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H. R. 2494

To restrict funds related to escalating United States military involvement
in Syria.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GIBSON (for himself, Mr. WELCH, Mrs. BACHMANN, Mr. NOLAN, Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina, Mr. DESJARLAIS, and Mr. JONES) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services and Select Intelligence (Permanent Select), for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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involvement in Syria.

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 “Protecting Americans
5 from the Proliferation of Weapons to Terrorists Act of
6 2013”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON FUNDS TO ESCALATE UNITED**
2 **STATES MILITARY INVOLVEMENT IN SYRIA.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Except as provided under sub-
4 section (b), no funds made available to the Central Intel-
5 ligence Agency, the Department of Defense, or any other
6 agency or entity of the United States involved in intel-
7 ligence activities may be obligated or expended for the pur-
8 pose of, or in a manner which would have the effect of,
9 supporting, directly or indirectly, military or paramilitary
10 operations in Syria by any nation, group, organization,
11 movement, or individual.

12 (b) **EXCEPTION.**—The prohibition under subsection
13 (a) does not apply to funds obligated for non-lethal hu-
14 manitarian assistance for the Syrian people provided di-
15 rectly by the United States Government, through non-
16 governmental organizations and contractors, or through
17 foreign governments.

18 (c) **DURATION OF PROHIBITION.**—The prohibition
19 under subsection (a) shall cease to apply only if a joint
20 resolution approving assistance for military or para-
21 military operations in Syria is enacted.

22 (d) **QUARTERLY REPORTS.**—Not later than 90 days
23 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and every 90
24 days thereafter, the Secretary of State shall submit to
25 Congress a report on assistance provided to groups, orga-
26 nizations, movements, and individuals in Syria.

1 (e) NON-LETHAL HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE DE-
2 FINED.—In this Act, the term “non-lethal humanitarian
3 assistance” means humanitarian assistance that is not
4 weapons, ammunition, or other equipment or material that
5 is designed to inflict serious bodily harm or death.

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