

H.R. 4

RESOLUTION URGING RATIFICATION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE NUCLEAR TEST BAN TREATY

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

AMENDMENT 1

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Representative **Jennifer M. Seelig** proposes the following amendments:

1. *Page 3, Lines 70 through 71:*

70 WHEREAS, United States' citizens must not be subjected to the hazards of future

71 nuclear weapons tests; =

WHEREAS, the CTBT Organization effectively monitors compliance with the CTBT through an International Monitoring System, consisting of 337 stations using state-of-the-art seismic, hydroacoustic, infrasound and radionuclide technologies and capable of detecting and identifying a nuclear weapons test explosion anywhere in the world within hours:

2. *Page 3, Line 74:*

74 nations; =

WHEREAS, Article 9 of the CTBT permits withdrawal by the United States in case extraordinary future developments, including the need to respond to a violation by another nation, were to jeopardize our supreme national interests;

WHEREAS, independent expert assessments commissioned by the National Nuclear Security Administration have concluded that measures under the Stockpile Stewardship Program and Life Extension Program can support certification of today's nuclear warheads as safe, secure, and reliable for decades without the need to resort to underground nuclear weapons esting; and