

Calendar No. 58

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION**S. 838**

To provide for the appointment of United States Science Envoys.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 21, 2009

Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, and Mr. KERRY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

MAY 7, 2009

Reported by Mr. KERRY, without amendment

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

3 **SECTION 1. FINDINGS.**

4 Congress finds the following:

5 (1) The United States is the world's leader in
6 scientific research and discovery.

1 (2) The United States has produced more
2 Nobel Laureates than any other nation, including—

3 (A) 90 of the 192 Nobel Laureates in
4 Medicine;

5 (B) 81 of the 183 Nobel Laureates in
6 Physics;

7 (C) 43 of the 62 Nobel Laureates in Eco-
8 nomics; and

9 (D) 59 of the 153 Nobel Laureates in
10 Chemistry.

11 (3) Consistent polling and scholarly research
12 has shown that—

13 (A) the nations of the world seek a rela-
14 tionship with the United States that is based on
15 mutual respect; and

16 (B) many of these nations, even nations
17 that disagree with some aspects of United
18 States foreign policy, admire the United States
19 for its leadership in science and technology.

20 (4) Science and technology provide an external
21 reference around which nations can converge to fos-
22 ter an atmosphere of cooperation and mutual respect
23 based upon the recognition that advances in science
24 and technology are universally beneficial.

1 (5) International scientific cooperation enhances
2 relationships among participating countries by build-
3 ing trust and increasing understanding between
4 countries and cultures through the collaborative na-
5 ture of scientific dialogues.

6 (6) The United States' commitment to techno-
7 logical advances—

8 (A) displays our Nation's commitment to
9 improving lives throughout the world;

10 (B) mitigates some political controversy;
11 and

12 (C) offers other countries a tangible incen-
13 tive to cooperate with the United States to im-
14 prove the health and well-being of their citizens.

15 (7) Short-term visits from renowned and re-
16 spected American scientists can dramatically affect
17 the standing of the United States among foreign
18 countries.

19 (8) International scientific cooperation—

20 (A) produced successful engagements be-
21 tween United States and Soviet scientists
22 throughout the 1970s and 1980s; and

23 (B) assisted United States outreach efforts
24 with the People's Republic of China before offi-
25 cial diplomatic ties were fully established.

- 1 technology throughout the world based on issues of com-
- 2 mon interest and expertise.

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