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To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to stimulate international tourism to the United States.

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Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. LEE) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to stimulate international tourism to the United States.

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Visa Improvements
5 to Stimulate International Tourism to the United States
6 of America Act” or the “VISIT USA Act”.

7 **SEC. 2. MULTIPLE ENTRY VISAS FOR NATIONALS OF CHINA.**

8 Section 214(a)(2) of the Immigration and Nationality
9 Act (8 U.S.C. 1184(a)(2)) is amended—

1 (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (A) and
2 (B) as subparagraphs (B) and (C), respectively; and

3 (2) by inserting before subparagraph (B), as so
4 redesignated, the following:

5 “(A)(i) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) and except as
6 provided in clause (ii), the Secretary of State shall ensure
7 that a nonimmigrant visa issued pursuant to section
8 101(a)(15)(B) to an alien described in clause (iii)—

9 “(I) is valid for a period of not less than 5
10 years; and

11 “(II) permits unlimited entry into and exit from
12 the United States during such period.

13 “(ii) The Secretary of State may waive clause (i) with
14 respect to an alien described in clause (iii) if the Secretary
15 determines that a compelling national security reason ex-
16 ists for the waiver.

17 “(iii) An alien described in this clause is an alien
18 who—

19 “(I) is a national of China;

20 “(II) meets the requirements for a visa under
21 section 101(a)(15)(B); and

22 “(III) requests a visa pursuant to clause (i).

23 “(iv) An alien issued a visa pursuant to clause (i)
24 shall be screened through the automated electronic travel
25 authorization system implemented pursuant to section

1 217(h)(3) prior to being admitted into the United
2 States.”.

3 **SEC. 3. EXPEDITING PRIORITY VISITORS.**

4 Section 286(u) of the Immigration and Nationality
5 Act (8 U.S.C. 1356(u)) is amended—

6 (1) by amending the subsection heading to read
7 as follows:

8 “(u) PREMIUM PROCESSING FEE.—”;

9 (2) by striking “The Attorney General” and in-
10 sserting the following:

11 “(1) EMPLOYMENT-BASED PETITIONS AND AP-
12 PPLICATIONS.—The Secretary of Homeland Secu-
13 rity”;

14 (3) by striking “This fee” and inserting “The
15 fee authorized under this paragraph”;

16 (4) by striking “The Attorney General may ad-
17 just this fee” and inserting “The Secretary may ad-
18 just the fee authorized under this paragraph”; and

19 (5) by adding at the end the following:

20 “(2) VISITOR VISAS.—The Secretary of State
21 shall offer premium processing for visitor visas
22 issued to nonimmigrants described in section
23 101(a)(15)(B) and shall ensure that applicants re-
24 questing premium processing for such visas are
25 interviewed and the visa application is adjudicated

1 not later than 3 business days after the date of the
2 applicant's request for a visa appointment, absent
3 compelling security concerns. The Secretary shall
4 charge a fee for premium processing services under
5 this paragraph in an amount sufficient to recover
6 the costs incurred—

7 “(A) to more quickly process such visas in
8 India, China, and Brazil;

9 “(B) to procure the technology needed to
10 conduct videoconferencing for visa interviews;
11 and

12 “(C) to create mobile interview units to
13 process visa applications and conduct visa inter-
14 views in cities with more than 1,000,000 people
15 that do not have a United States embassy or
16 consulate.”.

17 **SEC. 4. VIDEO CONFERENCE PILOT PROGRAM.**

18 (a) AUTHORIZATION.—Except as provided in sub-
19 section (c), the Secretary of State—

20 (1) shall develop and conduct a pilot program
21 for processing B–1 and B–2 visas using secure re-
22 mote videoconferencing technology as a method for
23 conducting visa interviews of applicants; and

24 (2) in consultation with other Federal agencies
25 that use such secure communications, shall help en-

1 sure the security of the videoconferencing trans-
2 mission and encryption conducted under paragraph
3 (1).

4 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the termi-
5 nation of the pilot program authorized under subsection
6 (a), the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the
7 Committee on Appropriations of the Senate and the Com-
8 mittee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives
9 that contains—

10 (1) a detailed description of the results of such
11 program, including an assessment of the efficacy, ef-
12 ficiency, and security of the remote videoconferenc-
13 ing technology as a method for conducting visa
14 interviews of applicants; and

15 (2) recommendations for whether such program
16 should be continued, broadened, or modified.

17 (c) LIMITATION.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—The pilot program author-
19 ized under subsection (a) may not be conducted if
20 the Secretary of State determines that such pro-
21 gram—

22 (A) poses an undue security risk; and

23 (B) cannot be conducted in a manner con-
24 sistent with maintaining security controls.

1 (2) REPORT.—If the Secretary of State makes
 2 a determination under paragraph (1), the Secretary
 3 shall submit a report to the Committee on Appro-
 4 priations of the Senate and the Committee on Ap-
 5 propriations of the House of Representatives that
 6 describes the reasons for such determination.

7 **SEC. 5. ENCOURAGING CANADIAN TOURISM TO THE**
 8 **UNITED STATES.**

9 (a) CANADIAN RETIREE VISAS.—Section 101(a)(15)
 10 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
 11 1101(a)(15)) is amended—

12 (1) in subparagraph (T)(iii), by striking the pe-
 13 riod at the end and inserting a semicolon;

14 (2) in subparagraph (U)(iii), by striking “or”
 15 and the end;

16 (3) in subparagraph (V), by striking the period
 17 at the end and inserting a semicolon; and

18 (4) by adding at the end the following:

19 “(W) subject to section 214(s), an alien
 20 who the Secretary of Homeland Security deter-
 21 mines—

22 “(i) is a citizen of Canada, is older
 23 than 50 years of age, owns a residence in
 24 the United States or has signed a rental
 25 agreement for accommodations in the

1 United States for the duration of the
2 alien's stay in the United States; and

3 “(ii) the alien spouse and children of
4 the alien described in clause (i) if accom-
5 panying or following to join the alien; or”.

6 (b) VISA APPLICATION PROCEDURES.—Section 214
7 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1184)
8 is amended by adding at the end the following:

9 “(s) VISAS OF NONIMMIGRANTS DESCRIBED IN SEC-
10 TION 101(a)(15)(W).—

11 “(1) The Secretary of Homeland Security shall
12 authorize the issuance of a nonimmigrant visa to
13 any alien described in section 101(a)(15)(W) who
14 submits a petition to the Secretary that dem-
15 onstrates, to the satisfaction of the Secretary, that
16 the alien—

17 “(A) meets the eligibility requirements set
18 forth in section 101(a)(15)(W);

19 “(B) is not inadmissible under section 212;
20 and

21 “(C) will comply with the terms set forth
22 in paragraph (2).

23 “(2) An alien who is issued a visa under this
24 subsection—

1 “(A) is authorized to visit the United
2 States during the 3-year period beginning on
3 the date on which the visa is issued;

4 “(B) may remain in the United States dur-
5 ing such authorized period for not more than
6 240 consecutive days;

7 “(C) may renew such visa every 3 years
8 under the same terms and conditions;

9 “(D) is not authorized to engage in em-
10 ployment in the United States; and

11 “(E) is not eligible for any form of assist-
12 ance or benefit described in section 403(a) of
13 the Personal Responsibility and Work Oppor-
14 tunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (8 U.S.C.
15 1613(a)).”.

16 **SEC. 6. INCENTIVES FOR FOREIGN VISITORS VISITING THE**
17 **UNITED STATES DURING LOW PEAK SEA-**
18 **SONS.**

19 (a) **APPLICATION FEES.**—The Secretary of State
20 shall give foreign visitors an incentive to apply for a visa
21 when the demand is lower by decreasing the visa applica-
22 tion and issuance fees charged to nonimmigrants de-
23 scribed in section 101(a)(15)(B) of the Immigration and
24 Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(B)) in selected

1 countries during periods when there is low demand for vis-
 2 itor visas in such countries.

3 (b) LIMITATION.—In decreasing visa application and
 4 issuance fees under subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

5 (1) subject to paragraph (2), maximize the de-
 6 mand for such visa applications; and

7 (2) maintain the total amount collected from
 8 such fees.

9 **SEC. 7. SECURE TRAVEL AND COUNTERTERRORISM PART-**
 10 **NERSHIP PROGRAM.**

11 (a) DEFINITIONS.—Section 217(c)(1) of the Immi-
 12 gration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1187(c)(1)) is
 13 amended to read as follows:

14 “(1) AUTHORITY TO DESIGNATE.—

15 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of
 16 Homeland Security, in consultation with the
 17 Secretary of State, may designate any country
 18 as a program country if that country meets the
 19 requirements under paragraph (2).

20 “(B) DEFINITIONS.—

21 “(i) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL
 22 COMMITTEES.—The term ‘appropriate con-
 23 gressional committees’ means—

24 “(I) the Committee on Foreign
 25 Relations of the Senate;

1 “(II) the Committee on Home-
2 land Security and Governmental Af-
3 fairs of the Senate;

4 “(III) the Committee on the Ju-
5 diciary of the Senate;

6 “(IV) the Committee on Foreign
7 Affairs of the House of Representa-
8 tives;

9 “(V) the Committee on Home-
10 land Security of the House of Rep-
11 resentatives; and

12 “(VI) the Committee on the Ju-
13 diciary of the House of Representa-
14 tives.

15 “(ii) PROGRAM COUNTRY.—The term
16 ‘program country’ means a country des-
17 ignated as a program country under sub-
18 paragraph (A).”

19 (b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—
20 Section 217 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8
21 U.S.C. 1187) is amended—

22 (1) by striking “Attorney General” each place
23 the term appears (except for subsection (c)(11)(B))
24 and inserting “Secretary of Homeland Security”;
25 and

1 (2) in subsection (c)—

2 (A) in paragraph (2)(C)(iii), by striking
3 “Committee on the Judiciary and the Com-
4 mittee on International Relations of the House
5 of Representatives and the Committee on the
6 Judiciary and the Committee on Foreign Rela-
7 tions of the Senate” and inserting “appropriate
8 congressional committees”;

9 (B) in paragraph (5)(A)(i)(III), by striking
10 “Committee on the Judiciary, the Committee on
11 Foreign Affairs, and the Committee on Home-
12 land Security, of the House of Representatives
13 and the Committee on the Judiciary, the Com-
14 mittee on Foreign Relations, and the Com-
15 mittee on Homeland Security and Govern-
16 mental Affairs of the Senate” and inserting
17 “appropriate congressional committees”; and

18 (C) in paragraph (7), by striking subpara-
19 graph (E).

20 (c) DESIGNATION OF PROGRAM COUNTRIES.—Sec-
21 tion 217(c) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8
22 U.S.C. 1187(c)) is amended—

23 (1) in paragraph (2), by amending subpara-
24 graph (A) to read as follows:

1 “(A) GENERAL NUMERICAL LIMITA-
2 TIONS.—Either—

3 “(i) the number of refusals of non-
4 immigrant visas under section
5 101(a)(15)(B) for nationals of that coun-
6 try during the previous fiscal year was not
7 more than 3 percent; or

8 “(ii) the overstay rate for that coun-
9 try during the previous fiscal year was not
10 more than 3 percent.”;

11 (2) by amending paragraph (3) to read as fol-
12 lows:

13 “(3) QUALIFICATION CRITERIA.—After the ini-
14 tial period, a country may not be designated as a
15 program country unless the Secretary of Homeland
16 Security, in consultation with the Secretary of State,
17 determines, pursuant to paragraph (5), that the des-
18 ignation will be continued.”;

19 (3) in paragraph (5)(A)(i)(II), by striking
20 “ought to be continued or terminated under sub-
21 section (d)” and inserting “under subsection (d) or
22 (f), or probation under subsection (f), ought to be
23 continued or terminated”;

24 (4) by amending paragraph (6) to read as fol-
25 lows:

1 “(6) COMPUTATION OF VISA REFUSAL RATES;
2 JUDICIAL REVIEW.—

3 “(A) COMPUTATION OF VISA REFUSAL
4 RATES.—For purposes of determining the eligi-
5 bility of a country to be designated as a pro-
6 gram country, the calculation of visa refusal
7 rates shall not include any visa refusals which
8 incorporate any procedures based on, or are
9 otherwise based on, race, sex, or disability, un-
10 less otherwise specifically authorized by law.

11 “(B) JUDICIAL REVIEW.—No court has ju-
12 risdiction under this section to review any visa
13 refusal, the Secretary of State’s computation of
14 a visa refusal rate, the Secretary of Homeland
15 Security’s computation of an overstay rate, or
16 the designation or nondesignation of a country
17 as a program country.”;

18 (5) in paragraph (7), as amended by subsection
19 (b)(2)(C)—

20 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “(3)
21 IN GENERAL.—”; and

22 (B) by striking subparagraphs (B), (C),
23 and (D);

24 (6) by amending paragraph (8) to read as fol-
25 lows:

1 “(8) WAIVER AUTHORITY.—The Secretary of
2 Homeland Security, in consultation with the Sec-
3 retary of State, may waive the application of para-
4 graph (2)(A)(i) for a country if—

5 “(A) the country meets all of the other re-
6 quirements under paragraph (2);

7 “(B) the Secretary of Homeland Security
8 determines that the totality of the country’s se-
9 curity risk mitigation measures provide assur-
10 ance that the country’s participation in the pro-
11 gram would not compromise the law enforce-
12 ment, security interests, or enforcement of the
13 immigration laws of the United States;

14 “(C) there has been a general downward
15 trend in the rate of refusals for nonimmigrant
16 visas under section 101(a)(15)(B) for nationals
17 of the country;

18 “(D) the country has consistently cooper-
19 ated with the Government of the United States
20 on counterterrorism initiatives, information
21 sharing, preventing terrorist travel, and extra-
22 dition of the country’s nationals to the United
23 States before the date of its designation as a
24 program country, and the Secretary of Home-

1 land Security and the Secretary of State assess
2 that such cooperation is likely to continue; and

3 “(E) the rate of refusals for nonimmigrant
4 visas under section 101(a)(15)(B) for nationals
5 of the country during the previous fiscal year
6 was not more than 10 percent.”; and

7 (7) by adding at the end the following:

8 “(12) OVERSTAY RATE.—

9 “(A) INITIAL DESIGNATION.—With respect
10 to a country being considered for designation as
11 a program country under paragraph (1)(A), the
12 overstay rate for a fiscal year is the ratio be-
13 tween—

14 “(i) the number of nationals of such
15 country who were admitted to the United
16 States as nonimmigrants described in sec-
17 tion 101(a)(15)(B), whose periods of au-
18 thorized stay under such section expired
19 during such fiscal year, and who remained
20 in the United States unlawfully after such
21 expiration date; and

22 “(ii) the number of nationals of such
23 country who were admitted to the United
24 States as nonimmigrants described in sec-
25 tion 101(a)(15)(B), whose periods of au-

1 thorized stay under such section expired
2 during such fiscal year.

3 “(B) CONTINUING DESIGNATION.—With
4 respect to any program country, the overstay
5 rate for each fiscal year after the initial des-
6 ignation under paragraph (1)(A) is the ratio be-
7 tween—

8 “(i) the number of nationals of such
9 country who were admitted to the United
10 States under this section or as non-
11 immigrants described in section
12 101(a)(15)(B), whose periods of authorized
13 stay expired during such fiscal year, and
14 who remained in the United States unlaw-
15 fully after such expiration date; and

16 “(ii) the number of nationals of such
17 country who were admitted to the United
18 States under this section or as non-
19 immigrants described in section
20 101(a)(15)(B), whose periods of authorized
21 stay expired during such fiscal year.

22 “(C) COMPUTATION OF OVERSTAY RATE.—
23 In determining the overstay rate for a country,
24 the Secretary of Homeland Security may utilize

1 information from any available database to en-
2 sure the accuracy of such rate.”.

3 (d) TERMINATION OF DESIGNATION; PROBATION.—
4 Section 217(f) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8
5 U.S.C. 1187(f)) is amended to read as follows:

6 “(f) TERMINATION OF DESIGNATION; PROBATION.—

7 “(1) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

8 “(A) PROBATIONARY PERIOD.—The term
9 ‘probationary period’ means a fiscal year in
10 which a country is place in probationary status
11 under this subsection.

12 “(B) PROGRAM COUNTRY.—The term ‘pro-
13 gram country’ means a country designated as a
14 program country under subsection (c)(1).

15 “(2) DETERMINATION, NOTICE, AND INITIAL
16 PROBATIONARY PERIOD.—

17 “(A) DETERMINATION OF PROBATIONARY
18 STATUS AND NOTICE OF NONCOMPLIANCE.—As
19 part of each program country’s periodic evalua-
20 tion required under subsection (c)(5)(A), the
21 Secretary of Homeland Security shall determine
22 whether the program country is in compliance
23 with the requirements under subparagraphs
24 (A)(ii), (B), (C), (D), (E), and (F) of sub-
25 section (c)(2).

1 “(B) INITIAL PROBATIONARY PERIOD.—If
2 the Secretary of Homeland Security determines
3 that a program country is not in compliance
4 with the requirements under subparagraphs
5 (A)(ii), (B), (C), (D), (E), and (F) of sub-
6 section (c)(2), the Secretary shall place the pro-
7 gram country in probationary status for the fis-
8 cal year following the fiscal year in which the
9 periodic evaluation is completed.

10 “(3) ACTIONS AT THE END OF THE INITIAL
11 PROBATIONARY PERIOD.—

12 “(A) COMPLIANCE DURING INITIAL PROBA-
13 TIONARY PERIOD.—If the Secretary of Home-
14 land Security determines that all instances of
15 noncompliance with the requirements under
16 subparagraphs (A)(ii), (B), (C), (D), (E), and
17 (F) of subsection (c)(2) that were identified in
18 the latest periodic evaluation have been rem-
19 edied by the end of the country’s initial proba-
20 tionary period under paragraph (2)(B), the Sec-
21 retary shall discontinue the probationary period.

22 “(B) NONCOMPLIANCE DURING INITIAL
23 PROBATIONARY PERIOD.—If the Secretary of
24 Homeland Security determines that any in-
25 stance of noncompliance with the requirements

1 under subparagraphs (A)(ii), (B), (C), (D), (E),
2 and (F) of subsection (c)(2) that were identified
3 in the latest periodic evaluation has not been
4 remedied by the end of the country's initial pro-
5 bationary period under paragraph (2)(B), the
6 Secretary may—

7 “(i) terminate the country's participa-
8 tion in the program; or

9 “(ii) extend the country's proba-
10 tionary status for an additional fiscal year
11 if the Secretary, in consultation with the
12 Secretary of State, determines that the
13 country's continued participation in the
14 program is in the national interest of the
15 United States.

16 “(4) ACTIONS AT THE END OF ADDITIONAL
17 PROBATIONARY PERIODS.—

18 “(A) COMPLIANCE DURING ADDITIONAL
19 PERIODS.—The Secretary of Homeland Security
20 shall discontinue a country's probationary sta-
21 tus if the Secretary determines, during the lat-
22 est periodic evaluation required under sub-
23 section (c)(5)(A), that the country is in compli-
24 ance with the requirements under subpara-

1 graphs (A)(ii), (B), (C), (D), (E), and (F) of
2 subsection (c)(2).

3 “(B) NONCOMPLIANCE DURING ADDI-
4 TIONAL PERIODS.—The Secretary of Homeland
5 Security shall terminate a country’s participa-
6 tion in the program if the Secretary determines,
7 during the latest periodic evaluation required
8 under subsection (c)(5)(A), that the country is
9 not in compliance with any of the requirements
10 under subparagraphs (A)(ii), (B), (C), (D), (E),
11 and (F) of subsection (c)(2).

12 “(5) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The termination of a
13 country’s participation in the program under para-
14 graph (3)(B) or (4)(B) shall take effect on the first
15 day of the first fiscal year following the fiscal year
16 in which the Secretary of Homeland Security deter-
17 mines that such participation shall be terminated.
18 Until such date, nationals of the country shall re-
19 main eligible for a waiver under subsection (a).

20 “(6) TREATMENT OF NATIONALS AFTER TERMI-
21 NATION.—For purposes of this subsection and sub-
22 section (d)—

23 “(A) nationals of a country whose designa-
24 tion is terminated under paragraph (3) or (4)
25 shall remain eligible for a waiver under sub-

1 section (a) until the effective date of such ter-
2 mination; and

3 “(B) a waiver under this section that is
4 provided to such a national for a period de-
5 scribed in subsection (a)(1) shall not, by such
6 termination, be deemed to have been rescinded
7 or otherwise rendered invalid, if the waiver is
8 granted prior to such termination.”.

9 (e) REVIEW OF OVERSTAY TRACKING METHOD-
10 OLOGY.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the
11 enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the
12 United States shall conduct a review of the methods used
13 by the Secretary of Homeland Security—

14 (1) to track aliens entering and exiting the
15 United States; and

16 (2) to detect any such alien who stays longer
17 than such alien’s period of authorized admission.

18 **SEC. 8. INCREASING HOME OWNERSHIP BY PRIORITY VISI-**
19 **TORS.**

20 (a) NONIMMIGRANT STATUS.—Section 101(a)(15) of
21 the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended by sec-
22 tion 5(a), is further amended by adding at the end the
23 following:

1 “(X) subject to section 214(t), an alien
2 who, after the date of the enactment of the
3 VISIT USA Act—

4 “(i)(I) uses at least \$500,000 in cash
5 to purchase 1 or more residences in the
6 United States, which each sold for more
7 than 100 percent of the most recent ap-
8 praised value of such residence, as deter-
9 mined by the property assessor in the city
10 or county in which the residence is located;

11 “(II) maintains ownership of residen-
12 tial property in the United States worth at
13 least \$500,000 during the entire period the
14 alien remains in the United States as a
15 nonimmigrant described in this subpara-
16 graph; and

17 “(III) resides for more than 180 days
18 per year in a residence in the United
19 States that is worth at least \$250,000; and

20 “(ii) the alien spouse and children of
21 the alien described in clause (i) if accom-
22 panying or following to join the alien.”.

23 (b) VISA APPLICATION PROCEDURES.—Section 214
24 of the Immigration and Nationality Act, as amended by

1 section 5(b), is further amended by adding at the end the
2 following:

3 “(t) VISAS OF NONIMMIGRANTS DESCRIBED IN SEC-
4 TION 101(a)(15)(X).—

5 “(1) The Secretary of Homeland Security shall
6 authorize the issuance of a nonimmigrant visa to
7 any alien described in section 101(a)(15)(X) who
8 submits a petition to the Secretary that dem-
9 onstrates, to the satisfaction of the Secretary, that
10 the alien—

11 “(A) has purchased a residence in the
12 United States that meets the criteria set forth
13 in section 101(a)(15)(X)(i);

14 “(B) is not inadmissible under section 212;
15 and

16 “(C) will comply with the terms set forth
17 in paragraph (2).

18 “(2) An alien who is issued a visa under this
19 subsection—

20 “(A) shall reside in the United States at a
21 residence that meets the criteria set forth in
22 section 101(a)(15)(X)(i) for more than 180
23 days per year;

24 “(B) is not authorized to engage in em-
25 ployment in the United States, except for em-

1 ployment that is directly related to the manage-
2 ment of the residential property described in
3 section 101(X)(i)(II);

4 “(C) is not eligible for any form of assist-
5 ance or benefit described in section 403(a) of
6 the Personal Responsibility and Work Oppor-
7 tunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (8 U.S.C.
8 1613(a)); and

9 “(D) may renew such visa every 3 years
10 under the same terms and conditions.”.

11 **SEC. 9. EXPEDITING ENTRY FOR PRIORITY VISITORS.**

12 Section 7208(k) of the Intelligence Reform and Ter-
13 rorism Prevention Act of 2004 (8 U.S.C. 1365b(k)) is
14 amended by adding at the end the following:

15 “(4) EXPEDITING ENTRY FOR PRIORITY VISI-
16 TORS.—

17 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of
18 Homeland Security shall expand the enrollment
19 in the Global Entry Trusted Traveler Network
20 (referred to in this paragraph as ‘Global
21 Entry’) to include individuals employed by
22 international organizations, selected by the Sec-
23 retary, which maintain strong working relation-
24 ships with the United States.

1 “(B) SPONSORS.—An individual may not
2 be enrolled in Global Entry unless the indi-
3 vidual is sponsored by—

4 “(i) an international organization se-
5 lected by the Secretary under subpara-
6 graph (A); and

7 “(ii) the government that issued the
8 passport that the individual is using to
9 participate in Global Entry.

10 “(C) SECURITY REQUIREMENTS.—An indi-
11 vidual may not be enrolled in Global Entry un-
12 less the individual has successfully completed all
13 applicable security requirements established by
14 the Secretary, including cooperation from the
15 applicable foreign government, to ensure that
16 the individual does not pose a risk to the
17 United States.

18 “(D) DISCRETION.—The Secretary shall
19 retain unreviewable discretion to offer or revoke
20 enrollment in Global Entry to any individual.”.

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