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Kelly, Leland, Lepore-Hagan, Lightbody, Miller, J., Miranda, Russo, Sheehy,
Smith, K., Sobecki, Sweeney**

A RESOLUTION

To urge the United States Congress to convene 1
oversight hearings regarding Russian military 2
intelligence offering bounties to Taliban-linked 3
militants for killing American and coalition 4
forces. 5

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF
OHIO:**

WHEREAS, One hundred soldiers from Company B, 3rd 6
Battalion, 238th Aviation Regiment, located in North Canton, 7
have recently embarked on yearlong deployments in support of 8
U.S. Central Command; and 9

WHEREAS, Two hundred soldiers from the 1st Battalion, 137th 10
Aviation Regiment, located in Columbus, have recently embarked 11
on yearlong deployments in support of U.S. Central Command; and 12

WHEREAS, American intelligence officials have concluded 13
that a Russian military intelligence unit secretly offered 14
bounties to Taliban-linked militants; and 15

WHEREAS, Said bounties were offered in exchange for the 16
killing of coalition forces in Afghanistan, including American 17

troops; and 18

WHEREAS, An operation to incentivize the killing of 19
American and other NATO troops would be a significant and 20
provocative escalation of Russian support for the Taliban; now 21
therefore be it 22

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of 23
Representatives of the 133rd General Assembly of the State of 24
Ohio, urge the relevant committees of the United States House of 25
Representatives and United States Senate to convene for 26
oversight hearings on this matter; and be it further 27

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of 28
Representatives of the 133rd General Assembly of the State of 29
Ohio, urge the members of the international economic 30
organization known as the Group of Seven (G7) to continue to 31
exclude the Russian Federation from participation in its 32
meetings and activities; and be it further 33

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of 34
Representatives of the 133rd General Assembly of the State of 35
Ohio, urge the United States Congress to levy additional 36
economic sanctions against the Russian Federation; and be it 37
further 38

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 39
send duly authenticated copies of this resolution to the 40
President of the United States, the Ohio Congressional 41
delegation, and the news media of Ohio. 42