

# Resolution Protesting the Privatization of Our National Security

**WHEREAS** privatization of our national security has resulted in undefined lines of authority;

**WHEREAS** although no-bid contracts are becoming the norm, there has been a lack of accountability for their execution and contract outcomes have been poorly measured;

**WHEREAS** the government has run up huge debts with poor accounting in the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan; and

**WHEREAS** the United States government is contracting with private companies for services in the military branches;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Washington State Democratic Party urge the Washington State Congressional Delegation to support legislation that would return all national security to our national armed forces, dropping all contracts with private armies;

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Washington State Democratic Party urge the Washington State Congressional Delegation to ensure that all national security contracts awarded by the United States will be the result of an open and fair bidding process;

**THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Washington State Democratic Party urge the Washington State Congressional Delegation to demand accountability for all national security contracts awarded by the United States and to ensure the development of adequate measures and standards for all contract performance and outcomes; and

**THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that Washington State Democratic Party distribute copies of this resolution to all Democratic members of the Washington State Congressional Delegation and Democratic Presidential Candidates Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama.

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Submitted by the Skagit County Democrats to the Democratic Central Committee for consideration at its June 14 convention in Spokane. (Date Submitted 4/12/2008)

The Resolutions Committee "AMENDED THIS RESOLUTION AND RECOMMENDED A PASS" at its May 31, 2008 meeting in Ellensburg.

44 The Washington State Democratic Convention "PASSED" this resolution at its June 14,  
45 2008 meeting in Spokane.