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Tentative Bill Packet for the
Iona Tournament

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additions.

Congress will run 2 sessions
with no SuperSession.

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as possible!

A Resolution to Withdraw the United States from NATO

- 1 **WHEREAS**, Membership in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) is no
2 longer in the interest of the United States; and
- 3 **WHEREAS**, The collapse of the Soviet Union and the reunification of Germany
4 rendered NATO a purposeless and superfluous military alliance; and
- 5 **WHEREAS**, NATO incorporates weak states that do not augment the security of the
6 United States; and
- 7 **WHEREAS**, Article V of the North Atlantic Treaty mandates that the United States
8 protect those aforementioned states should they come under attack; and
- 9 **WHEREAS**, NATO's inclusion of former Soviet satellite states strains relations with
10 Russia and threatens to force the United States into conflict with a nuclear-
11 armed adversary; and
- 12 **WHEREAS**, The militaries of Western Europe are becoming smaller and increasingly
13 outmoded due to the reliance of member states on the protection afforded
14 by the United States in accordance with Article V; and
- 15 **WHEREAS**, American withdrawal from NATO will compel Europe to become
16 militarily independent and will extricate the United States from an alliance
17 that endangers, rather than strengthens, its national security; therefore, be
18 it
- 19 **RESOLVED**, That the United States withdraw its membership in NATO.

Respectfully submitted,

Iona Preparatory

A BILL TO IMPLEMENT TORT REFORM

1. **BE IT ENACTED BY THIS STUDENT CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT:**
2. **SECTION 1.** From hereafter there shall be a \$250,000 cap on non-economic malpractice
3. lawsuits.
4. **SECTION 2.** From hereafter there shall be a cap on attorney's fees in malpractice
5. lawsuits.
6. **SECTION 3.** A plaintiff's attorney fees would be limited to 50% of the first \$50,000
7. recovered; 40% of the following 50% recovered; 30% of any amounts exceeding
8. \$100,000.
9. **SECTION 4.** The Department of Health and Human Services will oversee the
10. implementation of this legislation.
11. **SECTION 5.** This bill would go into effect immediately upon passage.
12. **SECTION 6.** Any states who fail to comply with this legislation by FY2010 will face the
13. elimination of federal funding for their Medicare and Medicaid programs.
14. **SECTION 7.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

Respectfully submitted,

Monsignor Farrell High School

A RESOLUTION TO NULLIFY THE PATRIOT ACT

1. WHEREAS agencies such as the FBI and the CIA are granted powers by the
2. Patriot Act which allow them to investigate a citizen's bank accounts,
3. credit card history, medical records, and establish wire taps if
4. he/she is suspected of any illegal activity, and
5. WHEREAS the Patriot Act severely violates the citizen's constitutional
6. right to privacy; and
7. WHEREAS the Patriot Act was ratified during a time of severe national
8. crisis which might have distorted the federal government's judgment
9. regarding its constitutional validity,
10. THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by this Student Congress here assembled that
11. the Patriot Act shall be nullified immediately upon passage of this resolution.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

ST. JOSEPH HILL ACADEMY

Resolution to Designate Funding to the Construction of Nuclear Power Plants

1 Whereas most of America's current power production is based on economically
2 inefficient and environmentally damaging power production methods and
3 Whereas the fuels for above energy sources are owned by nations not friendly to the
4 United States, and
5 Whereas nuclear power is the most efficient form of energy production in both
6 environmental and economic efficiency, and
7 Whereas new technology has enabled nuclear reactors to be extremely safe, and
8 Whereas the fuel needed for nuclear energy lies in countries that are friendly to the
9 United States,
10 Be It Resolved by this Student Congress that the US provide subsidies for ten new
11 nuclear power plants.

Respectfully Submitted,

Fordham Preparatory School

A BILL CONCERNING US RELATIONS WITH PAKISTAN

1. Whereas: Recent events within Pakistan indicate that terrorist organizations are operating
2. within the Pakistani borders.
3. Whereas: The government in Pakistan is unstable and Islamic extremism in the country is
4. creating a volatile political situation.
5. Whereas: The border between Pakistan and Afghanistan is porous and difficult to control, 6.
6. leading individuals that seek to harm the US to move from Afghanistan into Pakistan
7. Whereas: This situation is creating a threat to our national security.
8. Therefore, be it resolved that
9. A) Representatives from the US will lobby the UN to negotiate with the Pakistani
10. government to provide security in the form of peace-keeping troops.
11. B) The US will arrange for frequent communication between representatives from
12. the governments of the US and Pakistan, aimed at preventing violence and
13. terrorism towards both countries.
14. C) The US will utilize covert forces such as the CIA to investigate suspicious
15. activities within the Pakistani borders.

Respectfully Submitted

Bronx Preparatory Charter School

A Resolution to Purchase Afghanistan's Opium

1. **WHEREAS**, Afghanistan produces over 90% of the world's opium
2. **WHEREAS**, revenue from opium sales directly fund Taliban operations
3. **WHEREAS**, current opium eradication methods disenfranchise Afghani farmers
4. **WHEREAS**, the United States is currently facing a shortage of opium based
5. pharmaceuticals, therefore, be it
6. **RESOLVED**, That the Student Congress here assembled give opium contracts to
7. Afghanistan and, be it
8. **FURTHER RESOLVED**, That Afghanistan be made to reinvest revenue from
9. these contracts for reforestation and diversification of its agricultural
10. sector.

*Respectfully Submitted,
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