

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4028
OFFERED BY MR. COLLINS OF GEORGIA

Redesignate section 1 as section 2.

Insert before section 2 (as so redesignated) the following:

1 SECTION 1. FINDINGS.

2 Congress finds the following:

3 (1) Cemeteries are sacred sites that are of great
4 spiritual, cultural, and historical significance to
5 many religious and ethnic groups.

6 (2) Congress is committed to protecting and
7 preserving the heritage and sacred sites of national,
8 religious, and ethnic groups, which includes ceme-
9 teries in the United States and abroad.

10 (3) Cemeteries around the world have and con-
11 tinue to be defaced or destroyed as a direct result
12 of their affiliation with a particular religious or spir-
13 itual group.

14 (4) Such attacks constitute an assault on the
15 fundamental right to freedom of religion, and are es-
16 pecially egregious when sponsored or tolerated by

- 1 the local or national governments in the countries in
- 2 which such offenses occur.

