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AN ACT

To provide congressional review and to counter Iranian and
Russian governments' aggression.

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

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

2 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the
 3 “Countering Iran’s Destabilizing Activities Act of 2017”.

4 (b) **TABLE OF CONTENTS.**—The table of contents for
 5 this Act is as follows:

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1 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

2 In this Act:

3 (1) ACT OF INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM.—The
 4 term “act of international terrorism” has the mean-
 5 ing given that term in section 14 of the Iran Sanc-
 6 tions Act of 1996 (Public Law 104–172; 50 U.S.C.
 7 1701 note).

8 (2) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
 9 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
 10 mittees” has the meaning given that term in section
 11 14 of the Iran Sanctions Act of 1996 (Public Law
 12 104–172; 50 U.S.C. 1701 note).

13 (3) FOREIGN PERSON.—The term “foreign per-
 14 son” means a person that is not a United States
 15 person.

1 (4) IRANIAN PERSON.—The term “Iranian per-
2 son” means—

3 (A) an individual who is a citizen or na-
4 tional of Iran; or

5 (B) an entity organized under the laws of
6 Iran or otherwise subject to the jurisdiction of
7 the Government of Iran.

8 (5) IRGC.—The term “IRGC” means Iran’s Is-
9 lamic Revolutionary Guard Corps.

10 (6) KNOWINGLY.—The term “knowingly” has
11 the meaning given that term in section 14 of the
12 Iran Sanctions Act of 1996 (Public Law 104–172;
13 50 U.S.C. 1701 note).

14 (7) UNITED STATES PERSON.—The term
15 “United States person” means—

16 (A) a United States citizen or an alien law-
17 fully admitted for permanent residence to the
18 United States; or

19 (B) an entity organized under the laws of
20 the United States or of any jurisdiction within
21 the United States, including a foreign branch of
22 such an entity.

1 **SEC. 3. REGIONAL STRATEGY FOR COUNTERING CONVEN-**
2 **TIONAL AND ASYMMETRIC IRANIAN THREATS**
3 **IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
5 date of the enactment of this Act, and every 2 years there-
6 after, the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Defense,
7 the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Director of Na-
8 tional Intelligence shall jointly develop and submit to the
9 appropriate congressional committees a strategy for deter-
10 ring conventional and asymmetric Iranian activities and
11 threats that directly threaten the United States and key
12 allies in the Middle East, North Africa, and beyond.

13 (b) ELEMENTS.—The strategy required by subsection
14 (a) shall include at a minimum the following:

15 (1) A summary of the near- and long-term
16 United States objectives, plans, and means for coun-
17 tering Iran’s destabilizing activities, including identi-
18 fication of countries that share the objective of coun-
19 tering Iran’s destabilizing activities.

20 (2) A summary of the capabilities and contribu-
21 tions of individual countries to shared efforts to
22 counter Iran’s destabilizing activities, and a sum-
23 mary of additional actions or contributions that each
24 country could take to further contribute.

25 (3) An assessment of Iran’s conventional force
26 capabilities and an assessment of Iran’s plans to up-

1 grade its conventional force capabilities, including its
2 acquisition, development, and deployment of ballistic
3 and cruise missile capabilities, unmanned aerial vehi-
4 cles, and maritime offensive and anti-access or area
5 denial capabilities.

6 (4) An assessment of Iran's chemical and bio-
7 logical weapons capabilities and an assessment of
8 Iranian plans to upgrade its chemical or biological
9 weapons capabilities.

10 (5) An assessment of Iran's asymmetric activi-
11 ties in the region, including—

12 (A) the size, capabilities, and activities of
13 the IRGC, including the Quds Force;

14 (B) the size, capabilities, and activities of
15 Iran's cyber operations;

16 (C) the types and amount of support, in-
17 cluding funding, lethal and nonlethal contribu-
18 tions, and training, provided to Hezbollah,
19 Hamas, special groups in Iraq, the regime of
20 Bashar al-Assad in Syria, Houthi fighters in
21 Yemen, and other violent groups across the
22 Middle East; and

23 (D) the scope and objectives of Iran's in-
24 formation operations and use of propaganda.

(6) A summary of United States actions, unilaterally and in cooperation with foreign governments, to counter destabilizing Iranian activities, including—

(A) interdiction of Iranian lethal arms bound for groups designated as foreign terrorist organizations under section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1189);

(B) Iran’s interference in international commercial shipping lanes;

(C) attempts by Iran to undermine or subvert internationally recognized governments in the Middle East region; and

(D) Iran’s support for the regime of Bashar al-Assad in Syria, including—

(i) financial assistance, military equipment and personnel, and other support provided to that regime; and

(ii) support and direction to other armed actors that are not Syrian or Iranian and are acting on behalf of that regime.

(c) FORM OF STRATEGY.—The strategy required by subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

1 **SEC. 4. IMPOSITION OF ADDITIONAL SANCTIONS IN RE-**
2 **SPONSE TO IRAN'S BALLISTIC MISSILE PRO-**
3 **GRAM.**

4 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
5 gress that the Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary
6 of State should continue to implement Executive Order
7 13382 (50 U.S.C. 1701 note; relating to blocking property
8 of weapons of mass destruction delivery system
9 proliferators and their supporters).

10 (b) IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS.—The President shall
11 impose the sanctions described in subsection (c) with re-
12 spect to any person that the President determines, on or
13 after the date of the enactment of this Act—

14 (1) knowingly engages in any activity that ma-
15 terially contributes to the activities of the Govern-
16 ment of Iran with respect to its ballistic missile pro-
17 gram, or any other program in Iran for developing,
18 deploying, or maintaining systems capable of deliv-
19 ering weapons of mass destruction, including any ef-
20 forts to manufacture, acquire, possess, develop,
21 transport, transfer, or use such capabilities;

22 (2) is a successor entity to a person referred to
23 in paragraph (1);

24 (3) owns or controls or is owned or controlled
25 by a person referred to in paragraph (1);

(4) forms an entity with the purpose of evading sanctions that would otherwise be imposed pursuant to paragraph (3);

(5) is acting for or on behalf of a person referred to in paragraph (1), (2), (3), or (4); or

(6) knowingly provides or attempts to provide financial, material, technological, or other support for, or goods or services in support of, a person referred to in paragraph (1), (2), (3), (4) or (5).

(c) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—The sanctions described in this subsection are the following:

(1) BLOCKING OF PROPERTY.—The President shall block, in accordance with the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.), all transactions in all property and interests in property of any person subject to subsection (b) if such property and interests in property are in the United States, come within the United States, or are or come within the possession or control of a United States person.

(2) EXCLUSION FROM UNITED STATES.—The Secretary of State shall deny a visa to, and the Secretary of Homeland Security shall exclude from the United States, any person subject to subsection (b) that is an alien.

1 (d) PENALTIES.—A person that violates, attempts to
2 violate, conspires to violate, or causes a violation of sub-
3 section (c)(1) or any regulation, license, or order issued
4 to carry out that subsection shall be subject to the pen-
5 alties set forth in subsections (b) and (c) of section 206
6 of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50
7 U.S.C. 1705) to the same extent as a person that commits
8 an unlawful act described in subsection (a) of that section.

9 (e) REPORT ON CONTRIBUTIONS TO IRAN’S BAL-
10 LISTIC MISSILE PROGRAM.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
12 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and
13 every 180 days thereafter, the President shall sub-
14 mit to the appropriate congressional committees a
15 report describing each person that—

16 (A) has, during the period specified in
17 paragraph (2), conducted any activity that has
18 materially contributed to the activities of the
19 Government of Iran with respect to its ballistic
20 missile program, or any other program in Iran
21 for developing, deploying, or maintaining sys-
22 tems capable of delivering weapons of mass de-
23 struction, including any efforts to manufacture,
24 acquire, possess, develop, transport, transfer, or
25 use such capabilities;

1 (B) is a successor entity to a person re-
2 ferred to in subparagraph (A);

3 (C) owns or controls or is owned or con-
4 trolled by a person referred to in subparagraph
5 (A);

6 (D) forms an entity with the purpose of
7 evading sanctions that could be imposed as a
8 result of a relationship described in subpara-
9 graph (C);

10 (E) is acting for or on behalf of a person
11 referred to in subparagraph (A), (B), (C), or
12 (D); or

13 (F) is known or believed to have provided,
14 or attempted to provide, during the period spec-
15 ified in paragraph (2), financial, material, tech-
16 nological, or other support for, or goods or serv-
17 ices in support of, any material contribution to
18 a program described in subparagraph (A) car-
19 ried out by a person described in subparagraph
20 (A), (B), (C), (D), or (E).

21 (2) PERIOD SPECIFIED.—The period specified
22 in this paragraph is—

23 (A) in the case of the first report sub-
24 mitted under paragraph (1), the period begin-

ning January 1, 2016, and ending on the date
the report is submitted; and

(B) in the case of a subsequent such report, the 180-day period preceding the submission of the report.

(3) FORM OF REPORT.—Each report required by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may include a classified annex.

**SEC. 5. IMPOSITION OF TERRORISM-RELATED SANCTIONS
WITH RESPECT TO THE IRGC.**

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following findings:

(1) The IRGC is subject to sanctions pursuant to Executive Order 13382 (50 U.S.C. 1701 note; relating to blocking property of weapons of mass destruction delivery system proliferators and their supporters), the Comprehensive Iran Sanctions, Accountability, and Divestment Act of 2010 (22 U.S.C. 8501 et seq.), Executive Order 13553 (50 U.S.C. 1701 note; relating to blocking property of certain persons with respect to serious human rights abuses by the Government of Iran), and Executive Order 13606 (50 U.S.C. 1701 note; relating to blocking the property and suspending entry into the United States of certain persons with respect to grave

1 human rights abuses by the Governments of Iran
2 and Syria via information technology).

3 (2) The Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps–
4 Quds Force (in this section referred to as the
5 “IRGC–QF”) is the primary arm of the Government
6 of Iran for executing its policy of supporting ter-
7 rorist and insurgent groups. The IRGC–QF provides
8 material, logistical assistance, training, and financial
9 support to militants and terrorist operatives
10 throughout the Middle East and South Asia and was
11 designated for the imposition of sanctions by the
12 Secretary of Treasury pursuant to Executive Order
13 13224 (50 U.S.C. 1701 note; relating to blocking
14 property and prohibiting transactions with persons
15 who commit, threaten to commit, or support ter-
16 rorism) in October 2007 for its support of terrorism.

17 (3) The IRGC, not just the IRGC–QF, is re-
18 sponsible for implementing Iran’s international pro-
19 gram of destabilizing activities, support for acts of
20 international terrorism, and ballistic missile pro-
21 gram.

22 (b) IN GENERAL.—Beginning on the date that is 90
23 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Presi-
24 dent shall impose the sanctions described in subsection (c)

1 with respect to the IRGC and foreign persons that are
 2 officials, agents, or affiliates of the IRGC.

3 (c) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—The sanctions de-
 4 scribed in this subsection are sanctions applicable with re-
 5 spect to a foreign person pursuant to Executive Order
 6 13224 (50 U.S.C. 1701 note; relating to blocking property
 7 and prohibiting transactions with persons who commit,
 8 threaten to commit, or support terrorism).

9 **SEC. 6. IMPOSITION OF ADDITIONAL SANCTIONS WITH RE-**
 10 **SPECT TO PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR**
 11 **HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES.**

12 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
 13 date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter,
 14 the Secretary of State shall submit to the appropriate con-
 15 gressional committees a list of each person the Secretary
 16 determines, based on credible evidence, on or after the
 17 date of the enactment of this Act—

18 (1) is responsible for extrajudicial killings, tor-
 19 ture, or other gross violations of internationally rec-
 20 ognized human rights committed against individuals
 21 in Iran who seek—

22 (A) to expose illegal activity carried out by
 23 officials of the Government of Iran; or

24 (B) to obtain, exercise, defend, or promote
 25 internationally recognized human rights and

1 freedoms, such as the freedoms of religion, ex-
2 pression, association, and assembly, and the
3 rights to a fair trial and democratic elections;
4 or

5 (2) acts as an agent of or on behalf of a foreign
6 person in a matter relating to an activity described
7 in paragraph (1).

8 (b) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—The President may, in ac-
10 cordance with the International Emergency Eco-
11 nomic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.), block
12 all transactions in all property and interests in prop-
13 erty of a person on the list required by subsection
14 (a) if such property and interests in property are in
15 the United States, come within the United States, or
16 are or come within the possession or control of a
17 United States person.

18 (2) PENALTIES.—A person that violates, at-
19 tempts to violate, conspires to violate, or causes a
20 violation of paragraph (1) or any regulation, license,
21 or order issued to carry out paragraph (1) shall be
22 subject to the penalties set forth in subsections (b)
23 and (c) of section 206 of the International Emer-
24 gency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1705) to the

1 same extent as a person that commits an unlawful
2 act described in subsection (a) of that section.

3 **SEC. 7. ENFORCEMENT OF ARMS EMBARGOS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection
5 (d), the President shall impose the sanctions described in
6 subsection (b) with respect to any person that the Presi-
7 dent determines—

8 (1) knowingly engages in any activity that ma-
9 terially contributes to the supply, sale, or transfer
10 directly or indirectly to or from Iran, or for the use
11 in or benefit of Iran, of any battle tanks, armored
12 combat vehicles, large caliber artillery systems, com-
13 bat aircraft, attack helicopters, warships, missiles or
14 missile systems, as defined for the purpose of the
15 United Nations Register of Conventional Arms, or
16 related materiel, including spare parts; or

17 (2) knowingly provides to Iran any technical
18 training, financial resources or services, advice, other
19 services or assistance related to the supply, sale,
20 transfer, manufacture, maintenance, or use of arms
21 and related materiel described in paragraph (1).

22 (b) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—

23 (1) BLOCKING OF PROPERTY.—The President
24 shall block, in accordance with the International
25 Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701

1 et seq.), all transactions in all property and interests
2 in property of any person subject to subsection (a)
3 if such property and interests in property are in the
4 United States, come within the United States, or are
5 or come within the possession or control of a United
6 States person.

7 (2) EXCLUSION FROM UNITED STATES.—The
8 Secretary of State shall deny a visa to, and the Sec-
9 retary of Homeland Security shall exclude from the
10 United States, any person subject to subsection (a)
11 that is an alien.

12 (c) PENALTIES.—A person that violates, attempts to
13 violate, conspires to violate, or causes a violation of sub-
14 section (b)(1) or any regulation, license, or order issued
15 to carry out that subsection shall be subject to the pen-
16 alties set forth in subsections (b) and (c) of section 206
17 of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50
18 U.S.C. 1705) to the same extent as a person that commits
19 an unlawful act described in subsection (a) of that section.

20 (d) EXCEPTION.—The President is not required to
21 impose sanctions under subsection (a) with respect to a
22 person for engaging in an activity described in that sub-
23 section if the President certifies to the appropriate con-
24 gressional committees that—

1 (1) permitting the activity is in the national se-
2 curity interest of the United States;

3 (2) Iran no longer presents a significant threat
4 to the national security of the United States and to
5 the allies of the United States; and

6 (3) the Government of Iran has ceased pro-
7 viding operational or financial support for acts of
8 international terrorism and no longer satisfies the
9 requirements for designation as a state sponsor of
10 terrorism.

11 (e) STATE SPONSOR OF TERRORISM DEFINED.—In
12 this section, the term “state sponsor of terrorism” means
13 a country the government of which the Secretary of State
14 has determined to be a government that has repeatedly
15 provided support for acts of international terrorism for
16 purposes of—

17 (1) section 6(j)(1)(A) of the Export Administra-
18 tion Act of 1979 (50 U.S.C. 4605(j)(1)(A)) (as con-
19 tinued in effect pursuant to the International Emer-
20 gency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et
21 seq.));

22 (2) section 620A(a) of the Foreign Assistance
23 Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2371(a));

24 (3) section 40(d) of the Arms Export Control
25 Act (22 U.S.C. 2780(d)); or

1 (4) any other provision of law.

2 **SEC. 8. REVIEW OF APPLICABILITY OF SANCTIONS RELAT-**
3 **ING TO IRAN’S SUPPORT FOR TERRORISM**
4 **AND ITS BALLISTIC MISSILE PROGRAM.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 5 years after the
6 date of the enactment of this Act, the President shall con-
7 duct a review of all persons on the list of specially des-
8 ignated nationals and blocked persons maintained by the
9 Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the
10 Treasury for activities relating to Iran—

11 (1) to assess the conduct of such persons as
12 that conduct relates to—

13 (A) any activity that materially contributes
14 to the activities of the Government of Iran with
15 respect to its ballistic missile program; or

16 (B) support by the Government of Iran for
17 acts of international terrorism; and

18 (2) to determine the applicability of sanctions
19 with respect to such persons under—

20 (A) Executive Order 13382 (50 U.S.C.
21 1701 note; relating to blocking property of
22 weapons of mass destruction delivery system
23 proliferators and their supporters); or

24 (B) Executive Order 13224 (50 U.S.C.
25 1701 note; relating to blocking property and

1 prohibiting transactions with persons who com-
2 mit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism).

3 (b) IMPLEMENTATION OF SANCTIONS.—If the Presi-
4 dent determines under subsection (a) that sanctions under
5 an Executive Order specified in paragraph (2) of that sub-
6 section are applicable with respect to a person, the Presi-
7 dent shall—

8 (1) impose sanctions with respect to that person
9 pursuant to that Executive Order; or

10 (2) exercise the waiver authority provided under
11 section 12.

12 **SEC. 9. REPORT ON COORDINATION OF SANCTIONS BE-**
13 **TWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE EURO-**
14 **PEAN UNION.**

15 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
16 date of the enactment of this Act, and every 180 days
17 thereafter, the President shall submit to the appropriate
18 congressional committees a report that includes the fol-
19 lowing:

20 (1) A description of each instance, during the
21 period specified in subsection (b)—

22 (A) in which the United States has im-
23 posed sanctions with respect to a person for ac-
24 tivity related to the proliferation of weapons of
25 mass destruction or delivery systems for such

1 weapons to or by Iran, support for acts of inter-
2 national terrorism by Iran, or human rights
3 abuses in Iran, but in which the European
4 Union has not imposed corresponding sanctions;
5 and

6 (B) in which the European Union has im-
7 posed sanctions with respect to a person for ac-
8 tivity related to the proliferation of weapons of
9 mass destruction or delivery systems for such
10 weapons to or by Iran, support for acts of inter-
11 national terrorism by Iran, or human rights
12 abuses in Iran, but in which the United States
13 has not imposed corresponding sanctions.

14 (2) An explanation for the reason for each dis-
15 crepancy between sanctions imposed by the Euro-
16 pean Union and sanctions imposed by the United
17 States described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of
18 paragraph (1).

19 (b) PERIOD SPECIFIED.—The period specified in this
20 subsection is—

21 (1) in the case of the first report submitted
22 under subsection (a), the period beginning on the
23 date of the enactment of this Act and ending on the
24 date the report is submitted; and

1 (2) in the case of a subsequent such report, the
2 180-day period preceding the submission of the re-
3 port.

4 (c) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required by sub-
5 section (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may
6 include a classified annex.

7 **SEC. 10. REPORT ON UNITED STATES CITIZENS DETAINED**
8 **BY IRAN.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
10 date of the enactment of this Act, and every 180 days
11 thereafter, the President shall submit to the appropriate
12 congressional committees a report on United States citi-
13 zens, including United States citizens who are also citizens
14 of other countries, detained by Iran or groups supported
15 by Iran that includes—

16 (1) information regarding any officials of the
17 Government of Iran involved in any way in the de-
18 tentions; and

19 (2) a summary of efforts the United States
20 Government has taken to secure the swift release of
21 those United States citizens.

22 (b) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required by sub-
23 section (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but
24 may include a classified annex.

1 **SEC. 11. EXCEPTIONS FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AND HU-**
2 **MANITARIAN ASSISTANCE; RULE OF CON-**
3 **STRUCTION.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—The following activities shall be
5 exempt from sanctions under sections 4, 5, 6, and 7:

6 (1) Any activity subject to the reporting re-
7 quirements under title V of the National Security
8 Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.), or to any au-
9 thorized intelligence activities of the United States.

10 (2) The admission of an alien to the United
11 States if such admission is necessary to comply with
12 United States obligations under the Agreement be-
13 tween the United Nations and the United States of
14 America regarding the Headquarters of the United
15 Nations, signed at Lake Success June 26, 1947, and
16 entered into force November 21, 1947, or under the
17 Convention on Consular Relations, done at Vienna
18 April 24, 1963, and entered into force March 19,
19 1967, or other applicable international obligations of
20 the United States.

21 (3) The conduct or facilitation of a transaction
22 for the sale of agricultural commodities, food, medi-
23 cine, or medical devices to Iran or for the provision
24 of humanitarian assistance to the people of Iran, in-
25 cluding engaging in a financial transaction relating
26 to humanitarian assistance or for humanitarian pur-

1 poses or transporting goods or services that are nec-
 2 essary to carry out operations relating to humani-
 3 tarian assistance or humanitarian purposes.

4 (b) EXCEPTION RELATING TO IMPORTATION OF
 5 GOODS.—A requirement or the authority to block and pro-
 6 hibit all transactions in all property and interests in prop-
 7 erty under section 4, 5, 6, 7, or 8 shall not include the
 8 authority to impose sanctions with respect to the importa-
 9 tion of goods.

10 (c) IMPLEMENTATION.—Except as provided in sub-
 11 section (b), the President may exercise all authorities pro-
 12 vided under sections 203 and 205 of the International
 13 Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1702 and
 14 1704) to carry out this Act.

15 (d) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this Act
 16 (other than subsection (b)) shall be construed to limit the
 17 authority of the President under the International Emer-
 18 gency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.).

19 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

20 (1) AGRICULTURAL COMMODITY.—The term
 21 “agricultural commodity” has the meaning given
 22 that term in section 102 of the Agricultural Trade
 23 Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5602).

24 (2) GOOD.—The term “good” has the meaning
 25 given that term in section 16 of the Export Adminis-

1 tration Act of 1979 (50 U.S.C. 4618) (as continued
2 in effect pursuant to the International Emergency
3 Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.)).

4 (3) MEDICAL DEVICE.—The term “medical de-
5 vice” has the meaning given the term “device” in
6 section 201 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cos-
7 metic Act (21 U.S.C. 321).

8 (4) MEDICINE.—The term “medicine” has the
9 meaning given the term “drug” in section 201 of the
10 Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C.
11 321).

12 **SEC. 12. PRESIDENTIAL WAIVER AUTHORITY.**

13 (a) CASE-BY-CASE WAIVER AUTHORITY.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—The President may waive,
15 on a case-by-case basis and for a period of not more
16 than 180 days, a requirement under section 4, 5, 6,
17 7, or 8 to impose or maintain sanctions with respect
18 to a person, and may waive the continued imposition
19 of such sanctions, not less than 30 days after the
20 President determines and reports to the appropriate
21 congressional committees that it is vital to the na-
22 tional security interests of the United States to
23 waive such sanctions.

24 (2) RENEWAL OF WAIVERS.—The President
25 may, on a case-by-case basis, renew a waiver under

1 paragraph (1) for an additional period of not more
2 than 180 days if, not later than 15 days before that
3 waiver expires, the President makes the determina-
4 tion and submits to the appropriate congressional
5 committees a report described in paragraph (1).

6 (3) SUCCESSIVE RENEWAL.—The renewal au-
7 thority provided under paragraph (2) may be exer-
8 cised for additional successive periods of not more
9 than 180 days if the President follows the proce-
10 dures set forth in paragraph (2), and submits the
11 report described in paragraph (1), for each such re-
12 newal.

13 (b) CONTENTS OF WAIVER REPORTS.—Each report
14 submitted under subsection (a) in connection with a waiv-
15 er of sanctions under section 4, 5, 6, 7, or 8 with respect
16 to a person, or the renewal of such a waiver, shall in-
17 clude—

18 (1) a specific and detailed rationale for the de-
19 termination that the waiver is vital to the national
20 security interests of the United States;

21 (2) a description of the activity that resulted in
22 the person being subject to sanctions;

23 (3) an explanation of any efforts made by the
24 United States, as applicable, to secure the coopera-
25 tion of the government with primary jurisdiction

1 over the person or the location where the activity de-
2 scribed in paragraph (2) occurred in terminating or,
3 as appropriate, penalizing the activity; and

4 (4) an assessment of the significance of the ac-
5 tivity described in paragraph (2) in contributing to
6 the ability of Iran to threaten the interests of the
7 United States or allies of the United States, develop
8 systems capable of delivering weapons of mass de-
9 struction, support acts of international terrorism, or
10 violate the human rights of any person in Iran.

11 (c) EFFECT OF REPORT ON WAIVER.—If the Presi-
12 dent submits a report under subsection (a) in connection
13 with a waiver of sanctions under section 4, 5, 6, 7, or
14 8 with respect to a person, or the renewal of such a waiver,
15 the President shall not be required to impose or maintain
16 sanctions under section 4, 5, 6, 7, or 8, as applicable, with
17 respect to the person described in the report during the
18 30-day period referred to in subsection (a).

1 **TITLE II—SANCTIONS WITH RE-**
2 **SPECT TO THE RUSSIAN FED-**
3 **ERATION AND COMBATING**
4 **TERRORISM AND ILLICIT FI-**
5 **NANCING**

6 **SEC. 201. SHORT TITLE.**

7 This title may be cited as the “Countering Russian
8 Influence in Europe and Eurasia Act of 2017”.

9 **Subtitle A—Sanctions and Other**
10 **Measures With Respect to the**
11 **Russian Federation**

12 **SEC. 211. FINDINGS.**

13 Congress makes the following findings:

14 (1) On March 6, 2014, President Barack
15 Obama issued Executive Order 13660 (79 Fed. Reg.
16 13493; relating to blocking property of certain per-
17 sons contributing to the situation in Ukraine), which
18 authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury, in con-
19 sultation with the Secretary of State, to impose
20 sanctions on those determined to be undermining
21 democratic processes and institutions in Ukraine or
22 threatening the peace, security, stability, sov-
23 ereignty, and territorial integrity of Ukraine. Presi-
24 dent Obama subsequently issued Executive Order
25 13661 (79 Fed. Reg. 15535; relating to blocking

1 property of additional persons contributing to the
2 situation in Ukraine) and Executive Order 13662
3 (79 Fed. Reg. 16169; relating to blocking property
4 of additional persons contributing to the situation in
5 Ukraine) to expand sanctions on certain persons
6 contributing to the situation in Ukraine.

7 (2) On December 18, 2014, the Ukraine Free-
8 dom Support Act of 2014 was enacted (Public Law
9 113–272; 22 U.S.C. 8921 et seq.), which includes
10 provisions directing the President to impose sanc-
11 tions on foreign persons that the President deter-
12 mines to be entities owned or controlled by the Gov-
13 ernment of the Russian Federation or nationals of
14 the Russian Federation that manufacture, sell,
15 transfer, or otherwise provide certain defense articles
16 into Syria.

17 (3) On April 1, 2015, President Obama issued
18 Executive Order 13694 (80 Fed. Reg. 18077; relat-
19 ing to blocking the property of certain persons en-
20 gaging in significant malicious cyber-enabled activi-
21 ties), which authorizes the Secretary of the Treas-
22 ury, in consultation with the Attorney General and
23 the Secretary of State, to impose sanctions on per-
24 sons determined to be engaged in malicious cyber-
25 hacking.

1 (4) On July 26, 2016, President Obama ap-
2 proved a Presidential Policy Directive on United
3 States Cyber Incident Coordination, which states,
4 “certain cyber incidents that have significant im-
5 pacts on an entity, our national security, or the
6 broader economy require a unique approach to re-
7 sponse efforts”.

8 (5) On December 29, 2016, President Obama
9 issued an annex to Executive Order 13694, which
10 authorized sanctions on the following entities and in-
11 dividuals:

12 (A) The Main Intelligence Directorate
13 (also known as Glavnoe Razvedyvatel’noe
14 Upravlenie or the GRU) in Moscow, Russian
15 Federation.

16 (B) The Federal Security Service (also
17 known as Federalnaya Sluzhba Bezopasnosti or
18 the FSB) in Moscow, Russian Federation.

19 (C) The Special Technology Center (also
20 known as STLC, Ltd. Special Technology Cen-
21 ter St. Petersburg) in St. Petersburg, Russian
22 Federation.

23 (D) Zorsecurity (also known as Esage
24 Lab) in Moscow, Russian Federation.

(E) The autonomous noncommercial organization known as the Professional Association of Designers of Data Processing Systems (also known as ANO PO KSI) in Moscow, Russian Federation.

(F) Igor Valentinovich Korobov.

(G) Sergey Aleksandrovich Gizunov.

(H) Igor Olegovich Kostyukov.

(I) Vladimir Stepanovich Alexseyev.

(6) On January 6, 2017, an assessment of the United States intelligence community entitled, “Assessing Russian Activities and Intentions in Recent U.S. Elections” stated, “Russian President Vladimir Putin ordered an influence campaign in 2016 aimed at the United States presidential election.” The assessment warns that “Moscow will apply lessons learned from its Putin-ordered campaign aimed at the U.S. Presidential election to future influence efforts worldwide, including against U.S. allies and their election processes”.

SEC. 212. SENSE OF CONGRESS.

It is the sense of Congress that the President—

(1) should engage to the fullest extent possible with partner governments with regard to closing loopholes, including the allowance of extended pre-

1 payment for the delivery of goods and commodities
 2 and other loopholes, in multilateral and unilateral
 3 restrictive measures against the Russian Federation,
 4 with the aim of maximizing alignment of those
 5 measures; and

6 (2) should increase efforts to vigorously enforce
 7 compliance with sanctions in place as of the date of
 8 the enactment of this Act with respect to the Rus-
 9 sian Federation in response to the crisis in eastern
 10 Ukraine, cyber intrusions and attacks, and human
 11 rights violators in the Russian Federation.

12 **PART I—CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW OF SANC-**
 13 **TIONS IMPOSED WITH RESPECT TO THE RUS-**
 14 **SIAN FEDERATION**

15 **SEC. 215. SHORT TITLE.**

16 The part may be cited as the “Russia Sanctions Re-
 17 view Act of 2017”.

18 **SEC. 216. CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW OF CERTAIN ACTIONS**
 19 **RELATING TO SANCTIONS IMPOSED WITH RE-**
 20 **SPECT TO THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION.**

21 (a) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS OF PROPOSED AC-
 22 TION.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other
 24 provision of law, before taking any action described
 25 in paragraph (2), the President shall submit to the

1 appropriate congressional committees and leadership
2 a report that describes the proposed action and the
3 reasons for that action.

4 (2) ACTIONS DESCRIBED.—

5 (A) IN GENERAL.—An action described in
6 this paragraph is—

7 (i) an action to terminate the applica-
8 tion of any sanctions described in subpara-
9 graph (B);

10 (ii) with respect to sanctions described
11 in subparagraph (B) imposed by the Presi-
12 dent with respect to a person, an action to
13 waive the application of those sanctions
14 with respect to that person; or

15 (iii) a licensing action that signifi-
16 cantly alters United States' foreign policy
17 with regard to the Russian Federation.

18 (B) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—The sanc-
19 tions described in this subparagraph are—

20 (i) sanctions provided for under—

21 (I) this title or any provision of
22 law amended by this title, including
23 the Executive Orders codified under
24 section 222;

1 (II) the Support for the Sov-
 2 ereignty, Integrity, Democracy, and
 3 Economic Stability of Ukraine Act of
 4 2014 (22 U.S.C. 8901 et seq.); or

5 (III) the Ukraine Freedom Sup-
 6 port Act of 2014 (22 U.S.C. 8921 et
 7 seq.); and

8 (ii) the prohibition on access to the
 9 properties of the Government of the Rus-
 10 sian Federation located in Maryland and
 11 New York that the President ordered va-
 12 cated on December 29, 2016.

13 (3) DESCRIPTION OF TYPE OF ACTION.—Each
 14 report submitted under paragraph (1) with respect
 15 to an action described in paragraph (2) shall include
 16 a description of whether the action—

17 (A) is not intended to significantly alter
 18 United States foreign policy with regard to the
 19 Russian Federation; or

20 (B) is intended to significantly alter
 21 United States foreign policy with regard to the
 22 Russian Federation.

23 (4) INCLUSION OF ADDITIONAL MATTER.—

24 (A) IN GENERAL.—Each report submitted
 25 under paragraph (1) that relates to an action

1 that is intended to significantly alter United
2 States foreign policy with regard to the Russian
3 Federation shall include a description of—

4 (i) the significant alteration to United
5 States foreign policy with regard to the
6 Russian Federation;

7 (ii) the anticipated effect of the action
8 on the national security interests of the
9 United States; and

10 (iii) the policy objectives for which the
11 sanctions affected by the action were ini-
12 tially imposed.

13 (B) REQUESTS FROM BANKING AND FI-
14 NANCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEES.—The Com-
15 mittee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
16 of the Senate or the Committee on Financial
17 Services of the House of Representatives may
18 request the submission to the Committee of the
19 matter described in clauses (ii) and (iii) of sub-
20 paragraph (A) with respect to a report sub-
21 mitted under paragraph (1) that relates to an
22 action that is not intended to significantly alter
23 United States foreign policy with regard to the
24 Russian Federation.

25 (b) PERIOD FOR REVIEW BY CONGRESS.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—During the period of 30 cal-
2 endar days beginning on the date on which the
3 President submits a report under subsection
4 (a)(1)—

5 (A) in the case of a report that relates to
6 an action that is not intended to significantly
7 alter United States foreign policy with regard
8 to the Russian Federation, the Committee on
9 Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs of the
10 Senate and the Committee on Financial Serv-
11 ices of the House of Representatives should, as
12 appropriate, hold hearings and briefings and
13 otherwise obtain information in order to fully
14 review the report; and

15 (B) in the case of a report that relates to
16 an action that is intended to significantly alter
17 United States foreign policy with regard to the
18 Russian Federation, the Committee on Foreign
19 Relations of the Senate and the Committee on
20 Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives
21 should, as appropriate, hold hearings and brief-
22 ings and otherwise obtain information in order
23 to fully review the report.

24 (2) EXCEPTION.—The period for congressional
25 review under paragraph (1) of a report required to

1 be submitted under subsection (a)(1) shall be 60 cal-
2 endar days if the report is submitted on or after
3 July 10 and on or before September 7 in any cal-
4 endar year.

5 (3) LIMITATION ON ACTIONS DURING INITIAL
6 CONGRESSIONAL REVIEW PERIOD.—Notwithstanding
7 any other provision of law, during the period for
8 congressional review provided for under paragraph
9 (1) of a report submitted under subsection (a)(1)
10 proposing an action described in subsection (a)(2),
11 including any additional period for such review as
12 applicable under the exception provided in paragraph
13 (2), the President may not take that action unless
14 a joint resolution of approval with respect to that ac-
15 tion is enacted in accordance with subsection (c).

16 (4) LIMITATION ON ACTIONS DURING PRESI-
17 DENTIAL CONSIDERATION OF A JOINT RESOLUTION
18 OF DISAPPROVAL.—Notwithstanding any other pro-
19 vision of law, if a joint resolution of disapproval re-
20 lating to a report submitted under subsection (a)(1)
21 proposing an action described in subsection (a)(2)
22 passes both Houses of Congress in accordance with
23 subsection (c), the President may not take that ac-
24 tion for a period of 12 calendar days after the date
25 of passage of the joint resolution of disapproval.

1 (5) LIMITATION ON ACTIONS DURING CONGRES-
 2 SIONAL RECONSIDERATION OF A JOINT RESOLUTION
 3 OF DISAPPROVAL.—Notwithstanding any other pro-
 4 vision of law, if a joint resolution of disapproval re-
 5 lating to a report submitted under subsection (a)(1)
 6 proposing an action described in subsection (a)(2)
 7 passes both Houses of Congress in accordance with
 8 subsection (c), and the President vetoes the joint
 9 resolution, the President may not take that action
 10 for a period of 10 calendar days after the date of
 11 the President’s veto.

12 (6) EFFECT OF ENACTMENT OF A JOINT RESO-
 13 LUTION OF DISAPPROVAL.—Notwithstanding any
 14 other provision of law, if a joint resolution of dis-
 15 approval relating to a report submitted under sub-
 16 section (a)(1) proposing an action described in sub-
 17 section (a)(2) is enacted in accordance with sub-
 18 section (c), the President may not take that action.

19 (c) JOINT RESOLUTIONS OF DISAPPROVAL OR AP-
 20 PROVAL DEFINED.—In this subsection:

21 (1) JOINT RESOLUTION OF APPROVAL.—The
 22 term “joint resolution of approval” means only a
 23 joint resolution of either House of Congress—

24 (A) the title of which is as follows: “A joint
 25 resolution approving the President’s proposal to

1 take an action relating to the application of cer-
2 tain sanctions with respect to the Russian Fed-
3 eration.”; and

4 (B) the sole matter after the resolving
5 clause of which is the following: “Congress ap-
6 proves of the action relating to the application
7 of sanctions imposed with respect to the Rus-
8 sian Federation proposed by the President in
9 the report submitted to Congress under section
10 216(a)(1) of the Russia Sanctions Review Act
11 of 2017 on _____ relating to
12 _____.”, with the first blank space
13 being filled with the appropriate date and the
14 second blank space being filled with a short de-
15 scription of the proposed action.

16 (2) JOINT RESOLUTION OF DISAPPROVAL.—The
17 term “joint resolution of disapproval” means only a
18 joint resolution of either House of Congress—

19 (A) the title of which is as follows: “A joint
20 resolution disapproving the President’s proposal
21 to take an action relating to the application of
22 certain sanctions with respect to the Russian
23 Federation.”; and

24 (B) the sole matter after the resolving
25 clause of which is the following: “Congress dis-

1 approves of the action relating to the applica-
2 tion of sanctions imposed with respect to the
3 Russian Federation proposed by the President
4 in the report submitted to Congress under sec-
5 tion 216(a)(1) of the Russia Sanctions Review
6 Act of 2017 on _____ relating to
7 _____.”, with the first blank space
8 being filled with the appropriate date and the
9 second blank space being filled with a short de-
10 scription of the proposed action.

11 (3) INTRODUCTION.—During the period of 30
12 calendar days provided for under subsection (b)(1),
13 including any additional period as applicable under
14 the exception provided in subsection (b)(2), a joint
15 resolution of approval or joint resolution of dis-
16 approval may be introduced—

17 (A) in the House of Representatives, by
18 the majority leader or the minority leader; and

19 (B) in the Senate, by the majority leader
20 (or the majority leader’s designee) or the mi-
21 nority leader (or the minority leader’s des-
22 ignee).

23 (4) FLOOR CONSIDERATION IN HOUSE OF REP-
24 RESENTATIVES.—

1 (A) REPORTING AND DISCHARGE.—If a
2 committee of the House of Representatives to
3 which a joint resolution of approval or joint res-
4 olution of disapproval has been referred has not
5 reported the joint resolution within 10 calendar
6 days after the date of referral, that committee
7 shall be discharged from further consideration
8 of the joint resolution.

9 (B) PROCEEDING TO CONSIDERATION.—
10 Beginning on the third legislative day after
11 each committee to which a joint resolution of
12 approval or joint resolution of disapproval has
13 been referred reports the joint resolution to the
14 House or has been discharged from further con-
15 sideration of the joint resolution, it shall be in
16 order to move to proceed to consider the joint
17 resolution in the House. All points of order
18 against the motion are waived. Such a motion
19 shall not be in order after the House has dis-
20 posed of a motion to proceed on the joint reso-
21 lution. The previous question shall be consid-
22 ered as ordered on the motion to its adoption
23 without intervening motion. The motion shall
24 not be debatable. A motion to reconsider the

1 vote by which the motion is disposed of shall
2 not be in order.

3 (C) CONSIDERATION.—The joint resolution
4 of approval or joint resolution of disapproval
5 shall be considered as read. All points of order
6 against the joint resolution and against its con-
7 sideration are waived. The previous question
8 shall be considered as ordered on the joint reso-
9 lution to final passage without intervening mo-
10 tion except 2 hours of debate equally divided
11 and controlled by the sponsor of the joint reso-
12 lution (or a designee) and an opponent. A mo-
13 tion to reconsider the vote on passage of the
14 joint resolution shall not be in order.

15 (5) CONSIDERATION IN THE SENATE.—

16 (A) COMMITTEE REFERRAL.—A joint reso-
17 lution of approval or joint resolution of dis-
18 approval introduced in the Senate shall be—

19 (i) referred to the Committee on
20 Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs if
21 the joint resolution relates to a report
22 under section 216 A3 that is described as
23 an action that is not intended to signifi-
24 cantly alter United States foreign policy

1 with regard to the Russian Federation;
2 and

3 (ii) referred to the Committee on For-
4 eign Relations if the joint resolution relates
5 to a report under section 216 A3 that is
6 described as an action that is intended to
7 significantly alter United States foreign
8 policy with respect to the Russian Federa-
9 tion.

10 (B) REPORTING AND DISCHARGE.—If the
11 committee to which a joint resolution of ap-
12 proval or joint resolution of disapproval was re-
13 ferred has not reported the joint resolution
14 within 10 calendar days after the date of refer-
15 ral of the joint resolution, that committee shall
16 be discharged from further consideration of the
17 joint resolution and the joint resolution shall be
18 placed on the appropriate calendar.

19 (C) PROCEEDING TO CONSIDERATION.—
20 Notwithstanding Rule XXII of the Standing
21 Rules of the Senate, it is in order at any time
22 after the Committee on Banking, Housing, and
23 Urban Affairs or the Committee on Foreign Re-
24 lations, as the case may be, reports a joint reso-
25 lution of approval or joint resolution of dis-

1 approval to the Senate or has been discharged
 2 from consideration of such a joint resolution
 3 (even though a previous motion to the same ef-
 4 fect has been disagreed to) to move to proceed
 5 to the consideration of the joint resolution, and
 6 all points of order against the joint resolution
 7 (and against consideration of the joint resolu-
 8 tion) are waived. The motion to proceed is not
 9 debatable. The motion is not subject to a mo-
 10 tion to postpone. A motion to reconsider the
 11 vote by which the motion is agreed to or dis-
 12 agreed to shall not be in order.

13 (D) RULINGS OF THE CHAIR ON PROCE-
 14 DURE.—Appeals from the decisions of the Chair
 15 relating to the application of the rules of the
 16 Senate, as the case may be, to the procedure re-
 17 lating to a joint resolution of approval or joint
 18 resolution of disapproval shall be decided with-
 19 out debate.

20 (E) CONSIDERATION OF VETO MES-
 21 SAGES.—Debate in the Senate of any veto mes-
 22 sage with respect to a joint resolution of ap-
 23 proval or joint resolution of disapproval, includ-
 24 ing all debatable motions and appeals in con-
 25 nection with the joint resolution, shall be lim-

1 ited to 10 hours, to be equally divided between,
 2 and controlled by, the majority leader and the
 3 minority leader or their designees.

4 (6) RULES RELATING TO SENATE AND HOUSE
 5 OF REPRESENTATIVES.—

6 (A) COORDINATION WITH ACTION BY
 7 OTHER HOUSE.—If, before the passage by one
 8 House of a joint resolution of approval or joint
 9 resolution of disapproval of that House, that
 10 House receives an identical joint resolution
 11 from the other House, the following procedures
 12 shall apply:

13 (i) The joint resolution of the other
 14 House shall not be referred to a com-
 15 mittee.

16 (ii) With respect to the joint resolu-
 17 tion of the House receiving the joint reso-
 18 lution from the other House—

19 (I) the procedure in that House
 20 shall be the same as if no joint resolu-
 21 tion had been received from the other
 22 House; but

23 (II) the vote on passage shall be
 24 on the joint resolution of the other
 25 House.

1 (B) TREATMENT OF A JOINT RESOLUTION
2 OF OTHER HOUSE.—If one House fails to intro-
3 duce a joint resolution of approval or joint reso-
4 lution of disapproval, a joint resolution of ap-
5 proval or joint resolution of disapproval of the
6 other House shall be entitled to expedited pro-
7 cedures in that House under this subsection.

8 (C) TREATMENT OF HOUSE JOINT RESO-
9 LUTION IN SENATE.—If, following passage of a
10 joint resolution of approval or joint resolution
11 of disapproval in the Senate, the Senate re-
12 ceives an identical joint resolution from the
13 House of Representatives, that joint resolution
14 shall be placed on the appropriate Senate cal-
15 endar.

16 (D) APPLICATION TO REVENUE MEAS-
17 URES.—The provisions of this paragraph shall
18 not apply in the House of Representatives to a
19 joint resolution of approval or joint resolution
20 of disapproval that is a revenue measure.

21 (7) RULES OF HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
22 AND SENATE.—This subsection is enacted by Con-
23 gress—

24 (A) as an exercise of the rulemaking power
25 of the Senate and the House of Representa-

tives, respectively, and as such is deemed a part of the rules of each House, respectively, but applicable only with respect to the procedure to be followed in that House in the case of a joint resolution of approval or joint resolution of disapproval, and supersedes other rules only to the extent that it is inconsistent with such rules; and

(B) with full recognition of the constitutional right of either House to change the rules (so far as relating to the procedure of that House) at any time, in the same manner, and to the same extent as in the case of any other rule of that House.

(d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES AND LEADERSHIP DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congressional committees and leadership” means—

(1) the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, the Committee on Foreign Relations, and the majority and minority leaders of the Senate; and

(2) the Committee on Financial Services, the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the Speaker, the

1 majority leader, and the minority leader of the
2 House of Representatives.

3 **PART II—SANCTIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE**
4 **RUSSIAN FEDERATION**

5 **SEC. 221. DEFINITIONS.**

6 In this part:

7 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
8 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
9 mittees” means—

10 (A) the Committee on Banking, Housing,
11 and Urban Affairs, the Committee on Foreign
12 Relations, and the Committee on Finance of the
13 Senate; and

14 (B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the
15 Committee on Financial Services, and the Com-
16 mittee on Ways and Means of the House of
17 Representatives.

18 (2) GOOD.—The term “good” has the meaning
19 given that term in section 16 of the Export Adminis-
20 tration Act of 1979 (50 U.S.C. 4618) (as continued
21 in effect pursuant to the International Emergency
22 Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.)).

23 (3) INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITU-
24 TION.—The term “international financial institu-
25 tion” has the meaning given that term in section

1 1701(c) of the International Financial Institutions
 2 Act (22 U.S.C. 262r(c)).

3 (4) KNOWINGLY.—The term “knowingly”, with
 4 respect to conduct, a circumstance, or a result,
 5 means that a person has actual knowledge, or should
 6 have known, of the conduct, the circumstance, or the
 7 result.

8 (5) PERSON.—The term “person” means an in-
 9 dividual or entity.

10 (6) UNITED STATES PERSON.—The term
 11 “United States person” means—

12 (A) a United States citizen or an alien law-
 13 fully admitted for permanent residence to the
 14 United States; or

15 (B) an entity organized under the laws of
 16 the United States or of any jurisdiction within
 17 the United States, including a foreign branch of
 18 such an entity.

19 **SEC. 222. CODIFICATION OF SANCTIONS RELATING TO THE**
 20 **RUSSIAN FEDERATION.**

21 (a) CODIFICATION.—United States sanctions pro-
 22 vided for in Executive Order 13660 (79 Fed. Reg. 13493;
 23 relating to blocking property of certain persons contrib-
 24 uting to the situation in Ukraine), Executive Order 13661
 25 (79 Fed. Reg. 15535; relating to blocking property of ad-

ditional persons contributing to the situation in Ukraine), Executive Order 13662 (79 Fed. Reg. 16169; relating to blocking property of additional persons contributing to the situation in Ukraine), Executive Order 13685 (79 Fed. Reg. 77357; relating to blocking property of certain persons and prohibiting certain transactions with respect to the Crimea region of Ukraine), Executive Order 13694 (80 Fed. Reg. 18077; relating to blocking the property of certain persons engaging in significant malicious cyber-enabled activities), and Executive Order 13757 (82 Fed. Reg. 1; relating to taking additional steps to address the national emergency with respect to significant malicious cyber-enabled activities), as in effect on the day before the date of the enactment of this Act, including with respect to all persons sanctioned under such Executive Orders, shall remain in effect except as provided in subsection (b).

(b) TERMINATION OF CERTAIN SANCTIONS.—Subject to section 216, the President may terminate the application of sanctions described in subsection (a) that are imposed on a person in connection with activity conducted by the person if the President submits to the appropriate congressional committees a notice that—

(1) the person is not engaging in the activity that was the basis for the sanctions or has taken

1 significant verifiable steps toward stopping the activ-
2 ity; and

3 (2) the President has received reliable assur-
4 ances that the person will not knowingly engage in
5 activity subject to sanctions described in subsection
6 (a) in the future.

7 (c) APPLICATION OF NEW CYBER SANCTIONS.—The
8 President may waive the initial application under sub-
9 section (a) of sanctions with respect to a person under
10 Executive Order 13694 or 13757 only if the President
11 submits to the appropriate congressional committees—

12 (1) a written determination that the waiver—

13 (A) is in the vital national security inter-
14 ests of the United States; or

15 (B) will further the enforcement of this
16 title; and

17 (2) a certification that the Government of the
18 Russian Federation has made significant efforts to
19 reduce the number and intensity of cyber intrusions
20 conducted by that Government.

21 (d) APPLICATION OF NEW UKRAINE-RELATED SANC-
22 TIONS.—The President may waive the initial application
23 under subsection (a) of sanctions with respect to a person
24 under Executive Order 13660, 13661, 13662, or 13685

1 only if the President submits to the appropriate congres-
2 sional committees—

3 (1) a written determination that the waiver—

4 (A) is in the vital national security inter-
5 ests of the United States; or

6 (B) will further the enforcement of this
7 title; and

8 (2) a certification that the Government of the
9 Russian Federation is taking steps to implement the
10 Minsk Agreement to address the ongoing conflict in
11 eastern Ukraine, signed in Minsk, Belarus, on Feb-
12 ruary 11, 2015, by the leaders of Ukraine, Russia,
13 France, and Germany, the Minsk Protocol, which
14 was agreed to on September 5, 2014, and any suc-
15 cessor agreements that are agreed to by the Govern-
16 ment of Ukraine.

17 **SEC. 223. MODIFICATION OF IMPLEMENTATION OF EXECU-**
18 **TIVE ORDER 13662.**

19 (a) DETERMINATION THAT CERTAIN ENTITIES ARE
20 SUBJECT TO SANCTIONS.—The Secretary of the Treasury
21 may determine that a person meets one or more of the
22 criteria in section 1(a) of Executive Order 13662 if that
23 person is a state-owned entity operating in the railway,
24 shipping, or metals and mining sector of the economy of
25 the Russian Federation.

1 (b) MODIFICATION OF DIRECTIVE 1 WITH RESPECT
2 TO THE FINANCIAL SERVICES SECTOR OF THE RUSSIAN
3 FEDERATION ECONOMY.—The Director of the Office of
4 Foreign Assets Control shall modify Directive 1 (as
5 amended), dated September 12, 2014, issued by the Office
6 of Foreign Assets Control under Executive Order 13662,
7 or any successor directive, to ensure that the directive pro-
8 hibits the conduct by United States persons or persons
9 within the United States of all transactions in, provision
10 of financing for, and other dealings in new debt of longer
11 than 14 days maturity or new equity of persons deter-
12 mined to be subject to the directive, their property, or
13 their interests in property.

14 (c) MODIFICATION OF DIRECTIVE 2 WITH RESPECT
15 TO THE ENERGY SECTOR OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION
16 ECONOMY.—The Director of the Office of Foreign Assets
17 Control shall modify Directive 2 (as amended), dated Sep-
18 tember 12, 2014, issued by the Office of Foreign Assets
19 Control under Executive Order 13662, or any successor
20 directive, to ensure that the directive prohibits the conduct
21 by United States persons or persons within the United
22 States of all transactions in, provision of financing for,
23 and other dealings in new debt of longer than 30 days
24 maturity of persons determined to be subject to the direc-
25 tive, their property, or their interests in property.

1 (d) MODIFICATION OF DIRECTIVE 4.—The Director
 2 of the Office of Foreign Assets Control shall modify Direc-
 3 tive 4, dated September 12, 2014, issued by the Office
 4 of Foreign Assets Control under Executive Order 13662,
 5 or any successor directive, to ensure that the directive pro-
 6 hibits the provision, exportation, or reexportation, directly
 7 or indirectly, by United States persons or persons within
 8 the United States, of goods, services (except for financial
 9 services), or technology in support of exploration or pro-
 10 duction for deepwater, Arctic offshore, or shale projects—

11 (1) that have the potential to produce oil;

12 (2) in which a Russian energy firm is involved;

13 and

14 (3) that involve any person determined to be
 15 subject to the directive or the property or interests
 16 in property of such a person.

17 **SEC. 224. IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS WITH RESPECT TO**

18 **ACTIVITIES OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION**

19 **UNDERMINING CYBERSECURITY.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—On and after the date that is 60
 21 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Presi-
 22 dent shall—

23 (1) impose the sanctions described in subsection

24 (b) with respect to any person that the President de-
 25 termines—

(A) knowingly engages in significant activities undermining cybersecurity against any person, including a democratic institution, or government on behalf of the Government of the Russian Federation; or

(B) is owned or controlled by, or acts or purports to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, a person described in subparagraph (A);

(2) impose 5 or more of the sanctions described in section 235 with respect to any person that the President determines knowingly materially assists, sponsors, or provides financial, material, or technological support for, or goods or services (except financial services) in support of, an activity described in paragraph (1)(A); and

(3) impose 3 or more of the sanctions described in section 4(c) of the of the Ukraine Freedom Support Act of 2014 (22 U.S.C. 8923(c)) with respect to any person that the President determines knowingly provides financial services in support of an activity described in paragraph (1)(A).

(b) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—The sanctions described in this subsection are the following:

1 (1) ASSET BLOCKING.—The exercise of all pow-
2 ers granted to the President by the International
3 Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701
4 et seq.) to the extent necessary to block and prohibit
5 all transactions in all property and interests in prop-
6 erty of a person determined by the President to be
7 subject to subsection (a)(1) if such property and in-
8 terests in property are in the United States, come
9 within the United States, or are or come within the
10 possession or control of a United States person.

11 (2) EXCLUSION FROM THE UNITED STATES
12 AND REVOCATION OF VISA OR OTHER DOCUMENTA-
13 TION.—In the case of an alien determined by the
14 President to be subject to subsection (a)(1), denial
15 of a visa to, and exclusion from the United States
16 of, the alien, and revocation in accordance with sec-
17 tion 221(i) of the Immigration and Nationality Act
18 (8 U.S.C. 1201(i)), of any visa or other documenta-
19 tion of the alien.

20 (c) APPLICATION OF NEW CYBER SANCTIONS.—The
21 President may waive the initial application under sub-
22 section (a) of sanctions with respect to a person only if
23 the President submits to the appropriate congressional
24 committees—

25 (1) a written determination that the waiver—

1 (A) is in the vital national security inter-
 2 ests of the United States; or

3 (B) will further the enforcement of this
 4 title; and

5 (2) a certification that the Government of the
 6 Russian Federation has made significant efforts to
 7 reduce the number and intensity of cyber intrusions
 8 conducted by that Government.

9 (d) SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES UNDERMINING CYBER-
 10 SECURITY DEFINED.—In this section, the term “signifi-
 11 cant activities undermining cybersecurity” includes—

12 (1) significant efforts—

13 (A) to deny access to or degrade, disrupt,
 14 or destroy an information and communications
 15 technology system or network; or

16 (B) to exfiltrate, degrade, corrupt, destroy,
 17 or release information from such a system or
 18 network without authorization for purposes
 19 of—

20 (i) conducting influence operations; or

21 (ii) causing a significant misappro-
 22 priation of funds, economic resources,
 23 trade secrets, personal identifications, or
 24 financial information for commercial or

1 competitive advantage or private financial
2 gain;

3 (2) significant destructive malware attacks; and

4 (3) significant denial of service activities.

5 **SEC. 225. IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS RELATING TO SPE-**
6 **CIAL RUSSIAN CRUDE OIL PROJECTS.**

7 Section 4(b)(1) of the Ukraine Freedom Support Act
8 of 2014 (22 U.S.C. 8923(b)(1)) is amended by striking
9 “on and after the date that is 45 days after the date of
10 the enactment of this Act, the President may impose” and
11 inserting “on and after the date that is 30 days after the
12 date of the enactment of the Countering Russian Influence
13 in Europe and Eurasia Act of 2017, the President shall
14 impose, unless the President determines that it is not in
15 the national interest of the United States to do so,”.

16 **SEC. 226. IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS WITH RESPECT TO**
17 **RUSSIAN AND OTHER FOREIGN FINANCIAL**
18 **INSTITUTIONS.**

19 Section 5 of the Ukraine Freedom Support Act of
20 2014 (22 U.S.C. 8924) is amended—

21 (1) in subsection (a)—

22 (A) by striking “may impose” and insert-
23 ing “shall impose, unless the President deter-
24 mines that it is not in the national interest of
25 the United States to do so,”; and

(B) by striking “on or after the date of the enactment of this Act” and inserting “on or after the date of the enactment of the Countering Russian Influence in Europe and Eurasia Act of 2017”; and

(2) in subsection (b)—

(A) by striking “may impose” and inserting “shall impose, unless the President determines that it is not in the national interest of the United States to do so,”; and

(B) by striking “on or after the date that is 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act” and inserting “on or after the date that is 30 days after the date of the enactment of the Countering Russian Influence in Europe and Eurasia Act of 2017”.

**SEC. 227. MANDATORY IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS WITH
RESPECT TO SIGNIFICANT CORRUPTION IN
THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION.**

Section 9 of the Sovereignty, Integrity, Democracy, and Economic Stability of Ukraine Act of 2014 (22 U.S.C. 8908(a)) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

1 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),
2 by striking “is authorized and encouraged to”
3 and inserting “shall”; and

4 (B) in paragraph (1)—

5 (i) by striking “President determines
6 is” and inserting “President determines is,
7 on or after the date of the enactment of
8 the Countering Russian Influence in Eu-
9 rope and Eurasia Act of 2017,”; and

10 (ii) by inserting “or elsewhere” after
11 “in the Russian Federation”;

12 (2) by redesignating subsection (d) as sub-
13 section (e);

14 (3) in subsection (c), by striking “The Presi-
15 dent” and inserting “except as provided in sub-
16 section (d), the President”; and

17 (4) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-
18 lowing:

19 “(d) APPLICATION OF NEW SANCTIONS.—The Presi-
20 dent may waive the initial application of sanctions under
21 subsection (b) with respect to a person only if the Presi-
22 dent submits to the appropriate congressional commit-
23 tees—

24 “(1) a written determination that the waiver—

1 “(A) is in the vital national security inter-
2 ests of the United States; or

3 “(B) will further the enforcement of this
4 Act; and

5 “(2) a certification that the Government of the
6 Russian Federation is taking steps to implement the
7 Minsk Agreement to address the ongoing conflict in
8 eastern Ukraine, signed in Minsk, Belarus, on Feb-
9 ruary 11, 2015, by the leaders of Ukraine, Russia,
10 France, and Germany, the Minsk Protocol, which
11 was agreed to on September 5, 2014, and any suc-
12 cessor agreements that are agreed to by the Govern-
13 ment of Ukraine.”.

14 **SEC. 228. MANDATORY IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS WITH**
15 **RESPECT TO CERTAIN TRANSACTIONS WITH**
16 **FOREIGN SANCTIONS EVADERS AND SERIOUS**
17 **HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSERS IN THE RUSSIAN**
18 **FEDERATION.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Support for the Sovereignty,
20 Integrity, Democracy, and Economic Stability of Ukraine
21 Act of 2014 (22 U.S.C. 8901 et seq.) is amended by add-
22 ing at the end the following:

1 **“SEC. 10. MANDATORY IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS WITH**
2 **RESPECT TO CERTAIN TRANSACTIONS WITH**
3 **PERSONS THAT EVADE SANCTIONS IMPOSED**
4 **WITH RESPECT TO THE RUSSIAN FEDERA-**
5 **TION.**

6 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The President shall impose the
7 sanctions described in subsection (b) with respect to a for-
8 eign person if the President determines that the foreign
9 person knowingly, on or after the date of the enactment
10 of the Countering Russian Influence in Europe and Eur-
11 asia Act of 2017—

12 “(1) materially violates, attempts to violate,
13 conspires to violate, or causes a violation of any li-
14 cense, order, regulation, or prohibition contained in
15 or issued pursuant to any covered Executive order;
16 or

17 “(2) facilitates significant deceptive or struc-
18 tured transactions for or on behalf of—

19 “(A) any person subject to sanctions im-
20 posed by the United States with respect to the
21 Russian Federation; or

22 “(B) any child, spouse, parent, or sibling
23 of an individual described in subparagraph (A).

24 “(b) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—The sanctions de-
25 scribed in this subsection are the exercise of all powers
26 granted to the President by the International Emergency

1 Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) to the ex-
2 tent necessary to block and prohibit all transactions in all
3 property and interests in property of a person determined
4 by the President to be subject to subsection (a) if such
5 property and interests in property are in the United
6 States, come within the United States, or are or come
7 within the possession or control of a United States person.

8 “(c) IMPLEMENTATION; PENALTIES.—

9 “(1) IMPLEMENTATION.—The President may
10 exercise all authorities provided to the President
11 under sections 203 and 205 of the International
12 Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1702
13 and 1704) to carry out subsection (b).

14 “(2) PENALTIES.—A person that violates, at-
15 tempts to violate, conspires to violate, or causes a
16 violation of subsection (b) or any regulation, license,
17 or order issued to carry out subsection (b) shall be
18 subject to the penalties set forth in subsections (b)
19 and (c) of section 206 of the International Emer-
20 gency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1705) to the
21 same extent as a person that commits an unlawful
22 act described in subsection (a) of that section.

23 “(d) APPLICATION OF NEW SANCTIONS.—The Presi-
24 dent may waive the initial application of sanctions under
25 subsection (b) with respect to a person only if the Presi-

1 dent submits to the appropriate congressional commit-
2 tees—

3 “(1) a written determination that the waiver—

4 “(A) is in the vital national security inter-
5 ests of the United States; or

6 “(B) will further the enforcement of this
7 Act;

8 “(2) in the case of sanctions imposed under this
9 section in connection with a covered Executive order
10 described in subparagraph (A), (B), (C), or (D) of
11 subsection (f)(1), a certification that the Govern-
12 ment of the Russian Federation is taking steps to
13 implement the Minsk Agreement to address the on-
14 going conflict in eastern Ukraine, signed in Minsk,
15 Belarus, on February 11, 2015, by the leaders of
16 Ukraine, Russia, France, and Germany, the Minsk
17 Protocol, which was agreed to on September 5,
18 2014, and any successor agreements that are agreed
19 to by the Government of Ukraine; and

20 “(3) in the case of sanctions imposed under this
21 section in connection with a covered Executive order
22 described in subparagraphs (E) or (F) of subsection
23 (f)(1), a certification that the Government of the
24 Russian Federation has made significant efforts to

1 reduce the number and intensity of cyber intrusions
2 conducted by that Government.

3 “(e) TERMINATION.—Subject to section 216 of the
4 Russia Sanctions Review Act of 2017, the President may
5 terminate the application of sanctions under subsection
6 (b) with respect to a person if the President submits to
7 the appropriate congressional committees—

8 “(1) a notice of and justification for the termi-
9 nation; and

10 “(2) a notice that—

11 “(A) the person is not engaging in the ac-
12 tivity that was the basis for the sanctions or
13 has taken significant verifiable steps toward
14 stopping the activity; and

15 “(B) the President has received reliable as-
16 surances that the person will not knowingly en-
17 gage in activity subject to sanctions under sub-
18 section (a) in the future.

19 “(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

20 “(1) COVERED EXECUTIVE ORDER.—The term
21 ‘covered Executive order’ means any of the fol-
22 lowing:

23 “(A) Executive Order 13660 (79 Fed. Reg.
24 13493; relating to blocking property of certain

1 persons contributing to the situation in
2 Ukraine).

3 “(B) Executive Order 13661 (79 Fed. Reg.
4 15535; relating to blocking property of addi-
5 tional persons contributing to the situation in
6 Ukraine).

7 “(C) Executive Order 13662 (79 Fed. Reg.
8 16169; relating to blocking property of addi-
9 tional persons contributing to the situation in
10 Ukraine).

11 “(D) Executive Order 13685 (79 Fed.
12 Reg. 77357; relating to blocking property of
13 certain persons and prohibiting certain trans-
14 actions with respect to the Crimea region of
15 Ukraine).

16 “(E) Executive Order 13694 (80 Fed. Reg.
17 18077; relating to blocking the property of cer-
18 tain persons engaging in significant malicious
19 cyber-enabled activities).

20 “(F) Executive Order 13757 (82 Fed. Reg.
21 1; relating to taking additional steps to address
22 the national emergency with respect to signifi-
23 cant malicious cyber-enabled activities).

24 “(2) FOREIGN PERSON.—The term ‘foreign per-
25 son’ has the meaning given such term in section

1 595.304 of title 31, Code of Federal Regulations (as
 2 in effect on the date of the enactment of the Coun-
 3 tering Russian Influence in Europe and Eurasia Act
 4 of 2017).

5 “(3) STRUCTURED.—The term ‘structured’,
 6 with respect to a transaction, has the meaning given
 7 the term ‘structure’ in paragraph (xx) of section
 8 1010.100 of title 31, Code of Federal Regulations
 9 (or any corresponding similar regulation or ruling).

10 **“SEC. 11. MANDATORY IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS WITH**
 11 **RESPECT TO TRANSACTIONS WITH PERSONS**
 12 **RESPONSIBLE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES.**

13 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The President shall impose the
 14 sanctions described in subsection (b) with respect to a for-
 15 eign person if the President determines that the foreign
 16 person, based on credible information, on or after the date
 17 of the enactment of the Countering Russian Influence in
 18 Europe and Eurasia Act of 2017—

19 “(1) is responsible for, complicit in, or respon-
 20 sible for ordering, controlling, or otherwise directing,
 21 the commission of serious human rights abuses in
 22 any territory forcibly occupied or otherwise con-
 23 trolled by the Government of the Russian Federa-
 24 tion;

1 “(2) materially assists, sponsors, or provides fi-
2 nancial, material, or technological support for, or
3 goods or services to, a foreign person described in
4 paragraph (1); or

5 “(3) is owned or controlled by, or acts or pur-
6 ports to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly,
7 a foreign person described in paragraph (1).

8 “(b) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—

9 “(1) ASSET BLOCKING.—The exercise of all
10 powers granted to the President by the International
11 Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701
12 et seq.) to the extent necessary to block and prohibit
13 all transactions in all property and interests in prop-
14 erty of a person determined by the President to be
15 subject to subsection (a) if such property and inter-
16 ests in property are in the United States, come with-
17 in the United States, or are or come within the pos-
18 session or control of a United States person.

19 “(2) EXCLUSION FROM THE UNITED STATES
20 AND REVOCATION OF VISA OR OTHER DOCUMENTA-
21 TION.—In the case of an alien determined by the
22 President to be subject to subsection (a), denial of
23 a visa to, and exclusion from the United States of,
24 the alien, and revocation in accordance with section
25 221(i) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8

1 U.S.C. 1201(i)), of any visa or other documentation
2 of the alien.

3 “(c) APPLICATION OF NEW SANCTIONS.—The Presi-
4 dent may waive the initial application of sanctions under
5 subsection (b) with respect to a person only if the Presi-
6 dent submits to the appropriate congressional commit-
7 tees—

8 “(1) a written determination that the waiver—

9 “(A) is in the vital national security inter-
10 ests of the United States; or

11 “(B) will further the enforcement of this
12 Act; and

13 “(2) a certification that the Government of the
14 Russian Federation has made efforts to reduce seri-
15 ous human rights abuses in territory forcibly occu-
16 pied or otherwise controlled by that Government.

17 “(d) IMPLEMENTATION; PENALTIES.—

18 “(1) IMPLEMENTATION.—The President may
19 exercise all authorities provided to the President
20 under sections 203 and 205 of the International
21 Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1702
22 and 1704) to carry out subsection (b)(1).

23 “(2) PENALTIES.—A person that violates, at-
24 tempts to violate, conspires to violate, or causes a
25 violation of subsection (b)(1) or any regulation, li-

1 cense, or order issued to carry out subsection (b)(1)
2 shall be subject to the penalties set forth in sub-
3 sections (b) and (c) of section 206 of the Inter-
4 national Emergency Economic Powers Act (50
5 U.S.C. 1705) to the same extent as a person that
6 commits an unlawful act described in subsection (a)
7 of that section.

8 “(e) TERMINATION.—Subject to section 216 of the
9 Russia Sanctions Review Act of 2017, the President may
10 terminate the application of sanctions under subsection
11 (b) with respect to a person if the President submits to
12 the appropriate congressional committees—

13 “(1) a notice of and justification for the termi-
14 nation; and

15 “(2) a notice—

16 “(A) that—

17 “(i) the person is not engaging in the
18 activity that was the basis for the sanc-
19 tions or has taken significant verifiable
20 steps toward stopping the activity; and

21 “(ii) the President has received reli-
22 able assurances that the person will not
23 knowingly engage in activity subject to
24 sanctions under subsection (a) in the fu-
25 ture; or

1 “(B) that the President determines that
2 insufficient basis exists for the determination by
3 the President under subsection (a) with respect
4 to the person.”.

5 (b) DEFINITION OF APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL
6 COMMITTEES.—Section 2(2) of the Support for the Sov-
7 ereignty, Integrity, Democracy, and Economic Stability of
8 Ukraine Act of 2014 (22 U.S.C. 8901(2)) is amended—

9 (1) in subparagraph (A), by inserting “the
10 Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Af-
11 fairs,” before “the Committee on Foreign Rela-
12 tions”; and

13 (2) in subparagraph (B), by inserting “the
14 Committee on Financial Services” before “the Com-
15 mittee on Foreign Affairs”.

16 **SEC. 229. NOTIFICATIONS TO CONGRESS UNDER UKRAINE**
17 **FREEDOM SUPPORT ACT OF 2014.**

18 (a) SANCTIONS RELATING TO DEFENSE AND EN-
19 ERGY SECTORS OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION.—Section
20 4 of the Ukraine Freedom Support Act of 2014 (22
21 U.S.C. 8923) is amended—

22 (1) by redesignating subsections (g) and (h) as
23 subsections (h) and (i), respectively;

24 (2) by inserting after subsection (f) the fol-
25 lowing:

1 “(g) NOTIFICATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS TO CON-
2 GRESS.—

3 “(1) IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS.—The Presi-
4 dent shall notify the appropriate congressional com-
5 mittees in writing not later than 15 days after im-
6 posing sanctions with respect to a foreign person
7 under subsection (a) or (b).

8 “(2) TERMINATION OF SANCTIONS WITH RE-
9 SPECT TO RUSSIAN PRODUCERS, TRANSFERORS, OR
10 BROKERS OF DEFENSE ARTICLES.—Subject to sec-
11 tion 216 of the Russia Sanctions Review Act of
12 2017, the President may terminate the imposition of
13 sanctions under subsection (a)(2) with respect to a
14 foreign person if the President submits to the appro-
15 priate congressional committees—

16 “(A) a notice of and justification for the
17 termination; and

18 “(B) a notice that—

19 “(i) the foreign person is not engaging
20 in the activity that was the basis for the
21 sanctions or has taken significant verifiable
22 steps toward stopping the activity; and

23 “(ii) the President has received reli-
24 able assurances that the foreign person will
25 not knowingly engage in activity subject to

1 sanctions under subsection (a)(2) in the
2 future.”; and

3 (3) in subparagraph (B)(ii) of subsection
4 (a)(3), by striking “subsection (h)” and inserting
5 “subsection (i)”.

6 (b) SANCTIONS ON RUSSIAN AND OTHER FOREIGN
7 FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.—Section 5 of the Ukraine
8 Freedom Support Act of 2014 (22 U.S.C. 8924) is amend-
9 ed—

10 (1) by redesignating subsections (e) and (f) as
11 subsections (f) and (g), respectively;

12 (2) by inserting after subsection (d) the fol-
13 lowing:

14 “(e) NOTIFICATION TO CONGRESS ON IMPOSITION OF
15 SANCTIONS.—The President shall notify the appropriate
16 congressional committees in writing not later than 15 days
17 after imposing sanctions with respect to a foreign financial
18 institution under subsection (a) or (b).”; and

19 (3) in subsection (g), as redesignated by para-
20 graph (1), by striking “section 4(h)” and inserting
21 “section 4(i)”.

1 **SEC. 230. STANDARDS FOR TERMINATION OF CERTAIN**
2 **SANCTIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE RUSSIAN**
3 **FEDERATION.**

4 (a) SANCTIONS RELATING TO UNDERMINING THE
5 PEACE, SECURITY, STABILITY, SOVEREIGNTY, OR TERRI-
6 TORIAL INTEGRITY OF UKRAINE.—Section 8 of the Sov-
7 ereignty, Integrity, Democracy, and Economic Stability of
8 Ukraine Act of 2014 (22 U.S.C. 8907) is amended—

9 (1) by redesignating subsection (d) as sub-
10 section (e); and

11 (2) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-
12 lowing:

13 “(d) TERMINATION.—Subject to section 216 of the
14 Russia Sanctions Review Act of 2017, the President may
15 terminate the application of sanctions under subsection
16 (b) with respect to a person if the President submits to
17 the appropriate congressional committees a notice that—

18 “(1) the person is not engaging in the activity
19 that was the basis for the sanctions or has taken
20 significant verifiable steps toward stopping the activ-
21 ity; and

22 “(2) the President has received reliable assur-
23 ances that the person will not knowingly engage in
24 activity subject to sanctions under subsection (a) in
25 the future.”.

1 (b) SANCTIONS RELATING TO CORRUPTION.—Sec-
2 tion 9 of the Sovereignty, Integrity, Democracy, and Eco-
3 nomic Stability of Ukraine Act of 2014 (22 U.S.C. 8908)
4 is amended—

5 (1) by redesignating subsection (d) as sub-
6 section (e); and

7 (2) by inserting after subsection (c) the fol-
8 lowing:

9 “(d) TERMINATION.—Subject to section 216 of the
10 Russia Sanctions Review Act of 2017, the President may
11 terminate the application of sanctions under subsection
12 (b) with respect to a person if the President submits to
13 the appropriate congressional committees a notice that—

14 “(1) the person is not engaging in the activity
15 that was the basis for the sanctions or has taken
16 significant verifiable steps toward stopping the activ-
17 ity; and

18 “(2) the President has received reliable assur-
19 ances that the person will not knowingly engage in
20 activity subject to sanctions under subsection (a) in
21 the future.”.

1 **SEC. 231. IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS WITH RESPECT TO**
2 **PERSONS ENGAGING IN TRANSACTIONS WITH**
3 **THE INTELLIGENCE OR DEFENSE SECTORS**
4 **OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE RUSSIAN FED-**
5 **ERATION.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—On and after the date that is 180
7 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Presi-
8 dent shall impose 5 or more of the sanctions described
9 in section 235 with respect to a person the President de-
10 termines knowingly, on or after such date of enactment,
11 engages in a significant transaction with a person that is
12 part of, or operates for or on behalf of, the defense or
13 intelligence sectors of the Government of the Russian Fed-
14 eration, including the Main Intelligence Agency of the
15 General Staff of the Armed Forces of the Russian Federa-
16 tion or the Federal Security Service of the Russian Fed-
17 eration.

18 (b) APPLICATION OF NEW SANCTIONS.—The Presi-
19 dent may waive the initial application of sanctions under
20 subsection (a) with respect to a person only if the Presi-
21 dent submits to the appropriate congressional commit-
22 tees—

- 23 (1) a written determination that the waiver—
24 (A) is in the vital national security inter-
25 ests of the United States; or

1 (B) will further the enforcement of this
2 title; and

3 (2) a certification that the Government of the
4 Russian Federation has made significant efforts to
5 reduce the number and intensity of cyber intrusions
6 conducted by that Government.

7 **SEC. 232. SANCTIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE DEVELOP-**
8 **MENT OF PIPELINES IN THE RUSSIAN FED-**
9 **ERATION.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—The President may impose 5 or
11 more of the sanctions described in section 235 with respect
12 to a person if the President determines that the person
13 knowingly, on or after the date of the enactment of this
14 Act, makes an investment described in subsection (b) or
15 sells, leases, or provides to the Russian Federation, for
16 the construction of Russian energy export pipelines, goods,
17 services, technology, information, or support described in
18 subsection (c)—

19 (1) any of which has a fair market value of
20 \$1,000,000 or more; or

21 (2) that, during a 12-month period, have an ag-
22 gregate fair market value of \$5,000,000 or more.

23 (b) INVESTMENT DESCRIBED.—An investment de-
24 scribed in this subsection is an investment that directly
25 and significantly contributes to the enhancement of the

1 ability of the Russian Federation to construct energy ex-
2 port pipelines.

3 (c) GOODS, SERVICES, TECHNOLOGY, INFORMATION,
4 OR SUPPORT DESCRIBED.—Goods, services, technology,
5 information, or support described in this subsection are
6 goods, services, technology, information, or support that
7 could directly and significantly facilitate the maintenance
8 or expansion of the construction, modernization, or repair
9 of energy pipelines by the Russian Federation.

10 **SEC. 233. SANCTIONS WITH RESPECT TO INVESTMENT IN**
11 **OR FACILITATION OF PRIVATIZATION OF**
12 **STATE-OWNED ASSETS BY THE RUSSIAN FED-**
13 **ERATION.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—The President shall impose 5 or
15 more of the sanctions described in section 235 if the Presi-
16 dent determines that a person, with actual knowledge, on
17 or after the date of the enactment of this Act, makes an
18 investment of \$10,000,000 or more (or any combination
19 of investments of not less than \$1,000,000 each, which
20 in the aggregate equals or exceeds \$10,000,000 in any 12-
21 month period), or facilitates such an investment, if the in-
22 vestment directly and significantly contributes to the abil-
23 ity of the Russian Federation to privatize state-owned as-
24 sets in a manner that unjustly benefits—

1 (1) officials of the Government of the Russian
2 Federation; or

3 (2) close associates or family members of those
4 officials.

5 (b) APPLICATION OF NEW SANCTIONS.—The Presi-
6 dent may waive the initial application of sanctions under
7 subsection (a) with respect to a person only if the Presi-
8 dent submits to the appropriate congressional commit-
9 tees—

10 (1) a written determination that the waiver—

11 (A) is in the vital national security inter-
12 ests of the United States; or

13 (B) will further the enforcement of this
14 title; and

15 (2) a certification that the Government of the
16 Russian Federation is taking steps to implement the
17 Minsk Agreement to address the ongoing conflict in
18 eastern Ukraine, signed in Minsk, Belarus, on Feb-
19 ruary 11, 2015, by the leaders of Ukraine, Russia,
20 France, and Germany, the Minsk Protocol, which
21 was agreed to on September 5, 2014, and any suc-
22 cessor agreements that are agreed to by the Govern-
23 ment of Ukraine.

1 **SEC. 234. SANCTIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE TRANSFER OF**
2 **ARMS AND RELATED MATERIEL TO SYRIA.**

3 (a) IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—The President shall impose
5 on a foreign person the sanctions described in sub-
6 section (b) if the President determines that such for-
7 eign person has, on or after the date of the enact-
8 ment of this Act, knowingly exported, transferred, or
9 otherwise provided to Syria significant financial, ma-
10 terial, or technological support that contributes ma-
11 terially to the ability of the Government of Syria
12 to—

13 (A) acquire or develop chemical, biological,
14 or nuclear weapons or related technologies;

15 (B) acquire or develop ballistic or cruise
16 missile capabilities;

17 (C) acquire or develop destabilizing num-
18 bers and types of advanced conventional weap-
19 ons;

20 (D) acquire significant defense articles, de-
21 fense services, or defense information (as such
22 terms are defined under the Arms Export Con-
23 trol Act (22 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.)); or

24 (E) acquire items designated by the Presi-
25 dent for purposes of the United States Muni-

1 tions List under section 38(a)(1) of the Arms
2 Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2778(a)(1)).

3 (2) APPLICABILITY TO OTHER FOREIGN PER-
4 SONS.—The sanctions described in subsection (b)
5 shall also be imposed on any foreign person that—

6 (A) is a successor entity to a foreign per-
7 son described in paragraph (1); or

8 (B) is owned or controlled by, or has acted
9 for or on behalf of, a foreign person described
10 in paragraph (1).

11 (b) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—The sanctions to be
12 imposed on a foreign person described in subsection (a)
13 are the following:

14 (1) BLOCKING OF PROPERTY.—The President
15 shall exercise all powers granted by the International
16 Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701
17 et seq.) (except that the requirements of section 202
18 of such Act (50 U.S.C. 1701) shall not apply) to the
19 extent necessary to block and prohibit all trans-
20 actions in all property and interests in property of
21 the foreign person if such property and interests in
22 property are in the United States, come within the
23 United States, or are or come within the possession
24 or control of a United States person.

1 (2) ALIENS INELIGIBLE FOR VISAS, ADMISSION,
2 OR PAROLE.—

3 (A) EXCLUSION FROM THE UNITED
4 STATES.—If the foreign person is an individual,
5 the Secretary of State shall deny a visa to, and
6 the Secretary of Homeland Security shall ex-
7 clude from the United States, the foreign per-
8 son.

9 (B) CURRENT VISAS REVOKED.—

10 (i) IN GENERAL.—The issuing con-
11 sular officer, the Secretary of State, or the
12 Secretary of Homeland Security (or a des-
13 ignee of one of such Secretaries) shall re-
14 voke any visa or other entry documentation
15 issued to the foreign person regardless of
16 when issued.

17 (ii) EFFECT OF REVOCATION.—A rev-
18 ocation under clause (i) shall take effect
19 immediately and shall automatically cancel
20 any other valid visa or entry documenta-
21 tion that is in the possession of the foreign
22 person.

23 (c) WAIVER.—Subject to section 216, the President
24 may waive the application of sanctions under subsection
25 (b) with respect to a person if the President determines

1 that such a waiver is in the national security interest of
 2 the United States.

3 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4 (1) FINANCIAL, MATERIAL, OR TECHNOLOGICAL
 5 SUPPORT.—The term “financial, material, or techno-
 6 logical support” has the meaning given such term in
 7 section 542.304 of title 31, Code of Federal Regula-
 8 tions (or any corresponding similar regulation or rul-
 9 ing).

10 (2) FOREIGN PERSON.—The term “foreign per-
 11 son” has the meaning given such term in section
 12 594.304 of title 31, Code of Federal Regulations (or
 13 any corresponding similar regulation or ruling).

14 (3) SYRIA.—The term “Syria” has the meaning
 15 given such term in section 542.316 of title 31, Code
 16 of Federal Regulations (or any corresponding similar
 17 regulation or ruling).

18 **SEC. 235. SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.**

19 (a) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—The sanctions to be
 20 imposed with respect to a person under section 224(a)(2),
 21 231(b), 232(a), or 233(a) are the following:

22 (1) EXPORT-IMPORT BANK ASSISTANCE FOR
 23 EXPORTS TO SANCTIONED PERSONS.—The President
 24 may direct the Export-Import Bank of the United
 25 States not to give approval to the issuance of any

1 guarantee, insurance, extension of credit, or partici-
2 pation in the extension of credit in connection with
3 the export of any goods or services to the sanctioned
4 person.

5 (2) EXPORT SANCTION.—The President may
6 order the United States Government not to issue
7 any specific license and not to grant any other spe-
8 cific permission or authority to export any goods or
9 technology to the sanctioned person under—

10 (A) the Export Administration Act of 1979
11 (50 U.S.C. 4601 et seq.) (as continued in effect
12 pursuant to the International Emergency Eco-
13 nomic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.));

14 (B) the Arms Export Control Act (22
15 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.);

16 (C) the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42
17 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.); or

18 (D) any other statute that requires the
19 prior review and approval of the United States
20 Government as a condition for the export or re-
21 export of goods or services.

22 (3) LOANS FROM UNITED STATES FINANCIAL
23 INSTITUTIONS.—The President may prohibit any
24 United States financial institution from making
25 loans or providing credits to the sanctioned person

1 totaling more than \$10,000,000 in any 12-month
2 period unless the person is engaged in activities to
3 relieve human suffering and the loans or credits are
4 provided for such activities.

5 (4) LOANS FROM INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL
6 INSTITUTIONS.—The President may direct the
7 United States executive director to each inter-
8 national financial institution to use the voice and
9 vote of the United States to oppose any loan from
10 the international financial institution that would
11 benefit the sanctioned person.

12 (5) PROHIBITIONS ON FINANCIAL INSTITU-
13 TIONS.—The following prohibitions may be imposed
14 against the sanctioned person if that person is a fi-
15 nancial institution:

16 (A) PROHIBITION ON DESIGNATION AS
17 PRIMARY DEALER.—Neither the Board of Gov-
18 ernors of the Federal Reserve System nor the
19 Federal Reserve Bank of New York may des-
20 ignate, or permit the continuation of any prior
21 designation of, the financial institution as a pri-
22 mary dealer in United States Government debt
23 instruments.

24 (B) PROHIBITION ON SERVICE AS A RE-
25 POSITORY OF GOVERNMENT FUNDS.—The fi-

1 nancial institution may not serve as agent of
2 the United States Government or serve as re-
3 pository for United States Government funds.

4 The imposition of either sanction under subpara-
5 graph (A) or (B) shall be treated as 1 sanction for
6 purposes of subsection (b), and the imposition of
7 both such sanctions shall be treated as 2 sanctions
8 for purposes of subsection (b).

9 (6) PROCUREMENT SANCTION.—The United
10 States Government may not procure, or enter into
11 any contract for the procurement of, any goods or
12 services from the sanctioned person.

13 (7) FOREIGN EXCHANGE.—The President may,
14 pursuant to such regulations as the President may
15 prescribe, prohibit any transactions in foreign ex-
16 change that are subject to the jurisdiction of the
17 United States and in which the sanctioned person
18 has any interest.

19 (8) BANKING TRANSACTIONS.—The President
20 may, pursuant to such regulations as the President
21 may prescribe, prohibit any transfers of credit or
22 payments between financial institutions or by,
23 through, or to any financial institution, to the extent
24 that such transfers or payments are subject to the

1 jurisdiction of the United States and involve any in-
2 terest of the sanctioned person.

3 (9) PROPERTY TRANSACTIONS.—The President
4 may, pursuant to such regulations as the President
5 may prescribe, prohibit any person from—

6 (A) acquiring, holding, withholding, using,
7 transferring, withdrawing, transporting, import-
8 ing, or exporting any property that is subject to
9 the jurisdiction of the United States and with
10 respect to which the sanctioned person has any
11 interest;

12 (B) dealing in or exercising any right,
13 power, or privilege with respect to such prop-
14 erty; or

15 (C) conducting any transaction involving
16 such property.

17 (10) BAN ON INVESTMENT IN EQUITY OR DEBT
18 OF SANCTIONED PERSON.—The President may, pur-
19 suant to such regulations or guidelines as the Presi-
20 dent may prescribe, prohibit any United States per-
21 son from investing in or purchasing significant
22 amounts of equity or debt instruments of the sanc-
23 tioned person.

24 (11) EXCLUSION OF CORPORATE OFFICERS.—
25 The President may direct the Secretary of State to

1 deny a visa to, and the Secretary of Homeland Secu-
 2 rity to exclude from the United States, any alien
 3 that the President determines is a corporate officer
 4 or principal of, or a shareholder with a controlling
 5 interest in, the sanctioned person.

6 (12) SANCTIONS ON PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OF-
 7 FICERS.—The President may impose on the prin-
 8 cipal executive officer or officers of the sanctioned
 9 person, or on persons performing similar functions
 10 and with similar authorities as such officer or offi-
 11 cers, any of the sanctions under this subsection.

12 (b) SANCTIONED PERSON DEFINED.—In this section,
 13 the term “sanctioned person” means a person subject to
 14 sanctions under section 224(a)(2), 231(b), 232(a), or
 15 233(a).

16 **SEC. 236. EXCEPTIONS, WAIVER, AND TERMINATION.**

17 (a) EXCEPTIONS.—The provisions of this part and
 18 amendments made by this part shall not apply with re-
 19 spect to the following:

20 (1) Activities subject to the reporting require-
 21 ments under title V of the National Security Act of
 22 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.), or any authorized in-
 23 telligence activities of the United States.

24 (2) The admission of an alien to the United
 25 States if such admission is necessary to comply with

1 United States obligations under the Agreement be-
2 tween the United Nations and the United States of
3 America regarding the Headquarters of the United
4 Nations, signed at Lake Success June 26, 1947, and
5 entered into force November 21, 1947, under the
6 Convention on Consular Relations, done at Vienna
7 April 24, 1963, and entered into force March 19,
8 1967, or under other international agreements.

9 (b) EXCEPTION RELATING TO IMPORTATION OF
10 GOODS.—No requirement to impose sanctions under this
11 part or an amendment made by this part shall include the
12 authority to impose sanctions on the importation of goods.

13 (c) WAIVER OF SANCTIONS THAT ARE IMPOSED.—
14 Subject to section 216, if the President imposes sanctions
15 with respect to a person under this part or the amend-
16 ments made by this part, the President may waive the ap-
17 plication of those sanctions if the President determines
18 that such a waiver is in the national security interest of
19 the United States.

20 (d) TERMINATION.—Subject to section 216, the
21 President may terminate the application of sanctions
22 under section 224, 231, 232, 233, or 234 with respect to
23 a person if the President submits to the appropriate con-
24 gressional committees—

1 (1) a notice of and justification for the termi-
2 nation; and

3 (2) a notice that—

4 (A) the person is not engaging in the activ-
5 ity that was the basis for the sanctions or has
6 taken significant verifiable steps toward stop-
7 ping the activity; and

8 (B) the President has received reliable as-
9 surances that the person will not knowingly en-
10 gage in activity subject to sanctions under this
11 part in the future.

12 **SEC. 237. EXCEPTION RELATING TO ACTIVITIES OF THE NA-**
13 **TIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINIS-**
14 **TRATION.**

15 (a) IN GENERAL.—This Act and the amendments
16 made by this Act shall not apply with respect to activities
17 of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

18 (b) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this Act
19 or the amendments made by this Act shall be construed
20 to authorize the imposition of any sanction or other condi-
21 tion, limitation, restriction, or prohibition, that directly or
22 indirectly impedes the supply by any entity of the Russian
23 Federation of any product or service, or the procurement
24 of such product or service by any contractor or subcon-

1 tractor of the United States or any other entity, relating
2 to or in connection with any space launch conducted for—

3 (1) the National Aeronautics and Space Admin-
4 istration; or

5 (2) any other non-Department of Defense cus-
6 tomer.

7 **SEC. 238. RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.**

8 Nothing in this part or the amendments made by this
9 part shall be construed—

10 (1) to supersede the limitations or exceptions on
11 the use of rocket engines for national security pur-
12 poses under section 1608 of the Carl Levin and
13 Howard P. “Buck” McKeon National Defense Au-
14 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2015 (Public Law
15 113–291; 128 Stat. 3626; 10 U.S.C. 2271 note), as
16 amended by section 1607 of the National Defense
17 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 (Public Law
18 114–92; 129 Stat. 1100) and section 1602 of the
19 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year
20 2017 (Public Law 114–328; 130 Stat. 2582); or

21 (2) to prohibit a contractor or subcontractor of
22 the Department of Defense from acquiring compo-
23 nents referred to in such section 1608.

PART III—REPORTS

SEC. 241. REPORT ON OLIGARCHS AND PARASTATAL ENTITIES OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence and the Secretary of State, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a detailed report on the following:

(1) Senior foreign political figures and oligarchs in the Russian Federation, including the following:

(A) An identification of the most significant senior foreign political figures and oligarchs in the Russian Federation, as determined by their closeness to the Russian regime and their net worth.

(B) An assessment of the relationship between individuals identified under subparagraph (A) and President Vladimir Putin or other members of the Russian ruling elite.

(C) An identification of any indices of corruption with respect to those individuals.

(D) The estimated net worth and known sources of income of those individuals and their family members (including spouses, children, parents, and siblings), including assets, invest-

1 ments, other business interests, and relevant
2 beneficial ownership information.

3 (E) An identification of the non-Russian
4 business affiliations of those individuals.

5 (2) Russian parastatal entities, including an as-
6 sessment of the following:

7 (A) The emergence of Russian parastatal
8 entities and their role in the economy of the
9 Russian Federation.

10 (B) The leadership structures and bene-
11 ficial ownership of those entities.

12 (C) The scope of the non-Russian business
13 affiliations of those entities.

14 (3) The exposure of key economic sectors of the
15 United States to Russian politically exposed persons
16 and parastatal entities, including, at a minimum, the
17 banking, securities, insurance, and real estate sec-
18 tors.

19 (4) The likely effects of imposing debt and eq-
20 uity restrictions on Russian parastatal entities, as
21 well as the anticipated effects of adding Russian
22 parastatal entities to the list of specially designated
23 nationals and blocked persons maintained by the Of-
24 fice of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of
25 the Treasury.

1 (5) The potential impacts of imposing sec-
2 ondary sanctions with respect to Russian oligarchs,
3 Russian state-owned enterprises, and Russian
4 parastatal entities, including impacts on the entities
5 themselves and on the economy of the Russian Fed-
6 eration, as well as on the economies of the United
7 States and allies of the United States.

8 (b) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required under
9 subsection (a) shall be submitted in an unclassified form,
10 but may contain a classified annex.

11 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

12 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
13 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
14 mittees” means—

15 (A) the Committee on Banking, Housing,
16 and Urban Affairs, the Committee on Foreign
17 Relations, and the Committee on Finance of the
18 Senate; and

19 (B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the
20 Committee on Financial Services, and the Com-
21 mittee on Ways and Means of the House of
22 Representatives.

23 (2) SENIOR FOREIGN POLITICAL FIGURE.—The
24 term “senior foreign political figure” has the mean-
25 ing given that term in section 1010.605 of title 31,

1 Code of Federal Regulations (or any corresponding
2 similar regulation or ruling).

3 **SEC. 242. REPORT ON EFFECTS OF EXPANDING SANCTIONS**
4 **TO INCLUDE SOVEREIGN DEBT AND DERIVA-**
5 **TIVE PRODUCTS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
7 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the
8 Treasury, in consultation with the Director of National In-
9 telligence and the Secretary of State, shall submit to the
10 appropriate congressional committees a report describing
11 in detail the potential effects of expanding sanctions under
12 Directive 1 (as amended), dated September 12, 2014,
13 issued by the Office of Foreign Assets Control under Exec-
14 utive Order 13662 (79 Fed. Reg. 16169; relating to block-
15 ing property of additional persons contributing to the situ-
16 ation in Ukraine), or any successor directive, to include
17 sovereign debt and the full range of derivative products.

18 (b) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required under
19 subsection (a) shall be submitted in an unclassified form,
20 but may contain a classified annex.

21 (c) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-
22 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congres-
23 sional committees” means—

(1) the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, the Committee on Foreign Relations, and the Committee on Finance of the Senate; and

(2) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee on Financial Services, and the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives.

**SEC. 243. REPORT ON ILLICIT FINANCE RELATING TO THE
RUSSIAN FEDERATION.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and not later than the end of each one-year period thereafter until 2021, the Secretary of the Treasury shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report describing interagency efforts in the United States to combat illicit finance relating to the Russian Federation.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The report required by subsection (a) shall contain a summary of efforts by the United States to do the following:

(1) Identify, investigate, map, and disrupt illicit financial flows linked to the Russian Federation if such flows affect the United States financial system or those of major allies of the United States.

(2) Conduct outreach to the private sector, including information sharing efforts to strengthen

1 compliance efforts by entities, including financial in-
2 stitutions, to prevent illicit financial flows described
3 in paragraph (1).

4 (3) Engage and coordinate with allied inter-
5 national partners on illicit finance, especially in Eu-
6 rope, to coordinate efforts to uncover and prosecute
7 the networks responsible for illicit financial flows de-
8 scribed in paragraph (1), including examples of that
9 engagement and coordination.

10 (4) Identify foreign sanctions evaders and loop-
11 holes within the sanctions regimes of foreign part-
12 ners of the United States.

13 (5) Expand the number of real estate geo-
14 graphic targeting orders or other regulatory actions,
15 as appropriate, to degrade illicit financial activity re-
16 lating to the Russian Federation in relation to the
17 financial system of the United States.

18 (6) Provide support to counter those involved in
19 illicit finance relating to the Russian Federation
20 across all appropriate law enforcement, intelligence,
21 regulatory, and financial authorities of the Federal
22 Government, including by imposing sanctions with
23 respect to or prosecuting those involved.

24 (7) In the case of the Department of the Treas-
25 ury and the Department of Justice, investigate or

1 otherwise develop major cases, including a descrip-
2 tion of those cases.

3 (c) BRIEFING.—After submitting a report under this
4 section, the Secretary of the Treasury shall provide brief-
5 ings to the appropriate congressional committees with re-
6 spect to that report.

7 (d) COORDINATION.—The Secretary of the Treasury
8 shall coordinate with the Attorney General, the Director
9 of National Intelligence, the Secretary of Homeland Secu-
10 rity, and the Secretary of State in preparing each report
11 under this section.

12 (e) FORM.—Each report submitted under this section
13 shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may contain
14 a classified annex.

15 (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

16 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
17 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
18 mittees” means—

19 (A) the Committee on Banking, Housing,
20 and Urban Affairs, the Committee on Foreign
21 Relations, and the Committee on Finance of the
22 Senate; and

23 (B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the
24 Committee on Financial Services, and the Com-

1 mittee on Ways and Means of the House of
2 Representatives.

3 (2) ILLICIT FINANCE.—The term “illicit fi-
4 nance” means the financing of terrorism, narcotics
5 trafficking, or proliferation, money laundering, or
6 other forms of illicit financing domestically or inter-
7 nationally, as defined by the President.

8 **Subtitle B—Countering Russian**
9 **Influence in Europe and Eurasia**

10 **SEC. 251. FINDINGS.**

11 Congress makes the following findings:

12 (1) The Government of the Russian Federation
13 has sought to exert influence throughout Europe and
14 Eurasia, including in the former states of the Soviet
15 Union, by providing resources to political parties,
16 think tanks, and civil society groups that sow dis-
17 trust in democratic institutions and actors, promote
18 xenophobic and illiberal views, and otherwise under-
19 mine European unity. The Government of the Rus-
20 sian Federation has also engaged in well-documented
21 corruption practices as a means toward undermining
22 and buying influence in European and Eurasian
23 countries.

24 (2) The Government of the Russian Federation
25 has largely eliminated a once-vibrant Russian-lan-

1 guage independent media sector and severely curtails
 2 free and independent media within the borders of
 3 the Russian Federation. Russian-language media or-
 4 ganizations that are funded and controlled by the
 5 Government of the Russian Federation and dissemi-
 6 nate information within and outside of the Russian
 7 Federation routinely traffic in anti-Western
 8 disinformation, while few independent, fact-based
 9 media sources provide objective reporting for Rus-
 10 sian-speaking audiences inside or outside of the Rus-
 11 sian Federation.

12 (3) The Government of the Russian Federation
 13 continues to violate its commitments under the
 14 Memorandum on Security Assurances in connection
 15 with Ukraine’s Accession to the Treaty on the Non-
 16 Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, done at Budapest
 17 December 5, 1994, and the Conference on Security
 18 and Co-operation in Europe Final Act, concluded at
 19 Helsinki August 1, 1975 (commonly referred to as
 20 the “Helsinki Final Act”), which laid the ground-
 21 work for the establishment of the Organization for
 22 Security and Co-operation in Europe, of which the
 23 Russian Federation is a member, by its illegal an-
 24 nexation of Crimea in 2014, its illegal occupation of
 25 South Ossetia and Abkhazia in Georgia in 2008, and

1 its ongoing destabilizing activities in eastern
2 Ukraine.

3 (4) The Government of the Russian Federation
4 continues to ignore the terms of the August 2008
5 ceasefire agreement relating to Georgia, which re-
6 quires the withdrawal of Russian Federation troops,
7 free access by humanitarian groups to the regions of
8 South Ossetia and Abkhazia, and monitoring of the
9 conflict areas by the European Union Monitoring
10 Mission.

11 (5) The Government of the Russian Federation
12 is failing to comply with the terms of the Minsk
13 Agreement to address the ongoing conflict in eastern
14 Ukraine, signed in Minsk, Belarus, on February 11,
15 2015, by the leaders of Ukraine, Russia, France,
16 and Germany, as well as the Minsk Protocol, which
17 was agreed to on September 5, 2014.

18 (6) The Government of the Russian Federation
19 is—

20 (A) in violation of the Treaty between the
21 United States of America and the Union of So-
22 viet Socialist Republics on the Elimination of
23 their Intermediate-Range and Shorter-Range
24 Missiles, signed at Washington December 8,

1 1987, and entered into force June 1, 1988
2 (commonly known as the “INF Treaty”); and
3 (B) failing to meet its obligations under
4 the Treaty on Open Skies, done at Helsinki
5 March 24, 1992, and entered into force Janu-
6 ary 1, 2002 (commonly known as the “Open
7 Skies Treaty”).

8 **SEC. 252. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

9 It is the sense of Congress that—

10 (1) the Government of the Russian Federation
11 bears responsibility for the continuing violence in
12 Eastern Ukraine, including the death on April 24,
13 2017, of Joseph Stone, a citizen of the United
14 States working as a monitor for the Organization for
15 Security and Co-operation in Europe;

16 (2) the President should call on the Govern-
17 ment of the Russian Federation—

18 (A) to withdraw all of its forces from the
19 territories of Georgia, Ukraine, and Moldova;

20 (B) to return control of the borders of
21 those territories to their respective govern-
22 ments; and

23 (C) to cease all efforts to undermine the
24 popularly elected governments of those coun-
25 tries;

1 (3) the Government of the Russian Federation
2 has applied, and continues to apply, to the countries
3 and peoples of Georgia and Ukraine, traditional uses
4 of force, intelligence operations, and influence cam-
5 paigns, which represent clear and present threats to
6 the countries of Europe and Eurasia;

7 (4) in response, the countries of Europe and
8 Eurasia should redouble efforts to build resilience
9 within their institutions, political systems, and civil
10 societies;

11 (5) the United States supports the institutions
12 that the Government of the Russian Federation
13 seeks to undermine, including the North Atlantic
14 Treaty Organization and the European Union;

15 (6) a strong North Atlantic Treaty Organiza-
16 tion is critical to maintaining peace and security in
17 Europe and Eurasia;

18 (7) the United States should continue to work
19 with the European Union as a partner against ag-
20 gression by the Government of the Russian Federa-
21 tion, coordinating aid programs, development assist-
22 ance, and other counter-Russian efforts;

23 (8) the United States should encourage the es-
24 tablishment of a commission for media freedom
25 within the Council of Europe, modeled on the Venice

1 Commission regarding rule of law issues, that would
2 be chartered to provide governments with expert rec-
3 ommendations on maintaining legal and regulatory
4 regimes supportive of free and independent media
5 and an informed citizenry able to distinguish be-
6 tween fact-based reporting, opinion, and
7 disinformation;

8 (9) in addition to working to strengthen the
9 North Atlantic Treaty Organization and the Euro-
10 pean Union, the United States should work with the
11 individual countries of Europe and Eurasia—

12 (A) to identify vulnerabilities to aggres-
13 sion, disinformation, corruption, and so-called
14 hybrid warfare by the Government of the Rus-
15 sian Federation;

16 (B) to establish strategic and technical
17 plans for addressing those vulnerabilities;

18 (C) to ensure that the financial systems of
19 those countries are not being used to shield il-
20 licit financial activity by officials of the Govern-
21 ment of the Russian Federation or individuals
22 in President Vladimir Putin's inner circle who
23 have been enriched through corruption;

24 (D) to investigate and prosecute cases of
25 corruption by Russian actors; and

(E) to work toward full compliance with the Convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions (commonly referred to as the “Anti-Bribery Convention”) of the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development; and

(10) the President of the United States should use the authority of the President to impose sanctions under—

(A) the Sergei Magnitsky Rule of Law Accountability Act of 2012 (title IV of Public Law 112–208; 22 U.S.C. 5811 note); and

(B) the Global Magnitsky Human Rights Accountability Act (subtitle F of title XII of Public Law 114–328; 22 U.S.C. 2656 note).

SEC. 253. STATEMENT OF POLICY.

The United States, consistent with the principle of *ex injuria jus non oritur*, supports the policy known as the “Stimson Doctrine” and thus does not recognize territorial changes effected by force, including the illegal invasions and occupations of Abkhazia, South Ossetia, Crimea, Eastern Ukraine, and Transnistria.

1 **SEC. 254. COORDINATING AID AND ASSISTANCE ACROSS**
2 **EUROPE AND EURASIA.**

3 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
4 are authorized to be appropriated for the Countering Rus-
5 sian Influence Fund \$250,000,000 for fiscal years 2018
6 and 2019.

7 (b) USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts in the Countering
8 Russian Influence Fund shall be used to effectively imple-
9 ment, prioritized in the following order and subject to the
10 availability of funds, the following goals:

11 (1) To assist in protecting critical infrastruc-
12 ture and electoral mechanisms from cyberattacks in
13 the following countries:

14 (A) Countries that are members of the
15 North Atlantic Treaty Organization or the Eu-
16 ropean Union that the Secretary of State deter-
17 mines—

18 (i) are vulnerable to influence by the
19 Russian Federation; and

20 (ii) lack the economic capability to ef-
21 fectively respond to aggression by the Rus-
22 sian Federation without the support of the
23 United States.

24 (B) Countries that are participating in the
25 enlargement process of the North Atlantic
26 Treaty Organization or the European Union,

1 including Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina,
2 Georgia, Macedonia, Moldova, Kosovo, Serbia,
3 and Ukraine.

4 (2) To combat corruption, improve the rule of
5 law, and otherwise strengthen independent judi-
6 ciaries and prosecutors general offices in the coun-
7 tries described in paragraph (1).

8 (3) To respond to the humanitarian crises and
9 instability caused or aggravated by the invasions and
10 occupations of Georgia and Ukraine by the Russian
11 Federation.

12 (4) To improve participatory legislative proc-
13 esses and legal education, political transparency and
14 competition, and compliance with international obli-
15 gations in the countries described in paragraph (1).

16 (5) To build the capacity of civil society, media,
17 and other nongovernmental organizations countering
18 the influence and propaganda of the Russian Fed-
19 eration to combat corruption, prioritize access to
20 truthful information, and operate freely in all re-
21 gions in the countries described in paragraph (1).

22 (6) To assist the Secretary of State in exe-
23 cuting the functions specified in section 1287(b) of
24 the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal
25 Year 2017 (Public Law 114–328; 22 U.S.C. 2656

1 note) for the purposes of recognizing, understanding,
2 exposing, and countering propaganda and
3 disinformation efforts by foreign governments, in co-
4 ordination with the relevant regional Assistant Sec-
5 retary or Assistant Secretaries of the Department of
6 State.

7 (c) REVISION OF ACTIVITIES FOR WHICH AMOUNTS
8 MAY BE USED.—The Secretary of State may modify the
9 goals described in subsection (b) if, not later than 15 days
10 before revising such a goal, the Secretary notifies the ap-
11 propriate congressional committees of the revision.

12 (d) IMPLEMENTATION.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State shall,
14 acting through the Coordinator of United States As-
15 sistance to Europe and Eurasia (authorized pursu-
16 ant to section 601 of the Support for East European
17 Democracy (SEED) Act of 1989 (22 U.S.C. 5461)
18 and section 102 of the Freedom for Russia and
19 Emerging Eurasian Democracies and Open Markets
20 Support Act of 1992 (22 U.S.C. 5812)), and in con-
21 sultation with the Administrator for the United
22 States Agency for International Development, the
23 Director of the Global Engagement Center of the
24 Department of State, the Secretary of Defense, the
25 Chairman of the Broadcasting Board of Governors,

1 and the heads of other relevant Federal agencies, co-
2 ordinate and carry out activities to achieve the goals
3 described in subsection (b).

4 (2) METHOD.—Activities to achieve the goals
5 described in subsection (b) shall be carried out
6 through—

7 (A) initiatives of the United States Gov-
8 ernment;

9 (B) Federal grant programs such as the
10 Information Access Fund; or

11 (C) nongovernmental or international orga-
12 nizations, such as the Organization for Security
13 and Co-operation in Europe, the National En-
14 dowment for Democracy, the Black Sea Trust,
15 the Balkan Trust for Democracy, the Prague
16 Civil Society Centre, the North Atlantic Treaty
17 Organization Strategic Communications Centre
18 of Excellence, the European Endowment for
19 Democracy, and related organizations.

20 (3) REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION.—

21 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than April 1
22 of each year, the Secretary of State, acting
23 through the Coordinator of United States As-
24 sistance to Europe and Eurasia, shall submit to
25 the appropriate congressional committees a re-

1 port on the programs and activities carried out
2 to achieve the goals described in subsection (b)
3 during the preceding fiscal year.

4 (B) ELEMENTS.—Each report required by
5 subparagraph (A) shall include, with respect to
6 each program or activity described in that sub-
7 paragraph—

8 (i) the amount of funding for the pro-
9 gram or activity;

10 (ii) the goal described in subsection
11 (b) to which the program or activity re-
12 lates; and

13 (iii) an assessment of whether or not
14 the goal was met.

15 (e) COORDINATION WITH GLOBAL PARTNERS.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—In order to maximize cost
17 efficiency, eliminate duplication, and speed the
18 achievement of the goals described in subsection (b),
19 the Secretary of State shall ensure coordination
20 with—

21 (A) the European Union and its institu-
22 tions;

23 (B) the governments of countries that are
24 members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organi-
25 zation or the European Union; and

(C) international organizations and quasi-governmental funding entities that carry out programs and activities that seek to accomplish the goals described in subsection (b).

(2) REPORT BY SECRETARY OF STATE.—Not later than April 1 of each year, the Secretary of State shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report that includes—

(A) the amount of funding provided to each country referred to in subsection (b) by—

(i) the European Union or its institutions;

(ii) the government of each country that is a member of the European Union or the North Atlantic Treaty Organization; and

(iii) international organizations and quasi-governmental funding entities that carry out programs and activities that seek to accomplish the goals described in subsection (b); and

(B) an assessment of whether the funding described in subparagraph (A) is commensurate with funding provided by the United States for those goals.

1 (f) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-
 2 tion shall be construed to apply to or limit United States
 3 foreign assistance not provided using amounts available in
 4 the Countering Russian Influence Fund.

5 (g) ENSURING ADEQUATE STAFFING FOR GOVERN-
 6 ANCE ACTIVITIES.—In order to ensure that the United
 7 States Government is properly focused on combating cor-
 8 ruption, improving rule of law, and building the capacity
 9 of civil society, media, and other nongovernmental organi-
 10 zations in countries described in subsection (b)(1), the
 11 Secretary of State shall establish a pilot program for For-
 12 eign Service officer positions focused on governance and
 13 anticorruption activities in such countries.

14 **SEC. 255. REPORT ON MEDIA ORGANIZATIONS CON-**
 15 **TROLLED AND FUNDED BY THE GOVERN-**
 16 **MENT OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION.**

17 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
 18 date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter,
 19 the President shall submit to the appropriate congres-
 20 sional committees a report that includes a description of
 21 media organizations that are controlled and funded by the
 22 Government of the Russian Federation, and any affiliated
 23 entities, whether operating within or outside the Russian
 24 Federation, including broadcast and satellite-based tele-
 25 vision, radio, Internet, and print media organizations.

1 (b) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required by sub-
 2 section (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may
 3 include a classified annex.

4 **SEC. 256. REPORT ON RUSSIAN FEDERATION INFLUENCE**
 5 **ON ELECTIONS IN EUROPE AND EURASIA.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
 7 date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter,
 8 the President shall submit to the appropriate congres-
 9 sional committees a report on funds provided by, or funds
 10 the use of which was directed by, the Government of the
 11 Russian Federation or any Russian person with the inten-
 12 tion of influencing the outcome of any election or cam-
 13 paign in any country in Europe or Eurasia during the pre-
 14 ceding year, including through direct support to any polit-
 15 ical party, candidate, lobbying campaign, nongovern-
 16 mental organization, or civic organization.

17 (b) FORM OF REPORT.—Each report required by
 18 subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form but
 19 may include a classified annex.

20 (c) RUSSIAN PERSON DEFINED.—In this section, the
 21 term “Russian person” means—

- 22 (1) an individual who is a citizen or national of
- 23 the Russian Federation; or
- 24 (2) an entity organized under the laws of the
- 25 Russian Federation or otherwise subject to the juris-

1 diction of the Government of the Russian Federa-
2 tion.

3 **SEC. 257. UKRANIAN ENERGY SECURITY.**

4 (a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the
5 United States—

6 (1) to support the Government of Ukraine in
7 restoring its sovereign and territorial integrity;

8 (2) to condemn and oppose all of the desta-
9 bilizing efforts by the Government of the Russian
10 Federation in Ukraine in violation of its obligations
11 and international commitments;

12 (3) to never recognize the illegal annexation of
13 Crimea by the Government of the Russian Federa-
14 tion or the separation of any portion of Ukrainian
15 territory through the use of military force;

16 (4) to deter the Government of the Russian
17 Federation from further destabilizing and invading
18 Ukraine and other independent countries in Central
19 and Eastern Europe and the Caucasus;

20 (5) to assist in promoting reform in regulatory
21 oversight and operations in Ukraine's energy sector,
22 including the establishment and empowerment of an
23 independent regulatory organization;

1 (6) to encourage and support fair competition,
2 market liberalization, and reliability in Ukraine’s en-
3 ergy sector;

4 (7) to help Ukraine and United States allies
5 and partners in Europe reduce their dependence on
6 Russian energy resources, especially natural gas,
7 which the Government of the Russian Federation
8 uses as a weapon to coerce, intimidate, and influence
9 other countries;

10 (8) to work with European Union member
11 states and European Union institutions to promote
12 energy security through developing diversified and
13 liberalized energy markets that provide diversified
14 sources, suppliers, and routes;

15 (9) to continue to oppose the NordStream 2
16 pipeline given its detrimental impacts on the Euro-
17 pean Union’s energy security, gas market develop-
18 ment in Central and Eastern Europe, and energy re-
19 forms in Ukraine; and

20 (10) that the United States Government should
21 prioritize the export of United States energy re-
22 sources in order to create American jobs, help
23 United States allies and partners, and strengthen
24 United States foreign policy.

1 (b) PLAN TO PROMOTE ENERGY SECURITY IN
2 UKRAINE.—

3 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State, in
4 coordination with the Administrator of the United
5 States Agency for International Development and
6 the Secretary of Energy, shall work with the Govern-
7 ment of Ukraine to develop a plan to increase energy
8 security in Ukraine, increase the amount of energy
9 produced in Ukraine, and reduce Ukraine’s reliance
10 on energy imports from the Russian Federation.

11 (2) ELEMENTS.—The plan developed under
12 paragraph (1) shall include strategies for market lib-
13 eralization, effective regulation and oversight, supply
14 diversification, energy reliability, and energy effi-
15 ciency, such as through supporting—

16 (A) the promotion of advanced technology
17 and modern operating practices in Ukraine’s oil
18 and gas sector;

19 (B) modern geophysical and meteorological
20 survey work as needed followed by international
21 tenders to help attract qualified investment into
22 exploration and development of areas with un-
23 tapped resources in Ukraine;

1 (C) a broadening of Ukraine's electric
2 power transmission interconnection with Eu-
3 rope;

4 (D) the strengthening of Ukraine's capa-
5 bility to maintain electric power grid stability
6 and reliability;

7 (E) independent regulatory oversight and
8 operations of Ukraine's gas market and elec-
9 tricity sector;

10 (F) the implementation of primary gas law
11 including pricing, tariff structure, and legal reg-
12 ulatory implementation;

13 (G) privatization of government owned en-
14 ergy companies through credible legal frame-
15 works and a transparent process compliant with
16 international best practices;

17 (H) procurement and transport of emer-
18 gency fuel supplies, including reverse pipeline
19 flows from Europe;

20 (I) provision of technical assistance for cri-
21 sis planning, crisis response, and public out-
22 reach;

23 (J) repair of infrastructure to enable the
24 transport of fuel supplies;

1 (K) repair of power generating or power
2 transmission equipment or facilities; and

3 (L) improved building energy efficiency
4 and other measures designed to reduce energy
5 demand in Ukraine.

6 (3) REPORTS.—

7 (A) IMPLEMENTATION OF UKRAINE FREE-
8 DOM SUPPORT ACT OF 2014 PROVISIONS.—Not
9 later than 180 days after the date of the enact-
10 ment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall
11 submit to the appropriate congressional com-
12 mittees a report detailing the status of imple-
13 menting the provisions required under section
14 7(c) of the Ukraine Freedom Support Act of
15 2014 (22 U.S.C. 8926(c)), including detailing
16 the plans required under that section, the level
17 of funding that has been allocated to and ex-
18 pended for the strategies set forth under that
19 section, and progress that has been made in im-
20 plementing the strategies developed pursuant to
21 that section.

22 (B) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180
23 days after the date of the enactment of this
24 Act, and every 180 days thereafter, the Sec-
25 retary of State shall submit to the appropriate

1 congressional committees a report detailing the
2 plan developed under paragraph (1), the level of
3 funding that has been allocated to and ex-
4 pended for the strategies set forth in paragraph
5 (2), and progress that has been made in imple-
6 menting the strategies.

7 (C) BRIEFINGS.—The Secretary of State,
8 or a designee of the Secretary, shall brief the
9 appropriate congressional committees not later
10 than 30 days after the submission of each re-
11 port under subparagraph (B). In addition, the
12 Department of State shall make relevant offi-
13 cials available upon request to brief the appro-
14 priate congressional committees on all available
15 information that relates directly or indirectly to
16 Ukraine or energy security in Eastern Europe.

17 (D) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COM-
18 MITTEES DEFINED.—In this paragraph, the
19 term “appropriate congressional committees”
20 means—

21 (i) the Committee on Foreign Rela-
22 tions and the Committee on Appropriations
23 of the Senate; and

1 (ii) the Committee on Foreign Affairs
2 and the Committee on Appropriations of
3 the House of Representatives.

4 (c) SUPPORTING EFFORTS OF COUNTRIES IN EU-
5 ROPE AND EURASIA TO DECREASE THEIR DEPENDENCE
6 ON RUSSIAN SOURCES OF ENERGY.—

7 (1) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following
8 findings:

9 (A) The Government of the Russian Fed-
10 eration uses its strong position in the energy
11 sector as leverage to manipulate the internal
12 politics and foreign relations of the countries of
13 Europe and Eurasia.

14 (B) This influence is based not only on the
15 Russian Federation's oil and natural gas re-
16 sources, but also on its state-owned nuclear
17 power and electricity companies.

18 (2) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of
19 Congress that—

20 (A) the United States should assist the ef-
21 forts of the countries of Europe and Eurasia to
22 enhance their energy security through diver-
23 sification of energy supplies in order to lessen
24 dependencies on Russian Federation energy re-
25 sources and state-owned entities; and

1 (B) the Export-Import Bank of the United
2 States and the Overseas Private Investment
3 Corporation should play key roles in supporting
4 critical energy projects that contribute to that
5 goal.

6 (3) USE OF COUNTERING RUSSIAN INFLUENCE
7 FUND TO PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—
8 Amounts in the Countering Russian Influence Fund
9 pursuant to section 254 shall be used to provide
10 technical advice to countries described in subsection
11 (b)(1) of such section designed to enhance energy se-
12 curity and lessen dependence on energy from Rus-
13 sian Federation sources.

14 (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
15 authorized to be appropriated for the Department of State
16 a total of \$30,000,000 for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 to
17 carry out the strategies set forth in subsection (b)(2) and
18 other activities under this section related to the promotion
19 of energy security in Ukraine.

20 (e) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-
21 tion shall be construed as affecting the responsibilities re-
22 quired and authorities provided under section 7 of the
23 Ukraine Freedom Support Act of 2014 (22 U.S.C. 8926).

1 **SEC. 258. TERMINATION.**

2 The provisions of this subtitle shall terminate on the
3 date that is 5 years after the date of the enactment of
4 this Act.

5 **SEC. 259. APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES**
6 **DEFINED.**

7 Except as otherwise provided, in this subtitle, the
8 term “appropriate congressional committees” means—

9 (1) the Committee on Foreign Relations, the
10 Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Af-
11 fairs, the Committee on Armed Services, the Com-
12 mittee on Homeland Security and Governmental Af-
13 fairs, the Committee on Appropriations, and the Se-
14 lect Committee on Intelligence of the Senate; and

15 (2) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the
16 Committee on Financial Services, the Committee on
17 Armed Services, the Committee on Homeland Secu-
18 rity, the Committee on Appropriations, and the Per-
19 manent Select Committee on Intelligence of the
20 House of Representatives.

1 **Subtitle C—Combating Terrorism**
2 **and Illicit Financing**

3 **PART I—NATIONAL STRATEGY FOR COMBATING**
4 **TERRORIST AND OTHER ILLICIT FINANCING**

5 **SEC. 261. DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL STRATEGY.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—The President, acting through the
7 Secretary, shall, in consultation with the Attorney Gen-
8 eral, the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Homeland
9 Security, the Director of National Intelligence, and the ap-
10 propriate Federal banking agencies and Federal functional
11 regulators, develop a national strategy for combating the
12 financing of terrorism and related forms of illicit finance.

13 (b) TRANSMITTAL TO CONGRESS.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year
15 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the
16 President shall submit to the appropriate congres-
17 sional committees a comprehensive national strategy
18 developed in accordance with subsection (a).

19 (2) UPDATES.—Not later than January 31,
20 2020, and January 31, 2022, the President shall
21 submit to the appropriate congressional committees
22 updated versions of the national strategy submitted
23 under paragraph (1).

24 (c) SEPARATE PRESENTATION OF CLASSIFIED MA-
25 TERIAL.—Any part of the national strategy that involves

1 information that is properly classified under criteria estab-
2 lished by the President shall be submitted to Congress sep-
3 arately in a classified annex and, if requested by the chair-
4 man or ranking member of one of the appropriate congres-
5 sional committees, as a briefing at an appropriate level
6 of security.

7 **SEC. 262. CONTENTS OF NATIONAL STRATEGY.**

8 The strategy described in section 261 shall contain
9 the following:

10 (1) EVALUATION OF EXISTING EFFORTS.—An
11 assessment of the effectiveness of and ways in which
12 the United States is currently addressing the highest
13 levels of risk of various forms of illicit finance, in-
14 cluding those identified in the documents entitled
15 “2015 National Money Laundering Risk Assess-
16 ment” and “2015 National Terrorist Financing Risk
17 Assessment”, published by the Department of the
18 Treasury and a description of how the strategy is in-
19 tegrated into, and supports, the broader counter ter-
20 rorism strategy of the United States.

21 (2) GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND PRIORITIES.—A
22 comprehensive, research-based, long-range, quantifi-
23 able discussion of goals, objectives, and priorities for
24 disrupting and preventing illicit finance activities
25 within and transiting the financial system of the

1 United States that outlines priorities to reduce the
 2 incidence, dollar value, and effects of illicit finance.

3 (3) THREATS.—An identification of the most
 4 significant illicit finance threats to the financial sys-
 5 tem of the United States.

6 (4) REVIEWS AND PROPOSED CHANGES.—Re-
 7 views of enforcement efforts, relevant regulations
 8 and relevant provisions of law and, if appropriate,
 9 discussions of proposed changes determined to be
 10 appropriate to ensure that the United States pur-
 11 sues coordinated and effective efforts at all levels of
 12 government, and with international partners of the
 13 United States, in the fight against illicit finance.

14 (5) DETECTION AND PROSECUTION INITIA-
 15 TIVES.—A description of efforts to improve, as nec-
 16 essary, detection and prosecution of illicit finance,
 17 including efforts to ensure that—

18 (A) subject to legal restrictions, all appro-
 19 priate data collected by the Federal Govern-
 20 ment that is relevant to the efforts described in
 21 this section be available in a timely fashion to—

22 (i) all appropriate Federal depart-
 23 ments and agencies; and

24 (ii) as appropriate and consistent with
 25 section 314 of the International Money

1 Laundering Abatement and Financial
2 Anti-Terrorism Act of 2001 (31 U.S.C.
3 5311 note), to financial institutions to as-
4 sist the financial institutions in efforts to
5 comply with laws aimed at curbing illicit fi-
6 nance; and

7 (B) appropriate efforts are undertaken to
8 ensure that Federal departments and agencies
9 charged with reducing and preventing illicit fi-
10 nance make thorough use of publicly available
11 data in furtherance of this effort.

12 (6) THE ROLE OF THE PRIVATE FINANCIAL
13 SECTOR IN PREVENTION OF ILLICIT FINANCE.—A
14 discussion of ways to enhance partnerships between
15 the private financial sector and Federal departments
16 and agencies with regard to the prevention and de-
17 tection of illicit finance, including—

18 (A) efforts to facilitate compliance with
19 laws aimed at stopping such illicit finance while
20 maintaining the effectiveness of such efforts;
21 and

22 (B) providing guidance to strengthen inter-
23 nal controls and to adopt on an industry-wide
24 basis more effective policies.

1 (7) ENHANCEMENT OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL
2 COOPERATION.—A discussion of ways to combat il-
3 licit finance by enhancing—

4 (A) cooperative efforts between and among
5 Federal, State, and local officials, including
6 State regulators, State and local prosecutors,
7 and other law enforcement officials; and

8 (B) cooperative efforts with and between
9 governments of countries and with and between
10 multinational institutions with expertise in
11 fighting illicit finance, including the Financial
12 Action Task Force and the Egmont Group of
13 Financial Intelligence Units.

14 (8) TREND ANALYSIS OF EMERGING ILLICIT FI-
15 NANCE THREATS.—A discussion of and data regard-
16 ing trends in illicit finance, including evolving forms
17 of value transfer such as so-called cryptocurrencies,
18 other methods that are computer, telecommuni-
19 cations, or Internet-based, cyber crime, or any other
20 threats that the Secretary may choose to identify.

21 (9) BUDGET PRIORITIES.—A multiyear budget
22 plan that identifies sufficient resources needed to
23 successfully execute the full range of missions called
24 for in this section.

(10) TECHNOLOGY ENHANCEMENTS.—An analysis of current and developing ways to leverage technology to improve the effectiveness of efforts to stop the financing of terrorism and other forms of illicit finance, including better integration of open-source data.

**PART II—ENHANCING ANTITERRORISM TOOLS
OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

**SEC. 271. IMPROVING ANTITERROR FINANCE MONITORING
OF FUNDS TRANSFERS.**

(a) STUDY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—To improve the ability of the Department of the Treasury to better track cross-border fund transfers and identify potential financing of terrorist or other forms of illicit finance, the Secretary shall carry out a study to assess—

(A) the potential efficacy of requiring banking regulators to establish a pilot program to provide technical assistance to depository institutions and credit unions that wish to provide account services to money services businesses serving individuals in Somalia;

(B) whether such a pilot program could be a model for improving the ability of United States persons to make legitimate funds trans-

1 fers through transparent and easily monitored
2 channels while preserving strict compliance with
3 the Bank Secrecy Act (Public Law 91–508; 84
4 Stat. 1114) and related controls aimed at stop-
5 ping money laundering and the financing of ter-
6 rorism; and

7 (C) consistent with current legal require-
8 ments regarding confidential supervisory infor-
9 mation, the potential impact of allowing money
10 services businesses to share certain State exam-
11 ination information with depository institutions
12 and credit unions, or whether another appro-
13 priate mechanism could be identified to allow a
14 similar exchange of information to give the de-
15 pository institutions and credit unions a better
16 understanding of whether an individual money
17 services business is adequately meeting its anti-
18 money laundering and counter-terror financing
19 obligations to combat money laundering, the fi-
20 nancing of terror, or related illicit finance.

21 (2) PUBLIC INPUT.—The Secretary should so-
22 licit and consider public input as appropriate in de-
23 veloping the study required under subsection (a).

24 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 270 days after the date
25 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit

1 to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Af-
 2 fairs and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Sen-
 3 ate and the Committee on Financial Services and the
 4 Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representa-
 5 tives a report that contains all findings and determina-
 6 tions made in carrying out the study required under sub-
 7 section (a).

8 **SEC. 272. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON INTERNATIONAL CO-**
 9 **OPERATION REGARDING TERRORIST FINANC-**
 10 **ING INTELLIGENCE.**

11 It is the sense of Congress that the Secretary, acting
 12 through the Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial
 13 Crimes, should intensify work with foreign partners to
 14 help the foreign partners develop intelligence analytic ca-
 15 pacities, in a financial intelligence unit, finance ministry,
 16 or other appropriate agency, that are—

- 17 (1) commensurate to the threats faced by the
 18 foreign partner; and
 19 (2) designed to better integrate intelligence ef-
 20 forts with the anti-money laundering and counter-
 21 terrorist financing regimes of the foreign partner.

1 **SEC. 273. EXAMINING THE COUNTER-TERROR FINANCING**
2 **ROLE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE TREAS-**
3 **URY IN EMBASSIES.**

4 Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-
5 ment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to the Com-
6 mittee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs and the
7 Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate and the
8 Committee on Financial Services and the Committee on
9 Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives a report
10 that contains—

11 (1) a list of the United States embassies in
12 which a full-time Department of the Treasury finan-
13 cial attaché is stationed and a description of how the
14 interests of the Department of the Treasury relating
15 to terrorist financing and money laundering are ad-
16 dressed (via regional attachés or otherwise) at
17 United States embassies where no such attachés are
18 present;

19 (2) a list of the United States embassies at
20 which the Department of the Treasury has assigned
21 a technical assistance advisor from the Office of
22 Technical Assistance of the Department of the
23 Treasury;

24 (3) an overview of how Department of the
25 Treasury financial attachés and technical assistance
26 advisors assist in efforts to counter illicit finance, to

1 include money laundering, terrorist financing, and
 2 proliferation financing; and

3 (4) an overview of patterns, trends, or other
 4 issues identified by the Department of the Treasury
 5 and whether resources are sufficient to address these
 6 issues.

7 **SEC. 274. INCLUSION OF SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY ON**
 8 **THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 101(c)(1) of the National
 10 Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3021(c)(1)) is amended
 11 by inserting “the Secretary of the Treasury,” before “and
 12 such other officers”.

13 (b) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—The amendment
 14 made by subsection (a) may not be construed to authorize
 15 the National Security Council to have a professional staff
 16 level that exceeds the limitation set forth under section
 17 101(e)(3) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C.
 18 3021(e)(3)).

19 **SEC. 275. INCLUSION OF ALL FUNDS.**

20 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 5326 of title 31, United
 21 States Code, is amended—

22 (1) in the heading of such section, by striking
 23 “coin and currency”;

24 (2) in subsection (a)—

1 (A) by striking “subtitle and” and insert-
 2 ing “subtitle or to”; and

3 (B) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking
 4 “United States coins or currency (or such other
 5 monetary instruments as the Secretary may de-
 6 scribe in such order)” and inserting “funds (as
 7 the Secretary may describe in such order),”;
 8 and
 9 (3) in subsection (b)—

10 (A) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking “coins
 11 or currency (or monetary instruments)” and in-
 12 serting “funds”; and

13 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “coins or
 14 currency (or such other monetary instruments
 15 as the Secretary may describe in the regulation
 16 or order)” and inserting “funds (as the Sec-
 17 retary may describe in the regulation or
 18 order)”.

19 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents
 20 for chapter 53 of title 31, United States Code, is amended
 21 in the item relating to section 5326 by striking “coin and
 22 currency”.

23 **PART III—DEFINITIONS**

24 **SEC. 281. DEFINITIONS.**

25 In this subtitle—

1 (1) the term “appropriate congressional com-
2 mittees” means—

3 (A) the Committee on Banking, Housing,
4 and Urban Affairs, the Committee on Foreign
5 Relations, Committee on Armed Services, Com-
6 mittee on the Judiciary, Committee on Home-
7 land Security and Governmental Affairs, and
8 the Select Committee on Intelligence of the
9 Senate; and

10 (B) the Committee on Financial Services,
11 the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Com-
12 mittee on Armed Services, the Committee on
13 the Judiciary, Committee on Homeland Secu-
14 rity, and the Permanent Select Committee on
15 Intelligence of the House of Representatives;

16 (2) the term “appropriate Federal banking
17 agencies” has the meaning given the term in section
18 3 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C.
19 1813);

20 (3) the term “Bank Secrecy Act” means—

21 (A) section 21 of the Federal Deposit In-
22 surance Act (12 U.S.C. 1829b);

23 (B) chapter 2 of title I of Public Law 91–
24 508 (12 U.S.C. 1951 et seq.); and

1 (C) subchapter II of chapter 53 of title 31,
2 United States Code;

3 (4) the term “Federal functional regulator” has
4 the meaning given that term in section 509 of the
5 Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act (15 U.S.C. 6809);

6 (5) the term “illicit finance” means the financ-
7 ing of terrorism, narcotics trafficking, or prolifera-
8 tion, money laundering, or other forms of illicit fi-
9 nancing domestically or internationally, as defined
10 by the President;

11 (6) the term “money services business” has the
12 meaning given the term under section 1010.100 of
13 title 31, Code of Federal Regulations;

14 (7) the term “Secretary” means the Secretary
15 of the Treasury; and

16 (8) the term “State” means each of the several
17 States, the District of Columbia, and each territory
18 or possession of the United States.

19 **Subtitle D—Rule of Construction**

20 **SEC. 291. RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.**

21 Nothing in this title or the amendments made by this
22 title (other than sections 216 and 236(b)) shall be con-
23 strued to limit the authority of the President under the
24 International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50
25 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.).

1 **SEC. 292. SENSE OF SENATE ON THE STRATEGIC IMPOR-**
2 **TANCE OF ARTICLE 5 OF THE NORTH ATLAN-**
3 **TIC TREATY.**

4 (a) FINDINGS.—The Senate makes the following
5 findings:

6 (1) The principle of collective defense of the
7 North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) is im-
8 mortalized in Article 5 of the North Atlantic Treaty
9 in which members pledge that “an armed attack
10 against one or more of them in Europe or North
11 America shall be considered an attack against them
12 all”.

13 (2) For almost 7 decades, the principle of col-
14 lective defense has effectively served as a strategic
15 deterrent for the member nations of the North At-
16 lantic Treaty Organization and provided stability
17 throughout the world, strengthening the security of
18 the United States and all 28 other member nations.

19 (3) Following the September 11, 2001, terrorist
20 attacks in New York, Washington, and Pennsyl-
21 vania, the Alliance agreed to invoke Article 5 for the
22 first time, affirming its commitment to collective de-
23 fense.

24 (4) Countries that are members of the North
25 Atlantic Treaty Organization have made historic
26 contributions and sacrifices while combating ter-

1 rorism in Afghanistan through the International Se-
2 curity Assistance Force and the Resolute Support
3 Mission.

4 (5) The recent attacks in the United Kingdom
5 underscore the importance of an international alli-
6 ance to combat hostile nation states and terrorist
7 groups.

8 (6) At the 2014 NATO summit in Wales, the
9 member countries of the North Atlantic Treaty Or-
10 ganization decided that all countries that are mem-
11 bers of NATO would spend an amount equal to 2
12 percent of their gross domestic product on defense
13 by 2024.

14 (7) Collective defense unites the 29 members of
15 the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, each com-
16 mitting to protecting and supporting one another
17 from external adversaries, which bolsters the North
18 Atlantic Alliance.

19 (b) SENSE OF SENATE.—It is the sense of the Sen-
20 ate—

21 (1) to express the vital importance of Article 5
22 of the North Atlantic Treaty, the charter of the
23 North Atlantic Treaty Organization, as it continues
24 to serve as a critical deterrent to potential hostile
25 nations and terrorist organizations;

1 (2) to remember the first and only invocation of
2 Article 5 by the North Atlantic Treaty Organization
3 in support of the United States after the terrorist
4 attacks of September 11, 2001;

5 (3) to affirm that the United States remains
6 fully committed to the North Atlantic Treaty Orga-
7 nization and will honor its obligations enshrined in
8 Article 5; and

9 (4) to condemn any threat to the sovereignty,
10 territorial integrity, freedom, or democracy of any
11 country that is a member of the North Atlantic
12 Treaty Organization.

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