Fernandez
Chavez-DeRemer	Gomez	Lesko
Cherfilus-	Gonzales, Tony	Letlow
McCormick	Gonzalez,	Levin
Chu	Vicente	Lieu
Cicilline	Good (VA)	Lofgren
Ciscomani	Gooden (TX)	Loudermilk
Clark (MA)	Gosar	Lucas
Clarke (NY)	Gottheimer	Luetkemeyer
Cleaver	Granger	Luna
Cline	Graves (LA)	Luttrell
Cloud	Graves (MO)	Lynch
Clyburn	Green (TN)	Mace
Clyde	Green, Al (TX)	Magaziner
Cohen	Greene (GA)	Malliotakis
Cole	Griffith	Mann
Collins	Grothman	Manning
Comer	Guest	Mast
Connolly	Guthrie	Matsui
Correa	Hageman	McBath
Courtney	Harder (CA)	McCauley
Craig	Harris	McClain
Crane	Harshbarger	McClellan

McClintock	Phillips	Stauber
McCollum	Pingree	Steel
McCormick	Pocan	Stefanik
McGarvey	Posey	Steil
McGovern	Pressley	Steube
McHenry	Quigley	Stevens
Meeks	Raskin	Strickland
Menendez	Reschenthaler	Strong
Meuser	Rodgers (WA)	Takano
Mfume	Roy	Tenney
Miller (WV)	Rogers (KY)	Thanedar
Miller-Meeks	Rose	Thompson (CA)
Mills	Rosendale	Thompson (MS)
Molinaro	Rouzer	Thompson (PA)
Moolenaar	Ruiz	Tiffany
Mooney	Ruiz	Timmons
Moore (AL)	Ruppersberger	Titus
Moore (UT)	Rutherford	Tokuda
Moore (WI)	Ryan	Tonko
Moran	Salazar	Torres (CA)
Morelle	Salinas	Torres (NY)
Moskowitz	Sánchez	Trahan
Moulton	Santos	Trone
Mrvan	Sarbanes	Turner
Mullin	Scalise	Underwood
Murphy	Scanlon	Valadao
Nadler	Schakowsky	Van Drew
Napolitano	Schiff	Van Dine
Neguse	Schneider	Van Orden
Nehls	Scholten	Vasquez
Newhouse	Schrier	Veasey
Nickel	Schweikert	Velázquez
Norcross	Scott (VA)	Wagner
Norman	Scott, Austin	Walberg
Nunn (IA)	Self	Waltz
Obernolte	Sessions	Waters
Ocasio-Cortez	Sewell	Watson Coleman
Ogles	Sherman	Weber (TX)
Owens	Sherrill	Webster (FL)
Pallone	Simpson	Wenstrup
Palmer	Slotkin	Westerman
Panetta	Smith (MO)	Weston
Pappas	Smith (NE)	Wild
Pascarella	Smith (NJ)	Williams (GA)
Payne	Smith (WA)	Williams (NY)
Pelosi	Smucker	Williams (TX)
Peltola	Sorensen	Wilson (FL)
Perez	Soto	Wilson (SC)
Perry	Spanberger	Wittman
Peters	Spartz	Womack
Pettersen	Stansbury	Yakym
Pfleger	Stanton	Zinke

NAYS—6

Bowman	Massie
Davidson	Omar

NOT VOTING—23

Bush	Lamborn	Ross
Costa	Lee (CA)	Scott, David
Doggett	Meng	Stewart
Evans	Miller (IL)	Swalwell
Garbarino	Miller (OH)	Sykes
Grijalva	Neal	Vargas
Kelly (PA)	Pence	Wasserman
Kildee	Porter	Schultz

□ 1855

Mr. CARSON changed his vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ. Madam Speaker, due to extreme weather and the subsequent travel delays in South Florida, I missed the first vote of the series today.

Had I been present, I would have voted “yea” on rollcall No. 183.

CONDEMNING RECENT ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE RUSSIAN MILITARY TO DOWN A UNITED STATES AIR FORCE DRONE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfin-

ished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H. Res. 240) condemning recent actions taken by the Russian military to down a United States Air Force drone, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Florida (Mr. MAST) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 410, nays 0, not voting 24, as follows:

[Roll No. 184]

YEAS—410

Adams	Clyburn	Gomez
Aderholt	Clyde	Gonzales, Tony
Aguilar	Cohen	Gonzalez,
Alford	Cole	Vicente
Allen	Collins	Good (VA)
Allred	Comer	Gooden (TX)
Amodei	Connolly	Gosar
Armstrong	Correa	Gottheimer
Arrington	Courtney	Granger
Auchincloss	Crane	Graves (LA)
Babin	Crawford	Graves (MO)
Bacon	Crenshaw	Green (TN)
Baird	Crockett	Green, Al (TX)
Balderson	Crow	Greene (GA)
Balint	Cuellar	Griffith
Banks	Curtis	Grothman
Barr	D'Esposito	Guest
Barragán	David (KS)	Guthrie
Bean (FL)	Davidson	Hageman
Beatty	Davis (IL)	Harder (CA)
Bentz	Davis (NC)	Harshbarger
Bera	De La Cruz	Hayes
Bergman	Dean (PA)	Hern
Beyer	DeGette	Higgins (LA)
Bice	DeLauro	Higgins (NY)
Biggs	DelBene	Hill
Billirakis	Deluzio	Himes
Bishop (GA)	DeSaulnier	Hinson
Bishop (NC)	DesJarlais	Horsford
Blumenauer	Diaz-Balart	Houchin
Blunt Rochester	Dingell	Houlihan
Boebert	Donalds	Hoyer
Bonamici	Duarte	Hoyle (OR)
Bost	Duncan	Hudson
Bowman	Dunn (FL)	Huffman
Boyle (PA)	Edwards	Huizenga
Brecheen	Ellzey	Hunt
Brown	Emmer	Issa
Brownley	Escobar	Ivey
Buchanan	Eshoo	Jackson (IL)
Buck	Espallat	Jackson (NC)
Bucshon	Estes	Jackson (TX)
Budzinski	Ezell	Jackson Lee
Burchett	Fallon	Jacobs
Burgess	Feenstra	James
Burlison	Ferguson	Jayapal
Calvert	Finstad	Jeffries
Cammack	Fischbach	Johnson (GA)
Caraveo	Fitzgerald	Johnson (LA)
Carbajal	Fitzpatrick	Johnson (OH)
Cárdenas	Fleischmann	Johnson (SD)
Carey	Fletcher	Jordan
Carl	Flood	Joyce (OH)
Carson	Foster	Joyce (PA)
Carter (GA)	Foushee	Kammlager-Dove
Carter (LA)	Fox	Kaptur
Carter (TX)	Frankel, Lois	Kean (NJ)
Cartwright	Franklin, C.	Keating
Casar	Scott	Kelly (IL)
Case	Frost	Kelly (MS)
Casten	Fry	Khanna
Castor (FL)	Fulcher	Kiggans (VA)
Castro (TX)	Gaetz	Kiley
Chavez-DeRemer	Gallagher	Kilmer
Cherfilus-	Gallego	Kim (CA)
McCormick	Garamendi	Kim (NJ)
Chu	Garcia (IL)	Krishnamoorthi
Cicilline	Garcia (TX)	Kuster
Ciscomani	Garcia, Mike	Kustoff
Clark (MA)	Garcia, Robert	LaHood
Clarke (NY)	Gimenez	LaLota
Cleaver	Golden (ME)	LaMalfa
Cline	Goldman (NY)	Landsman
Cloud		Langworthy