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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 2, 2001

Mr. Kucinich introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Science, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, and International Relations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Space Preservation Act
- 5 of 2001".

1	SEC. 2. REAFFIRMATION OF POLICY ON THE PRESERVA-
2	TION OF PEACE IN SPACE.
3	Congress reaffirms the policy expressed in section
4	102(a) of the National Aeronautics and Space Act of 1958
5	(42 U.S.C. 2451(a)), stating that it "is the policy of the
6	United States that activities in space should be devoted
7	to peaceful purposes for the benefit of all mankind.".
8	SEC. 3. PERMANENT BAN ON BASING OF WEAPONS IN
9	SPACE.
10	The President shall—
11	(1) implement a permanent ban on space-based
12	weapons of the United States and remove from
13	space any existing space-based weapons of the
14	United States; and
15	(2) immediately order the permanent termi-
16	nation of research and development, testing, manu-
17	facturing, production, and deployment of all space-
18	based weapons of the United States and their com-
19	ponents.
20	SEC. 4. WORLD AGREEMENT BANNING SPACE-BASED WEAP-
21	ONS.
22	The President shall direct the United States rep-
23	resentatives to the United Nations and other international
24	organizations to immediately work toward negotiating,
25	adopting, and implementing a world agreement banning
26	space-based weapons.

1 SEC. 5. REPORT.

- The President shall submit to Congress not later than
- 3 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, and
- 4 every 90 days thereafter, a report on—
- 5 (1) the implementation of the permanent ban
- on space-based weapons required by section 3; and
- 7 (2) progress toward negotiating, adopting, and
- 8 implementing the agreement described in section 4.

9 SEC. 6. NON SPACE-BASED WEAPONS ACTIVITIES.

- Nothing in this Act may be construed as prohibiting
- 11 the use of funds for—
- 12 (1) space exploration;
- 13 (2) space research and development;
- 14 (3) testing, manufacturing, or production that
- is not related to space-based weapons or systems; or
- 16 (4) civil, commercial, or defense activities (in-
- 17 cluding communications, navigation, surveillance, re-
- 18 connaissance, early warning, or remote sensing) that
- are not related to space-based weapons or systems.
- 20 SEC. 7. DEFINITIONS.
- 21 In this Act:
- 22 (1) The term "space" means all space extend-
- ing upward from an altitude greater than 60 kilo-
- 24 meters above the surface of the earth and any celes-
- 25 tial body in such space.

1	(2)(A) The terms "weapon" and "weapons sys-
2	tem" mean a device capable of any of the following:
3	(i) Damaging or destroying an object
4	(whether in outer space, in the atmosphere, or
5	on earth) by—
6	(I) firing one or more projectiles to
7	collide with that object;
8	(II) detonating one or more explosive
9	devices in close proximity to that object;
10	(III) directing a source of energy (in-
11	cluding molecular or atomic energy, sub-
12	atomic particle beams, electromagnetic ra-
13	diation, plasma, or extremely low frequency
14	(ELF) or ultra low frequency (ULF) en-
15	ergy radiation) against that object; or
16	(IV) any other unacknowledged or as
17	yet undeveloped means.
18	(ii) Inflicting death or injury on, or dam-
19	aging or destroying, a person (or the biological
20	life, bodily health, mental health, or physical
21	and economic well-being of a person)—
22	(I) through the use of any of the
23	means described in clause (i) or subpara-
24	graph (B);

1	(II) through the use of land-based,
2	sea-based, or space-based systems using
3	radiation, electromagnetic, psychotronic,
4	sonic, laser, or other energies directed at
5	individual persons or targeted populations
6	for the purpose of information war, mood
7	management, or mind control of such per-
8	sons or populations; or
9	(III) by expelling chemical or biologi-
10	cal agents in the vicinity of a person.
11	(B) Such terms include exotic weapons systems
12	such as—
13	(i) electronic, psychotronic, or information
14	weapons;
15	(ii) chemtrails;
16	(iii) high altitude ultra low frequency
17	weapons systems;
18	(iv) plasma, electromagnetic, sonic, or ul-
19	trasonic weapons;
20	(v) laser weapons systems;
21	(vi) strategic, theater, tactical, or extra-
22	terrestrial weapons; and
23	(vii) chemical, biological, environmental,
24	climate, or tectonic weapons.

1 (C) The term "exotic weapons systems" in2 cludes weapons designed to damage space or natural
3 ecosystems (such as the ionosphere and upper at4 mosphere) or climate, weather, and tectonic systems
5 with the purpose of inducing damage or destruction
6 upon a target population or region on earth or in
7 space.

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