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STATEMENT OF ADMINISTRATION POLICY

S.J. Res. 37 - A Joint Resolution Terminating the National Emergency
Declared to Impose Duties on Articles Imported from Canada
(Sen. Kaine, D-VA, and seven cosponsors)

The Administration strongly opposes S.J. Res. 37. This resolution would undermine the Administration's ability to protect Americans from the flow of illicit drugs across the northern border by terminating the national emergency the President declared on February 1, 2025. The sustained influx of illicit opioids and other drugs across our northern border has profound consequences on our Nation, endangering lives and putting a severe strain on our healthcare system, public services, and communities. U.S. Customs and Border Protection seized enough fentanyl crossing the northern border in 2024 to kill 9.5 million Americans.

Swift and decisive action is needed to end this public health crisis and national emergency. This Administration will not stand by and allow our sovereignty to be eroded, our laws to be disregarded, our citizens to be endangered, or our borders to be disrespected. Criminal networks are operating with impunity along the northern border, enabling unvetted illegal immigration and drug smuggling. Access to the U.S. market is not a right. The United States must leverage the power of its market to force Canada to devote sufficient attention and resources to curb this unusual and extraordinary threat.

For these reasons, if S.J. Res. 37 were presented to the President in its current form, his advisors would recommend that he veto it.

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