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Relating to the ratification of the Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS the United States desires peace among nations and a reduction in the arms burden; and

WHEREAS, as a concrete step toward the goal of peace, the United States has negotiated a Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty with the Soviet Union; and

WHEREAS this treaty is presently before the United States Senate for ratification; and

WHEREAS, since negotiation of the treaty, the Soviet Union has invaded and effectively taken control of Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS this invasion shows that there can be no reliance on the good faith of the Soviet Union and little faith that it would live up to the Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the United States Senate is urged to refrain from considering ratification of the treaty at this time; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that Congress is urged to take all necessary legal, constitutional and prudent steps to increase the military, economic, and political strength of the United States, with special emphasis on upgrading and strengthening the Alaska Command.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Jimmy Carter, President of the United States, and to each member of the United States Congress.