



Historic Victory! Senate Votes to Stop US Support in Saudi Arabia's War in Yemen

The resolution that expressed congressional disapproval against the US-backing of Saudi Arabia's war in Yemen [passed 56-41](#), over the objections of many establishment Republicans, but with strong support from conservatives like Senators Rand Paul and Senator Mike Lee, as well as from leftists like Senator Bernie Sanders. Rand Paul said that since he has entered public office, he has spoken out against Congress' abdication of its constitutional responsibilities in foreign policy. This is the first time Congress has invoked the War Powers Act to vote to end support for war since Vietnam. Bloomberg reported that a bipartisan group of senators say they'll try again in 2019 to enact stronger legislation to cut off arms sales to Saudi Arabia.

In a historic action, Senate has voted to end US involvement and support for the war in Yemen – the first time they have voted us out of war since Vietnam.

On Thursday, Senate voted 56-41 to pass S.J. Res. 54 and end support for Saudi Arabia's war on Yemen.

In a statement, Senator Rand Paul – a long time critic of US support for the war in Yemen – praised Senate's action.

“Today, in an historic vote, the Senate sent a clear message to Saudi Arabia that we will not turn a blind eye to their abuse of human rights, killing of dissidents and innocent Yemenis, and fueling of a humanitarian crisis. Since entering the Senate, I have spoken out against Congress’ abdication of its constitutional responsibilities in foreign policy, and I have worked across the aisle to help build the bipartisan consensus that made its voice loudly heard today. I will continue working to ensure that today’s victory is just the beginning of a long-awaited change in how Congress operates,” Senator Paul said in a statement.

A press release from Senator Paul’s office noted that over the past five years, Dr. Paul has spoken out and led multiple bipartisan efforts against U.S. involvement in Yemen. “Most recently, in November, he forced a procedural vote on his resolution that would have blocked the sale of an estimated \$300 million in high-explosive rocket artillery and associated training and support to Bahrain, a member of the Saudi-led coalition waging the war in Yemen.”

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