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SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: I understand that, but they will still claim jurisdiction over the whole of mainland China, would they not? I mean that is what the handout here says.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Well, that...I am just saying that they...I know they have said they do not intend to challenge the current international status of mainland China.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Yeah.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: That tells me that they are not going to challenge that.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Yeah. Members of the body, I will be opposing this particular resolution for the simple reason that this is a lot more complicated than simply we think it should be a part of the United Nations. This has the complicated factor of what and who do they represent. And I think the Republic of Taiwan, if they wanted to disclaim all I guess jurisdiction over mainland China, I think they might be able to enter on their own, in their own accord. My understanding is they have not necessarily consented to do that. My sense also is by working with the United Nations and the other countries at large that the countries within the United Nations block would be able to solve this particular problem. I do...I do have a difficulty voting for a resolution of which the handouts that are given, and my understanding is their position...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...today is that they represent the true legitimate government of all of mainland China. Anyone who believes that today, I have got some land over somewhere I would like to sell you because that, obviously, is not the case. I think it would be very foolish for this Legislature to get involved into who is legitimate government over what particular jurisdictions and what criteria are we going to overlook trying to urge their to be seated in the United Nations. I think this is one that we should stay out of at this point. I think this is a little bit different than the South African situation that we were in prior to that where I think not only did the Nebraska