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**Subject:** DRAFT Senate Resolution on Lobito Corridor / US-Africa Business Summit

Naz,

Attached for your consideration is a draft Senate Resolution expressing continued US support for the Lobito Corridor and deeper US engagement in Africa, particularly around critical minerals supply chains. Recognizing there is not much time to introduce this before next week's US-Africa Business Summit in Luanda, it could also be introduced after the Summit.

Best,

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# S.Res. \_\_\_\_\_

Affirming U.S. support for African partner nations contributing to critical minerals supply chain security initiatives and unlocking opportunities for new U.S. engagement on the continent ahead of the Corporate Council on Africa 2025 U.S.-Africa Business Summit.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_ 2025

M\_\_\_\_ introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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## RESOLUTION

Affirming U.S. support for African partner nations contributing to critical minerals supply chain security initiatives and unlocking opportunities for new U.S. engagement on the continent ahead of the Corporate Council on Africa 2025 U.S.-Africa Business Summit.

- 1 Whereas, Africa possesses 30% of the world's mineral reserves,
- 2 including strategic raw materials necessary for the
- 3 production of advanced technologies key to U.S. na-
- 4 tional and economic security;

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1 Whereas, foreign countries of concern have exerted outside control  
2 on these critical supply chains, threatening U.S. mili-  
3 tary readiness and creating a potential strategic  
4 chokehold on the U.S. economy;

5 Whereas, the U.S. International Development Finance Corporation  
6 has demonstrated itself as an effective, powerful tool  
7 to mobilize private-sector capital into strategic pro-  
8 jects in Africa;

9 Whereas, the Lobito Corridor has already yielded tangible returns  
10 for the United States and improved access to critical  
11 minerals reserves in the Democratic Republic of the  
12 Congo;

13 Whereas, Angola, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and  
14 Zambia are leading U.S. partners in advancing the  
15 Lobito Corridor and other development projects in  
16 Africa;

17 Whereas, U.S. economic engagement in Africa that elevates part-  
18 ner nations and leverages private-sector investment  
19 is key for countering adversarial and Chinese influ-  
20 ence on the continent;

21 Whereas, on June 22 to 25, the Corporate Council on Africa will  
22 host the U.S.-Africa Business in Luanda, Angola:  
23 Now, therefore, be it  
24 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

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- 1 (1) Supports continued efforts to deepen U.S. engagement in  
2 Africa and development financing for key projects such as  
3 the Lobito Corridor;
- 4 (2) Recognizes the importance of Africa to achieving a secure  
5 critical minerals supply chain;
- 6 (3) Reaffirms its commitment to engaging with African nations  
7 as equal partners, focused on ensuring mutual benefits and  
8 reciprocity in economic relations;
- 9 (4) Celebrates Angola's hosting of the 2025 U.S.-Africa Busi-  
10 ness Summit; and
- 11 (5) Urges the Trump Administration to continue U.S. support  
12 for the Lobito Corridor and to expand the scope of its en-  
13 gagement with the continent on issues central to U.S. na-  
14 tional and economic security.

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