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To combat international violence against women and girls.

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Mr. KERRY (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. SNOWE, and Ms. COLLINS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

A BILL

To combat international violence against women and girls.

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

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

4 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the
5 “International Violence Against Women Act of 2010”.

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

- Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
- Sec. 2. Findings.
- Sec. 3. Statement of policy.
- Sec. 4. Definitions.

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TITLE II—OTHER PROVISIONS

Sec. 201. Support for multilateral efforts to end violence against women and girls.

1 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

2 Congress makes the following findings:

3 (1) According to the United Nations, approxi-
 4 mately 1 out of every 3 women throughout the world
 5 has been beaten, coerced into sex, or otherwise
 6 abused in her lifetime. The World Health Organiza-
 7 tion has reported that up to 70 percent of women
 8 in some countries report having been victims of do-
 9 mestic violence at some stage in their lives.

10 (2) According to the United Nations, engaging
 11 men and women to end violence against women and
 12 girls internationally should be a priority. In recogni-
 13 tion of this priority, United Nations Secretary-Gen-
 14 eral Ban Ki-moon launched a multi-year campaign
 15 in 2009 to end violence against women and pledge

1 resources to engage male leaders and to mobilize
2 men and boys.

3 (3) Violence against women dramatically im-
4 pedes progress in meeting all of our global health
5 goals, including efforts to stem maternal mortality
6 and the spread of HIV/AIDS. Approximately 1 in 4
7 women are abused during pregnancy, which, accord-
8 ing to the World Health Organization, has been
9 linked to miscarriage, pre-term labor, low birth
10 weight, fetal distress, and death. Women who have
11 experienced violence are also at higher risk for con-
12 tracting HIV, and women living with HIV may be
13 up to 3 times more likely to experience violence than
14 other women. Fear of violence also prevents women
15 from accessing HIV/AIDS information and receiving
16 treatment and counseling.

17 (4) Increasing women's access to economic op-
18 portunities is crucial to preventing and responding
19 to domestic and sexual violence. Microfinance-based
20 interventions and increased asset control reduce lev-
21 els of intimate partner violence and provide eco-
22 nomic independence for survivors.

23 (5) Displaced, refugee, and stateless women and
24 girls in humanitarian emergencies, conflict settings,

1 and natural disasters face extreme violence and
2 threats because of power inequities, including—

3 (A) being forced to exchange sex for food
4 and humanitarian supplies; and

5 (B) being at increased risk of rape, sexual
6 exploitation, and abuse.

7 (6) Rape and sexual assault against women and
8 girls are used to torture, intimidate, and terrorize
9 women and their communities.

10 (7) According to UNICEF, child marriage—

11 (A) is a harmful practice that deprives
12 girls of their dignity and human rights;

13 (B) can result in bonded labor or enslave-
14 ment, commercial sexual exploitation, and vio-
15 lence against the victims;

16 (C) significantly increases the risk of ma-
17 ternal death and morbidity, infant mortality
18 and morbidity, obstetric fistula, and sexually
19 transmitted diseases, including HIV/AIDS; and

20 (D) is perpetuated by poverty, a lack of
21 educational or employment opportunities for
22 girls, parental concerns to ensure sexual rela-
23 tions within marriage, the dowry system, and
24 the perceived lack of value of girls.

1 **SEC. 3. STATEMENT OF POLICY.**

2 It is the policy of the United States to—

3 (1) systematically integrate and coordinate ef-
4 forts to prevent and respond to violence against
5 women and girls internationally into United States
6 foreign policy and foreign assistance programs;

7 (2) expand the implementation of effective prac-
8 tices and programs;

9 (3) promote women’s political, economic, edu-
10 cational, social, cultural, civil, and human rights and
11 opportunities throughout the world;

12 (4) support and build capacity of indigenous
13 nongovernmental organizations that are working to
14 prevent and respond to violence against women and
15 girls internationally, particularly women’s non-
16 governmental organizations and groups involving
17 male advocates;

18 (5) support and encourage United States orga-
19 nizations working in partnership with nongovern-
20 mental organizations described in paragraph (4);

21 (6) prevent and respond to violence against
22 women and girls internationally through multise-
23 toral methods, working at individual, family, commu-
24 nity, local, national, and international levels and in-
25 corporating service, prevention, training, and advo-

1 cacy activities and economic, education, health, legal,
2 and protective intervention services;

3 (7) enhance training and other prevention and
4 response to violence against women and girls inter-
5 nationally in humanitarian relief, conflict, and post-
6 conflict settings;

7 (8) enhance training by United States personnel
8 of professional foreign military and police forces and
9 judicial officials to include specific and thorough in-
10 struction on preventing and responding to violence
11 against women and girls internationally;

12 (9) increase communication and cooperation
13 with nongovernmental organizations with dem-
14 onstrated experience in women's empowerment, com-
15 bating violence against women and girls internation-
16 ally, and engaging men and boys as partners, includ-
17 ing consulting with such organizations during stra-
18 tegic planning exercises;

19 (10) more regularly engage men and boys as
20 community leaders, partners, and advocates in end-
21 ing violence against women and girls;

22 (11) include—

23 (A) prevention of child marriage as an im-
24 portant part of preventing violence against
25 girls; and

1 (B) ending the practice of child marriage
2 by promoting education and skills building for
3 girls, community programs, and increased eco-
4 nomic opportunities for women to achieve the
5 Millennium Development Goals and United
6 States global health and development objectives;

7 (12) ensure that private security firms con-
8 tracted for service in conflict, humanitarian, and
9 post-conflict settings appropriately report on, and re-
10 spond to, violence against women and girls inter-
11 nationally; and

12 (13) continue United States leadership and in-
13 novative efforts at the United Nations to address vi-
14 olence against women and girls internationally, par-
15 ticularly through urging the United Nations Sec-
16 retary-General and United Nations member states to
17 fully implement the provisions of United Nations Se-
18 curity Council Resolutions 1325, 1820, and 1888,
19 and other relevant United Nations agreements and
20 initiatives.

21 **SEC. 4. DEFINITIONS.**

22 In this Act:

23 (1) CHILD MARRIAGE.—The term “child mar-
24 riage” means the marriage of a girl or a boy, who

1 has not reached the minimum legal age for marriage
2 in the country in which the girl or boy is a resident.

3 (2) ELIGIBLE COUNTRIES.—The term “eligible
4 countries” means countries that are not classified as
5 high-income countries in the most recent edition of
6 the World Development Report for Reconstruction
7 and Development, published by the International
8 Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

9 (3) PREVENTION AND RESPONSE.—The term
10 “prevention and response” means activities designed
11 to prevent and respond to violence against women
12 and girls.

13 (4) USAID ADMINISTRATOR.—The term
14 “USAID Administrator” means the Administrator
15 of the United States Agency for International Devel-
16 opment.

17 (5) VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS.—
18 The term “violence against women and girls”—

19 (A) means any act of violence against
20 women or girls that results in, or is likely to re-
21 sult in, physical, sexual, or psychological harm
22 or suffering to women or girls, including threats
23 of such acts, coercion, or arbitrary deprivations
24 of liberty, whether occurring in public or private
25 life; and

1 (B) includes—

2 (i) physical, sexual, and psychological
3 violence occurring in the family, including
4 battering, sexual abuse of female children
5 in the household, dowry-related violence,
6 marital rape, female genital cutting and
7 mutilation, forced child marriage, and
8 other traditional practices harmful to
9 women and girls, nonspousal violence, and
10 violence related to exploitation;

11 (ii) physical, sexual, and psychological
12 violence occurring within the general com-
13 munity, including rape, sexual abuse, sex-
14 ual harassment and intimidation at work,
15 in educational institutions and elsewhere,
16 trafficking in women and girls, and forced
17 prostitution; and

18 (iii) physical, sexual, and psycho-
19 logical violence perpetrated or condoned by
20 the government of the country of which the
21 victim is a resident, regardless of where
22 the violence occurs.

1 **TITLE I—INTERNATIONAL PRE-**
2 **VENTION OF VIOLENCE**
3 **AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS**
4 **Subtitle A—Official Designations**
5 **and Institutional Changes**

6 **SEC. 101. DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE.**

7 (a) DESIGNATION.—The Secretary of State, in ful-
8 filling the duties and purposes of this Act, shall designate
9 a senior official in the Department of State to conduct
10 the relevant activities pursuant to this Act. For the pur-
11 poses of this Act, that designee shall be referred to as the
12 “Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women’s Issues”.

13 (b) SUPPORT STAFF.—The Secretary of State shall
14 designate appropriate staff to support the efforts of the
15 Ambassador.

16 (c) DUTIES.—The Ambassador shall coordinate and
17 advise, and where relevant lead—

18 (1) State Department activities and policies, in-
19 cluding as they affect programs and funding relating
20 to prevention and response, including gender inte-
21 gration and women’s development internationally as
22 relates to prevention and response;

23 (2) the design, and as appropriate, implementa-
24 tion of projects regarding prevention and response,
25 including gender integration and women’s develop-

1 ment internationally as relates to prevention and re-
2 sponse;

3 (3) the integration of prevention and response
4 analysis into U.S. Government departments' and
5 agencies' international programs, structures, proc-
6 esses and capacities;

7 (4) allocation of State Department resources
8 for—

9 (A) prevention and response; and

10 (B) development of the comprehensive
11 international strategy described in section 300G
12 to reduce violence against women and girls;

13 (5) on behalf of the Secretary, conduct regular
14 cooperation with civil society with demonstrated ex-
15 perience in prevention and response and women's de-
16 velopment issues internationally as relates to preven-
17 tion and response;

18 (6) serve as the principal advisor to the Sec-
19 retary of State regarding violence against women
20 and girls as a foreign policy matter; and

21 (7) at the direction of the Secretary of State,
22 represent the United States in bilateral, inter-
23 national and nongovernmental fora in matters rel-
24 evant to violence against women and girls including

1 the status of women internationally as relates to pre-
2 vention and response.

3 (d) INFORMATION-SHARING AND TRANSPARENCY.—

4 On behalf of the Secretary, the Ambassador shall be the
5 central repository of evaluation and monitoring data on
6 Department of State programs that relate to prevention
7 and response, and also for Federal Government agencies
8 engaged in international prevention and response, in order
9 to produce a full accounting of United States Government
10 spending on prevention and response, and to prepare the
11 comprehensive strategy developed under section 111.

12 (e) CONGRESSIONAL BRIEFINGS.—Not later than 6

13 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, and
14 annually thereafter, the Ambassador shall brief Congress
15 on the integration of gender considerations and prevention
16 and response into its strategies, programming, and associ-
17 ated outcomes, and shall present Congress with an assess-
18 ment of human and financial resources necessary to fulfill
19 the purposes and duties of this section.

20 (f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is

21 authorized to be appropriated, for each of fiscal years
22 2011 through 2015—

23 (1) \$5,000,000 for administration, staffing,
24 travel, and related expenditures; and

1 (2) \$5,000,000 in program funds to carry out
2 activities under this section.

3 **SEC. 102. DUTIES OF THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE UNITED**
4 **STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DE-**
5 **VELOPMENT.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—The USAID Administrator, in
7 fulfilling the duties and purposes of this Act, shall des-
8 ignate a senior official (referred to in this Act as the
9 “Women’s Development Advisor” or the “Advisor”), who
10 shall report directly to the USAID Administrator to co-
11 ordinate and conduct prevention and response activities
12 described in this Act.

13 (b) SUPPORT STAFF.—The USAID Administrator
14 shall designate appropriate staff to support the efforts of
15 the Women’s Development Advisor.

16 (c) DUTIES.—The Advisor shall coordinate and guide
17 all USAID efforts to—

18 (1) integrate prevention and response, as well
19 as broader gender issues in foreign assistance;

20 (2) coordinate and consult with the Ambassador
21 and USAID mission directors in carrying out (c)(1);

22 (3) provide high level guidance to USAID mis-
23 sions, offices, and bureaus on prevention and re-
24 sponse, gender integration, design, strategy and pro-
25 gramming; and

1 (4) participate in agency-wide monitoring and
2 evaluation on gender integration activities and strat-
3 egies, including prevention and response.

4 (d) COORDINATED USAID REPORTING.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—USAID technical and re-
6 gional bureaus identified by the USAID Adminis-
7 trator and the Advisor shall annually provide the
8 Advisor with such data and findings collected under
9 subsection (c)(4) as may be requested by the Advi-
10 sor.

11 (2) SCOPE OF DATA.—The data and findings
12 provided under paragraph (1)—

13 (A) shall include relevant contractors, sub-
14 contractors, grantees, and subgrantees receiving
15 program funds made available for prevention
16 and response, and women’s development glob-
17 ally as a method of prevention; and

18 (B) shall be made publicly available.

19 (3) SECURITY CONCERNS.—In determining the
20 data and findings to be provided under this sub-
21 section, the Advisor shall take into account the secu-
22 rity concerns of USAID grantees and subgrantees.

23 (e) CONGRESSIONAL BRIEFINGS.—Not later than 6
24 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, and
25 annually thereafter, the Advisor, in coordination with the

1 Ambassador, shall brief Congress on the integration of
2 gender considerations and prevention and response into its
3 strategies, programming, and associated outcomes, using
4 data collected under subsection (d), and shall present Con-
5 gress with an assessment of human and financial re-
6 sources necessary to fulfill the purposes and duties of this
7 section.

8 (f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to amounts oth-
10 erwise available, there is authorized to be appro-
11 priated, for each of the fiscal years 2011 through
12 2015—

13 (A) \$5,000,000 for operations, administra-
14 tion, and related expenditures; and

15 (B) \$5,000,000 in program funds to carry
16 out the activities under this section.

17 (2) SUPERVISION OF EXPENDITURES.—

18 Amounts appropriated pursuant to this subsection
19 shall be expended under the direction of the Advisor.

1 **Subtitle B—Strategy, Policy, and**
2 **Programs**

3 **SEC. 111. COMPREHENSIVE INTERNATIONAL STRATEGY**
4 **AND ASSISTANCE TO REDUCE AND PREVENT**
5 **VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS.**

6 (a) DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF
7 STRATEGY.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the
8 enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, under the
9 direction of the President and with the assistance of the
10 USAID Administrator, shall—

11 (1) develop a comprehensive, 5-year inter-
12 national strategy to prevent and respond to violence
13 against women and girls internationally; and

14 (2) submit the strategy developed under para-
15 graph (1) to the Committee on Foreign Relations of
16 the Senate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of
17 the House of Representatives.

18 (b) COLLABORATION AND COORDINATION.—In devel-
19 oping the strategy under subsection (a), the Secretary of
20 State, with the assistance of the USAID Administrator,
21 shall consult with—

22 (1) executive branch agencies and entities ad-
23 ministering international programs;

24 (2) the Senior Policy Operating Group on Traf-
25 ficking in Persons;

1 (3) representatives of civil society with dem-
2 onstrated experience combating violence against
3 women and girls or promoting women’s health or
4 women’s development issues internationally.

5 (c) CONTENT.—The strategy developed under sub-
6 section (a) shall—

7 (1) identify countries with significant levels of
8 violence against women and girls that have the gov-
9 ernment or nongovernment organizational capacity
10 to manage and implement gender-based violence pre-
11 vention and response program activities;

12 (2) select up to 20 of the countries described in
13 paragraph (1) in which to develop a gender-inte-
14 grated, comprehensive, and holistic individual coun-
15 try plan that incorporates at least 2 of the program
16 activities listed in subsection (d);

17 (3) assess and describe the current or potential
18 capacity of each government or civil society to ad-
19 dress and respond to violence against women and
20 girls;

21 (4) identify and coordinate with Federal depart-
22 ments and agencies that—

23 (A) have existing programs relevant to the
24 strategy; or

1 (B) will be involved in new program activi-
2 ties;

3 (5) describe the monitoring and evaluation
4 mechanisms established for each country, and their
5 use in assessing overall progress in prevention and
6 response;

7 (6) project general levels of resources needed to
8 achieve the stated objectives in each country, includ-
9 ing an accounting of—

10 (A) activities and funding already ex-
11 pended by the Department of State, USAID,
12 other Federal agencies, other donor country
13 governments, and other multilateral institu-
14 tions; and

15 (B) leveraged private sector resources;

16 (7) include capacity-building and technical as-
17 sistance for community-based women's nongovern-
18 mental organizations and community-based organi-
19 zations with demonstrated expertise in women's em-
20 powerment, including combating violence against
21 women and girls internationally;

22 (8) identify and coordinate with existing non-
23 governmental and multilateral programs, initiatives,
24 and groups with demonstrated experience on pre-
25 venting and responding to violence against women

1 and girls internationally, particularly coordinating
2 with women's organizations and community-based
3 groups; and

4 (9) integrate gender analysis into the strategy
5 for each country to ensure that the roles of women,
6 girls, men, and boys are appropriately addressed.

7 (d) PROGRAM ACTIVITIES SUPPORTED.—Assistance
8 provided under this section shall be used to carry out
9 country-specific strategies under subsection (a) through
10 multi-sectoral prevention and response activities specified
11 by the Ambassador and Advisor and that fall under at
12 least 2 of the following broad categories:

13 (1) Enhancing the capacity of the health sector
14 to respond to violence against women and girls.

15 (2) Development and enforcement of civil and
16 criminal legal and judicial sanctions, protections,
17 trainings, and capacity.

18 (3) Development of programs affecting social
19 norms, community attitudes, and male and female
20 participation in violence and response to victims.

21 (4) Ensuring accessible quality educational and
22 literacy opportunities for women and girls.

23 (5) Promotion of access to economic oppor-
24 tunity projects, including increasing distribution,

1 credit, property, and inheritance rights for women
2 and girls.

3 **SEC. 112. ASSISTANCE TO REDUCE INTERNATIONAL VIO-**
4 **LENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS.**

5 (a) COORDINATION OF EXISTING ASSISTANCE PRO-
6 GRAMS.—The Ambassador, working with the Advisor,
7 shall, to the fullest extent practicable, coordinate activities
8 and measures to prevent and respond to violence against
9 women and girls internationally into existing programs,
10 contracts, grants, agreements, and foreign assistance
11 under the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 and other Acts
12 authorizing and appropriating foreign assistance, as appli-
13 cable.

14 (b) AUTHORITY.—To implement and execute the
15 comprehensive international strategy developed pursuant
16 to section 111, the Secretary of State and the USAID Ad-
17 ministrator, in consultation with the Ambassador and the
18 Advisor, may provide assistance to nongovernmental orga-
19 nizations, multilateral institutions, and foreign countries
20 for program activities described in section 111(d).

21 (c) ALLOCATION OF NEW FUNDING.—The Secretary
22 of State and the USAID Administrator, based on guidance
23 from the Ambassador and the Advisor, may allocate funds
24 to implement and execute the comprehensive international
25 strategy developed pursuant to section 111.

1 (d) USE OF FUNDS.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—Any funds made available
3 under this section to nongovernmental organizations
4 should be designated to organizations that—

5 (A) have demonstrated experience regard-
6 ing violence against women and girls inter-
7 nationally or have entered into a partnership
8 with an organization with such experience; and

9 (B) have demonstrated capabilities or ex-
10 perience in a particular program activity de-
11 scribed in section 111(d).

12 (2) CONGRESSIONAL BRIEFINGS.—The Sec-
13 retary of State and the USAID Administrator shall
14 brief Congress upon request, on the transparent
15 mechanisms used to ensure that funds made avail-
16 able under this section through nongovernmental or-
17 ganizations are awarded to organizations described
18 in paragraph (1).

19 (e) GRANTS TO WOMEN’S NONGOVERNMENTAL OR-
20 GANIZATIONS AND COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZA-
21 TIONS.—Special efforts shall be made to award amounts
22 appropriated to carry out this Act to community-based
23 and women’s nongovernmental organizations in recipient
24 countries. The Advisor shall brief Congress, upon request,

1 on efforts made to assist such organizations to be eligible
2 for such funds.

3 (f) AWARD PROCESS.—Grant amounts awarded
4 under this section shall be provided through an open, com-
5 petitive, and transparent process to the extent possible.

6 (g) CONDITIONS.—Entities receiving grants under
7 this section—

8 (1) shall allocate a reasonable portion of such
9 grants for data collection and the evaluation of pro-
10 gram effectiveness;

11 (2) shall be responsible for developing and re-
12 porting on outcomes and impacts relating to pre-
13 venting and responding to violence against women
14 and girls internationally;

15 (3) should gather input from women’s non-
16 governmental organizations or community-based or-
17 ganizations in recipient countries, including organi-
18 zations with experience in working with men and
19 boys to prevent violence; and

20 (4) shall consider the safety of women and girls
21 as a primary concern in deciding how to design, im-
22 plement, monitor, and evaluate programs.

23 (h) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—In addition to amounts oth-
25 erwise available for such purposes, there is author-

1 (3) the impact of activities funded by the strat-
2 egy in preventing and reducing violence against
3 women and girls internationally.

4 (b) AMENDMENTS.—Section 116(d) of the Foreign
5 Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2151n(d)) is amend-
6 ed—

7 (1) in paragraph (10), by striking “and” at the
8 end;

9 (2) in paragraph (11)(C), by striking the period
10 at the end and inserting “; and”; and

11 (3) by adding at the end the following:

12 “(12) wherever applicable, the nature and ex-
13 tent of violence against women and girls (as defined
14 in section 4 of the International Violence Against
15 Women Act of 2010).”.

16 (c) TRANSPARENCY.—Upon request, the Secretary of
17 State shall provide to Congress the information made
18 available under sections 101(d) and 102(d), including out-
19 comes and impacts related to prevention and response to
20 violence against women and girls internationally submitted
21 by contractors, subcontractors, grantees and subgrantees,
22 unless such disclosure would inhibit the security or effec-
23 tiveness of such entities.

24 (d) RESEARCH AND DATA COLLECTION.—The Am-
25 bassador, assisted by the USAID Administrator and the

1 heads of relevant bureaus and offices of the Department
2 of State and in consultation with the Secretary of Health
3 and Human Services and the Attorney General—

4 (1) shall work to improve the quality and co-
5 ordination of existing data collection and evaluations
6 of current violence against women and girls inter-
7 nationally programs; and

8 (2) may provide financial assistance for original
9 research or analysis of effective interventions to pre-
10 vent or respond to violence against women and girls
11 internationally.

12 (e) USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts authorized to be ap-
13 propriated in this section may be used to—

14 (1) collect and analyze new or existing data on
15 the scope and extent of all forms of violence against
16 women and girls internationally, including under-
17 documented forms of violence and violence against
18 marginalized groups;

19 (2) conduct research on effective interventions
20 to respond to violence against women and girls inter-
21 nationally, including efforts to scale up effective pro-
22 gramming; and

23 (3) support systemic data collection using inter-
24 nationally comparable indicators, norms, and meth-
25 odologies for measuring the scope, prevalence, and

1 incidence of violence against women and girls inter-
2 nationally, working through—

3 (A) governments of foreign countries; and

4 (B) federally funded development assist-
5 ance and health assistance.

6 (f) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
7 authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of State
8 \$20,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 2011 through
9 2015 to carry out the activities under this section.

10 **SEC. 114. ENHANCING UNITED STATES TRAINING OF FOR-**
11 **IGN MILITARY AND POLICE FORCES AND JU-**
12 **DICIAL OFFICIALS ON VIOLENCE AGAINST**
13 **WOMEN AND GIRLS.**

14 (a) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to en-
15 sure that United States programs to train foreign mili-
16 tary, police, and judicial officials include instruction on
17 prevention of and response to violence against women and
18 girls.

19 (b) COVERED PROGRAMS.—The programs referred to
20 in subsection (a) include—

21 (1) activities authorized under the Foreign As-
22 sistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2151 et seq.); and

23 (2) activities under section 1206 of the Na-
24 tional Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year

1 2006 (Public Law 109–163; 119 Stat. 3456), as
2 amended.

3 (c) GUIDANCE.—The Secretary of State and the Sec-
4 retary of Defense shall, as appropriate—

5 (1) incorporate training on prevention and re-
6 sponse into the basic training curricula of foreign
7 military forces and judicial officials; and

8 (2) ensure that United States assistance to
9 units involved in regional or multilateral peace-
10 keeping operations includes training on prevention
11 and response.

12 (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
13 authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be nec-
14 essary for each of the fiscal years 2011 through 2015 to
15 carry out the activities under this section.

16 **SEC. 115. ADDRESSING VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND**
17 **GIRLS IN HUMANITARIAN RELIEF, PEACE-**
18 **KEEPING, CONFLICT, AND POST-CONFLICT**
19 **SETTINGS.**

20 (a) DEFINED TERM.—In this section, the term
21 “Inter-Agency Standing Committee” means the committee
22 established in response to United Nations General Assem-
23 bly Resolution 46/182, adopted at New York on December
24 19, 1991.

1 (b) ACTIVITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE
2 WITH THE UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTER-
3 NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT.—

4 (1) GUIDANCE.—Under the direction of the
5 Secretary of State, the Ambassador is authorized to
6 provide guidance to the USAID Administrator and
7 the Assistant Secretary for Population, Refugees,
8 and Migration.

9 (2) DUTIES.—The USAID Administrator and
10 the Assistant Secretary shall—

11 (A) consider the Ambassador’s guidance to
12 the extent practicable;

13 (B) provide assistance to programs carried
14 out by international organizations, international
15 and local nongovernmental organizations, and
16 governments, as appropriate, that—

17 (i) prevent and respond to violence
18 against women and girls in humanitarian
19 relief, conflict, and post-conflict settings;

20 (ii) adhere to the Inter-Agency Stand-
21 ing Committee’s Guidelines for Gender-
22 based Violence Interventions in Humani-
23 tarian Settings;

24 (iii) build the capacity of humani-
25 tarian organizations and government au-

1 thorities, as appropriate, to address the
2 special protection needs of women and chil-
3 dren;

4 (iv) support efforts to provide imme-
5 diate assistance to survivors of violence
6 and reintegrate such individuals through
7 education, psychosocial assistance, trauma
8 counseling, family and community reinser-
9 tion and reunification, medical assistance,
10 and economic opportunity programs; and

11 (v) provide legal services for women
12 and girls who are victims of violence;

13 (C) ensure that activities to prevent and
14 respond to violence against women and girls
15 internationally are incorporated into any multi-
16 lateral or bilateral disarmament, demobilization,
17 rehabilitation, and reintegration efforts by—

18 (i) providing protection and suitable
19 separate facilities in demobilization and
20 transit centers for women and girls for-
21 merly involved in, or associated with, fight-
22 ing forces;

23 (ii) ensuring equitable reintegration
24 activities and opportunities for such
25 women and girls, including access to

1 schooling, vocational training, employment,
2 and childcare;

3 (iii) providing essential medical care
4 and psychosocial support for such women
5 and girls who are victims of violence; and

6 (iv) incorporating prevention and re-
7 sponse to violence against women and girls
8 into programs for former combatants;

9 (D) designate and deploy specialists in vio-
10 lence against women and girls, as appropriate,
11 as an integral part of the United States Agency
12 for International Development's Disaster As-
13 sistance Response Teams to ensure the integra-
14 tion of prevention and response to violence
15 against women and girls internationally in
16 strategies and programming; and

17 (E) strive to ensure that all grantees de-
18 ployed in humanitarian relief, conflict, and
19 post-conflict operations—

20 (i) comply with the Inter-Agency
21 Standing Committee's Six Core Principles
22 Relating to Sexual Exploitation and Abuse;

23 (ii) train all humanitarian workers in
24 preventing and responding to violence
25 against women and girls, including in the

1 use of mechanisms to report violence
2 against women and girls;

3 (iii) conduct appropriate public out-
4 reach to make known to the host commu-
5 nity the mechanisms to report violence
6 against women and girls; and

7 (iv) promptly and appropriately re-
8 spond to reports of violence against women
9 and girls and treat survivors in accordance
10 with best practices regarding confiden-
11 tiality.

12 (3) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

13 (A) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to
14 be appropriated to the Department of State and
15 the United States Agency for International De-
16 velopment \$40,000,000 for each of the fiscal
17 years 2011 through 2015 for programs de-
18 scribed in paragraph (2)(C) that prevent and
19 respond to violence against women and girls in
20 humanitarian relief, conflict, and post-conflict
21 operations, in addition to amounts otherwise
22 available for such purposes.

23 (B) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense
24 of Congress that amounts appropriated pursu-
25 ant to paragraph (1) should not affect the

1 amount appropriated for other humanitarian
2 programs.

3 (c) ACTIVITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.—

4 Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment
5 of this Act, the Secretary of State, acting through the Am-
6 bassador, shall brief Congress on activities and efforts
7 to—

8 (1) create a mechanism to ensure that contrac-
9 tors and grantees deployed in humanitarian relief,
10 conflict, and post-conflict settings—

11 (A) comply with the Inter-Agency Standing
12 Committee’s Six Core Principles Relating to
13 Sexual Exploitation and Abuse;

14 (B) train their humanitarian workers in
15 prevention and response, including proper
16 mechanisms to report gender-based violence;
17 and

18 (C) promptly and appropriately respond to
19 reports of violence against women and girls and
20 treat survivors in accordance with best practices
21 regarding confidentiality; and

22 (2) carry out the activities described in sub-
23 section (b)(2).

24 (d) COORDINATION OF UNITED STATES GOVERN-
25 MENT EFFORTS.—Under the direction of the President,

1 the Secretary of State is authorized to provide guidance
2 on preventing and responding to violence against women
3 and girls to the Secretary of Defense when United States
4 military personnel, military contractors, and military ob-
5 servers are to be deployed in humanitarian relief, conflict,
6 and post-conflict settings. The Ambassador shall regularly
7 consult with counterparts at the Department of Defense
8 and the Department of Justice to coordinate design and
9 implementation of programs relevant to the purposes of
10 this section.

11 (e) ENHANCING UNITED STATES LEADERSHIP AND
12 ADVOCACY IN THE UNITED NATIONS.—

13 (1) RESOURCE SHARING.—The Secretary of
14 State, in consultation with the USAID Adminis-
15 trator, the Ambassador, the United States Rep-
16 resentative to the United Nations, the Assistant Sec-
17 retary for International Organization Affairs, and
18 the Assistant Secretary for Population, Refugees,
19 and Migration shall make available United States fi-
20 nancial, material, human, and other resources to as-
21 sist United Nations efforts to—

22 (A) develop and implement appropriate
23 training programs in prevention and response
24 to violence against women and girls internation-

1 ally for peacekeeping and humanitarian per-
2 sonnel;

3 (B) meet staffing goals for women military
4 and police peacekeepers, including all-women
5 teams and units;

6 (C) enhance the deployment of civilian
7 women at all levels to serve in peacekeeping
8 missions, including through innovative staffing
9 formulas;

10 (D) improve protection mechanisms in and
11 around United Nations managed refugee and
12 internally displaced persons camps;

13 (E) implement a zero tolerance policy for
14 sexual exploitation and abuse in United Nations
15 peacekeeping and humanitarian operations;

16 (F) support troop and police contributing
17 countries in—

18 (i) taking appropriate actions to pre-
19 vent violence and abuse;

20 (ii) providing materials for pre-deploy-
21 ment and in-theater awareness training;
22 and

23 (iii) taking other actions to promote
24 full accountability in cases of abusive con-

1 duct involving the personnel of such coun-
2 tries;

3 (G) continue to expand appropriate mecha-
4 nisms to permit individuals to safely bring alle-
5 gations of violence against women and girls
6 internationally to the attention of United Na-
7 tions peacekeeping commanders and heads of
8 humanitarian missions; and

9 (H) ensure the capacity of the United Na-
10 tions Office of Internal Oversight to investigate
11 all credible allegations in a timely and efficient
12 manner, while protecting the whistleblower.

13 (2) REPORT.—Not later than 18 months after
14 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Assistant
15 Secretary of State for International Organization
16 Affairs and the United States Representative to the
17 United Nations, in consultation with the Amba-
18 sador-at-Large of the Office for Global Women’s
19 Issues, shall submit a report to Congress that de-
20 scribes United States efforts to support the imple-
21 mentation of United Nations Security Council Reso-
22 lutions 1325, 1820, and 1888.

23 (f) EMERGENCY RESPONSE TO WIDESPREAD RE-
24 PORTS OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN.—

1 (1) EMERGENCY RESPONSE TO CREDIBLE RE-
2 PORTS OF CRITICAL OR WIDESPREAD VIOLENCE
3 AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS.—The Secretary of
4 State, in consultation with the Ambassador and in
5 coordination with relevant bureaus of the Depart-
6 ment of State, shall—

7 (A) identify critical or widespread incidents
8 of violence against women and girls in situa-
9 tions of armed conflict when they occur,
10 through consultation with other Federal agen-
11 cies, the United Nations, international organi-
12 zations, and nongovernmental organizations;

13 (B) determine emergency response meas-
14 ures not later than 45 days after such identi-
15 fication; and

16 (C) brief Congress on the implementation
17 of such emergency response measures and out-
18 comes not later than 30 days after such deter-
19 mination.

20 (2) CONTENT.—The emergency measures devel-
21 oped under paragraph (1) shall include a description
22 of—

23 (A) bilateral diplomatic efforts with—

24 (i) the government of the country in
25 which the violence is occurring;

1 (ii) governments in the region in
2 which the violence is occurring; and

3 (iii) other donor governments.

4 (g) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—In addi-
5 tion to amounts authorized to be appropriated under sub-
6 section (c), there is authorized to be appropriated such
7 sums as may be necessary for emergency measures, in-
8 cluding the expansion of reporting mechanisms and pro-
9 grams, for each situation identified under this section.

10 **TITLE II—OTHER PROVISIONS**

11 **SEC. 201. SUPPORT FOR MULTILATERAL EFFORTS TO END**

12 **VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS.**

13 There is authorized to be appropriated to the Inter-
14 national Organizations and Programs Account
15 \$10,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 2011 through
16 2015 to support the United Nations Development Fund
17 for Women Trust Fund in Support of Actions to Eliminate
18 Violence Against Women.

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