

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 273—CONCURRENT RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE SUPPORT OF THE CONGRESS, AND URGING THE SUPPORT OF PERSONS AND ORGANIZATIONS, BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE, FOR THE INTERNATIONAL BIOLOGICAL PROGRAM

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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND ASTRONAUTICS,
SUBCOMMITTEE ON SCIENCE, RESEARCH, AND DEVELOPMENT,
*Washington, D.C.***

The Subcommittee on Science, Research, and Development met at 10:30 a.m., in room 2325, Rayburn House Office Building, the Hon. Emilio Q. Daddario (chairman of the subcommittee) presiding.

Mr. DADDARIO. The meeting will come to order.

Dr. Ripley, good morning, sir.

Dr. RIPLEY. Good morning.

Mr. DADDARIO. Our first witness this morning is Dr. S. Dillon Ripley, the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution.

We are continuing our hearings on the International Biological Program, as you all know, and we are happy to have you before us, Dr. Ripley, as we always are, and we are anxious to listen to you.

STATEMENT OF DR. S. DILLON RIPLEY, SECRETARY, SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

Dr. RIPLEY. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

I am very pleased to be here this morning. I have prepared testimony which I would like to hand over to the committee, if I may.

Mr. DADDARIO. You may.

(The prepared statement of Dr. Ripley is as follows:)

PREPARED STATEMENT OF DR. S. DILLON RIPLEY TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND ASTRONAUTICS ON HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 273

Mr. Chairman and gentlemen of the committee, it is indeed a privilege for me to be invited to testify before this distinguished Committee on proposed House Concurrent Resolution 273. During these troubled times when men and nations are beset with many urgent social and economic problems, it is most encouraging to note the collective effort of the biologists of the world to foster an International Biological Program designed to acquire new knowledge for the improvement of mankind and his earthly environment. House Concurrent Resolution 273, as referred to the Committee on Science and Astronautics, would recognize that the International Biological Program, as sponsored in the United States by the National Academy of Sciences and the National Academy of Engineering, provides a unique means for responding to the increasingly urgent