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Requesting information on the Republic of Liberia's human rights practices pursuant to section 502B(c) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. KAINE submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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## RESOLUTION

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1       *Resolved,*

2       **SECTION 1. REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON LIBERIA'S**  
3               **HUMAN RIGHTS PRACTICES.**

4       (a) STATEMENT REQUESTED.—The Senate requests  
5       that the Secretary of State, not later than 30 days after  
6       the date of the adoption of this resolution, submit to the  
7       Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate and the  
8       Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representa-  
9       tives, pursuant to section 502B(c) of the Foreign Assist-  
10      ance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2304(c)), a statement re-

1    regarding Liberia's human rights practices that has been  
2    prepared in collaboration with the Assistant Secretary of  
3    State for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor and the  
4    Office of the Legal Adviser at the Department of State.

5        (b) ELEMENTS.—The statement submitted pursuant  
6    to subsection (a) should include—

7            (1) all available credible information concerning  
8        alleged violations of internationally recognized  
9        human rights by the Government of Liberia, includ-  
10      ing—

11            (A) arbitrary and unlawful arrest, deten-  
12            tion, imprisonment, torture and cruel or inhu-  
13            mane treatment, including of people who are  
14            not citizens of Liberia but have been removed  
15            to Liberia by the United States Government;

16            (B) violations of due process rights, includ-  
17            ing a description of any opportunity provided to  
18            people who are not citizens of Liberia but have  
19            been removed to Liberia by the United States  
20            Government to demonstrate that they have been  
21            wrongfully arrested, detained, or imprisoned;

22            (C) enforced disappearances and arbitrary  
23            or unlawful killings, including extrajudicial  
24            killings, including of people who are not citizens

1 of Liberia but have been removed to Liberia by  
2 the United States Government;

3 (D) trafficking in persons, including forced  
4 or slave labor, including of people who are not  
5 citizens of Liberia but have been removed to Li-  
6 beria by the United States Government; and

7 (E) treatment of and legal rights and sta-  
8 tus provided by the Government of Liberia to  
9 people in Liberia who are not citizens of Liberia  
10 but have been removed to Liberia by the United  
11 States Government;

12 (2) a description of the steps the United States  
13 Government has taken—

14 (A) to promote respect for and observance  
15 of human rights as part of the Government of  
16 Liberia's activities;

17 (B) to discourage any practices that are  
18 inimical to internationally recognized human  
19 rights;

20 (C) to publicly or privately call attention  
21 to, and disassociate the United States and any  
22 security assistance provided for the Government  
23 of Liberia from, any practices described in sub-  
24 paragraph (B); and

1 (D) to assess, prior to removal, how the  
2 Government of Liberia would treat people who  
3 are not citizens of Liberia but have been re-  
4 moved to Liberia by the United States Govern-  
5 ment, including—

6 (i) conducting individualized assess-  
7 ments of such individuals to determine  
8 whether the Government of Liberia may  
9 send that person to their country of origin  
10 or last residence, and if so, whether the  
11 Government of Liberia would provide them  
12 with meaningful opportunity before their  
13 removal to show that they may be per-  
14 secuted, tortured, or otherwise harmed;  
15 and

16 (ii) ensuring that the Government of  
17 Liberia would provide such individuals with  
18 legal immigration status, should they wish  
19 to remain in Liberia, and would be treated  
20 humanely; and

21 (3) other information, including—

22 (A) an assessment from the Secretary of  
23 State of the likelihood that United States secu-  
24 rity assistance (as defined in section 502B(d) of  
25 the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C.

1           2304(d))) provided to Liberia could be used in  
2           support of activities by government officials re-  
3           lated to the rendition, trafficking, detention, or  
4           imprisonment of people who are not citizens of  
5           Liberia but have been removed to Liberia by  
6           the United States Government;

7           (B) any analysis conducted by the United  
8           States Government of the conditions to be faced  
9           in Liberia by people who are not citizens of Li-  
10          beria but have been removed to Liberia by the  
11          United States Government, prior to the ren-  
12          dition, removal, trafficking, detention, or im-  
13          prisonment of such individuals to Liberia;

14          (C) an assessment from the Secretary of  
15          State of the conditions in any detention centers  
16          or prisons in Liberia that may hold people who  
17          are not citizens of Liberia but have been re-  
18          moved to Liberia by the United States Govern-  
19          ment, including an assessment of allegations of  
20          torture and other gross violations of human  
21          rights;

22          (D) a description of any actions that the  
23          United States Government is taking to ensure  
24          that the Government of Liberia returns people  
25          who are not citizens of Liberia but have been

1 removed to Liberia by the United States Gov-  
2 ernment, in compliance with United States  
3 court orders regarding their return to the  
4 United States;

5 (E) a description of any actions that the  
6 United States Government is taking to address  
7 the risk of detention, torture, or forced dis-  
8 appearances of people who are not citizens of  
9 Liberia but have been removed to Liberia by  
10 the United States Government, or efforts to fa-  
11 cilitate the detention, torture, or forced dis-  
12 appearances of such people;

13 (F) a description of any actions the United  
14 States Government is taking to protect people  
15 who are not citizens of Liberia but are within  
16 the United States' jurisdiction or effective con-  
17 trol from unlawful rendering, trafficking, or  
18 other means of removal to Liberia;

19 (G) all information regarding any agree-  
20 ment or financial transaction between the  
21 United States Government and the Government  
22 of Liberia related to the rendition, removal,  
23 trafficking, detention, or imprisonment of indi-  
24 viduals who are not citizens of Liberia but have

1           been removed to Liberia by the United States  
2           Government;

3                 (H) all information regarding any individ-  
4           uals sent to Liberia by the United States Gov-  
5           ernment in 2025 and 2026;

6                 (I) a description of any actions that the  
7           United States Government is taking to facilitate  
8           the release or return of people who are not citi-  
9           zens of Liberia but have been wrongfully re-  
10          moved to Liberia by the United States Govern-  
11          ment;

12                (J) all information regarding any assur-  
13          ances the United States Government sought or  
14          received regarding the treatment of people who  
15          are not citizens of Liberia but have been re-  
16          moved to Liberia by the United States Govern-  
17          ment, prior to the rendition, removal, or traf-  
18          ficking of such individuals to Liberia;

19                (K) all information regarding assurances  
20          the United States Government sought or re-  
21          ceived regarding the further rendition, traf-  
22          ficking, removal, or transfer of people who are  
23          not citizens of Liberia, but have been removed  
24          to Liberia by the United States Government to  
25          countries that are not Liberia, including the

1 human rights conditions for such individuals in  
2 those countries; and  
3 (L) a summary of all meetings in 2025  
4 and 2026 between Government of Liberia offi-  
5 cials and Washington-based officials of the  
6 United States Government.