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To require the Secretary of State to determine whether the Russian Federation should be designated as a state sponsor of terrorism and whether Russian-sponsored armed entities in Ukraine should be designated as foreign terrorist organizations.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 11, 2019

Mr. GARDNER (for himself and Mr. MENENDEZ) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Stopping Malign Ac-
5 tivities from Russian Terrorism Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

1 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
 2 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
 3 mittees” means—

4 (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations of
 5 the Senate; and

6 (B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of
 7 the House of Representatives.

8 (2) STATE SPONSOR OF TERRORISM.—The term
 9 “state sponsor of terrorism” means a country, the
 10 government of which the Secretary of State has de-
 11 termined, for purposes of section 6(j) of the Export
 12 Administration Act of 1979 (50 U.S.C. 4605(j)) (as
 13 in effect pursuant to the International Emergency
 14 Economic Powers Act), section 620A of the Foreign
 15 Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2371), section 40
 16 of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2780),
 17 or any other provision of law, is a government that
 18 has repeatedly provided support for acts of inter-
 19 national terrorism.

20 **SEC. 3. DETERMINATION ON THE DESIGNATION OF THE**
 21 **RUSSIAN FEDERATION AS A STATE SPONSOR**
 22 **OF TERRORISM.**

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
 24 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State
 25 shall submit a determination to the appropriate congres-

1 sional committees that indicates whether the Russian Fed-
 2 eration meets the criteria to be designated as a state spon-
 3 sor of terrorism.

4 (b) FORM.—The determination required under sub-
 5 section (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but
 6 may include a classified annex, if appropriate.

7 **SEC. 4. DETERMINATION ON THE DESIGNATION OF THE**
 8 **RUSSIAN-SUPPORTED ARMED FORCES IN THE**
 9 **DONBAS REGION OF UKRAINE AS FOREIGN**
 10 **TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
 12 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State
 13 shall submit a determination to the appropriate congres-
 14 sional committees that indicates whether armed entities
 15 that are physically present in the Donbas region of
 16 Ukraine and are controlled or aided by the Russian Fed-
 17 eration, or armed entities that are associated or controlled
 18 by the “Donetsk People’s Republic” or the “Lugansk Peo-
 19 ple’s Republic”, meet the criteria to be designated as for-
 20 eign terrorist organizations under section 219 of the Im-
 21 migration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1189).

22 (b) FORM.—The determination required under sub-
 23 section (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but
 24 may include a classified annex, if appropriate.

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