

**American Nurses Association
2004 House of Delegates**

Resolution

Resolution to Condemn the Death Sentence of Bulgarian Nurses in Libya

WHEREAS, The spread of HIV among children in the Benghazi hospital is a national tragedy that is being blamed on innocent foreign health care workers; and

WHEREAS, The death sentence of the five Bulgarian nurses and a Palestinian physician is a serious miscarriage of justice; and

WHEREAS, This death sentence will have a chilling effect on humanitarian efforts of health care professionals throughout the world; and

WHEREAS, This death sentence may ultimately have a negative effect on the health of the peoples of the world who are in need of basic health care and emergency or disaster aid; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the American Nurses Association condemn the actions of the Libyan courts in handing down a death sentence for the five Bulgarian nurses and Palestinian physician; and

RESOLVED, That the American Nurses Association express appreciation to the U.S. government for its actions in this matter to date and urge government officials to keep the pressure on the Libyan government to repeal this sentence.