

10. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE
MENENDEZ OF NEW JERSEY, OR
HIS DESIGNEE, DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES:

~~AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1950, AS REPORTED~~
~~OFFERED BY MR. MENENDEZ OF NEW JERSEY~~

At the end of the bill, add the following new section
(and conform the table of contents accordingly):

1 SEC. ____ ASSISTANCE TO TAMIL NADU.

2 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following find-
3 ings:

4 (1) Several United States businesses invested
5 more than \$800,000,000 in capital in the Indian
6 State of Tamil Nadu to build and operate state-of-
7 the-art electric generation facilities to serve local
8 customers.

9 (2) For nearly 2 years since these power plants
10 went into service, the Tamil Nadu Electricity Board
11 has violated the principle of contract sanctity by
12 consistently refusing to pay the contractually-re-
13 quired price for the electricity produced by these
14 companies.

15 (3) The Tamil Nadu Electricity Board now
16 owes these United States companies in excess of
17 \$150,000,000 in arrearages despite repeated assur-
18 ances by the Government of Tamil Nadu that the
19 situation would be resolved.



1 (4) All of the projects are in a technical state
2 of default on the principal of their loans and none
3 of the United States companies is making a return
4 on their equity.

5 (b) RESTRICTION.—No funds authorized by this Act
6 (including any amendments made by this Act) or author-
7 ized under any other provision of law may be used to di-
8 rectly or indirectly support any programs, projects, or ac-
9 tivities (other than humanitarian, health, or rule of law
10 programs, projects, or activities) located in or designed to
11 benefit the State of Tamil Nadu, India.

