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90TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. CON. RES. 623

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 1, 1968

Mr. EILBERG (for himself, Mr. ADDABBO, Mr. BRINKLEY, Mr. DULSKI, Mrs. DWYER, Mr. EVINS of Tennessee, Mr. FINO, Mr. GILBERT, Mr. HAGAN, Mr. HALPERN, Mr. ICHORD, Mr. LANDRUM, Mr. LENNON, Mr. LUKENS, Mr. MATSUNAGA, Mr. O'NEAL of Georgia, Mr. RIVERS, Mr. ROUSH, Mr. ROYBAL, Mr. SATTERFIELD, Mr. SCHWEIKER, Mr. SIKES, Mr. TEAGUE of Texas, Mr. WAGGONNER, and Mr. WHITE) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Whereas France was obligated to the United States on her World War I debt in the amount of \$6,850,592,550 and was default on principal and interest totaling \$5,077,723,883 on June 30, 1967;

Whereas the French Government has not contested the validity of its debt to the United States;

Whereas the United States has never recognized that there is any connection between the World War I obligations of France and France's reparation claims on Germany;

Whereas France has taken steps inconsistent with the best interests of the United States and the Atlantic Alliance;

Whereas the domestic economy of the United States has required

spending reductions and the development of new sources of income;

Whereas the American people should not be made to subsidize the French war debt: Now, therefore, be it

1        *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*  
2        *concurring)*, That it is the sense of Congress that it shall  
3        be the policy of the United States to require the Republic  
4        of France to immediately begin payment of its World War I  
5        debt to the United States;

6        It is further sense of Congress that the debt should  
7        be fully paid within twenty years of passage of this resolu-  
8        tion;

9        It is further the sense of Congress that such payment  
10       should be made in twenty equal installments to include all  
11       principal and interest now, or in the future, due to the  
12       United States;

13       It is further the sense of Congress that should France  
14       continue to default on World War I indebtedness to the  
15       United States, the President should take whatever steps  
16       are necessary to guarantee payment of that debt.

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**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To require France to pay its World War I debt.

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By Mr. EILBERG, Mr. ADDABBO, Mr. BRINKLEY,  
Mr. DULSKI, Mrs. DWYER, Mr. EVINS of Ten-  
nessee, Mr. FINO, Mr. GILBERT, Mr. HAGAN,  
Mr. HALPERN, Mr. ICHORD, Mr. LANDRUM,  
Mr. LENNON, Mr. LUKENS, Mr. MATSUNAGA,  
Mr. O'NEAL of Georgia, Mr. RIVERS, Mr.  
ROUSH, Mr. ROYBAL, Mr. SATTERFIELD, Mr.  
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