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To impose sanctions on the Polisario Front if it cooperates with an Iranian-affiliated terrorist organization.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GOTTHEIMER (for himself, Mr. JACKSON of Texas, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. LANDSMAN, Mr. BACON, and Mr. MOSKOWITZ) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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

To impose sanctions on the Polisario Front if it cooperates with an Iranian-affiliated terrorist organization.

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 “Polisario Front Ter-
5 rorist Designation Act of 2026”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

(1) IRANIAN-AFFILIATED TERRORIST ORGANIZATION.—The term “Iranian-affiliated terrorist organization” means an Iranian entity that has been designated as—

(A) a foreign terrorist organization pursuant to section 219(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1189(a)); or

(B) a Specially Designated Global Terrorist pursuant to Executive Order 13224 (50 U.S.C. 1701 note; relating to blocking property and prohibiting transactions with persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism).

(2) IRANIAN ENTITY.—The term “Iranian entity” means any entity that is—

(A) an Iranian person (as defined in section 6(f) of the Fight CRIME Act (division K of Public Law 118–50)); or

(B) Hezbollah.

(3) POLISARIO FRONT.—The term “Polisario Front” means the Popular Front for the Liberation of Saguia el-Hamra and Río de Oro, which was founded on May 10, 1973, or any successor organization.

1 (4) RELEVANT CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
2 TEES.—The term “relevant congressional commit-
3 tees” means—

4 (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations of
5 the Senate; and

6 (B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of
7 the House of Representatives.

8 **SEC. 3. ANNUAL REPORT.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
10 date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter,
11 the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the relevant
12 congressional committees on cooperation between the
13 Polisario Front and Iranian-affiliated terrorist organiza-
14 tions during the period specified in subsection (c).

15 (b) REQUIRED ELEMENTS.—Each report required
16 under subsection (a) shall include a determination of
17 whether, during the period specified in subsection (c), the
18 Polisario Front provided or received from an Iranian-af-
19 filiated terrorist organization, including through inter-
20 mediary parties—

21 (1) armed support in military operations;

22 (2) weapons systems, including man-portable,
23 individual use firearms;

24 (3) unmanned aerial vehicles, including com-
25 mercially available component parts to such vehicles;

1 (4) systems, platforms, or components designed
2 to detect, track engage, or destroy airborne targets;
3 or

4 (5) military intelligence, including surveillance
5 data, targeting information, signal or human intel-
6 ligence, and any analysis derived from such sources,
7 whether provided in raw or processed form.

8 (c) PERIOD.—The period specified in this subsection
9 is—

10 (1) with respect to the first report submitted
11 pursuant to subsection (a), the period beginning 10
12 years before the date of the enactment of this Act
13 and ending on the date on which such report is sub-
14 mitted; and

15 (2) with respect to each subsequent report, the
16 period beginning on the date on which the previous
17 report was submitted and the date on which the new
18 report is submitted.

19 (d) FORM.—The determination required under sub-
20 section (b) in the report required under subsection (a)
21 shall be submitted in unclassified form.

22 **SEC. 4. SANCTIONS.**

23 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the
24 submission of each report required under section 3, in the
25 case of a positive determination made pursuant to the de-

1 termination required under subsection 3(b), the President
2 shall impose the sanctions described in subsection (b).

3 (b) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—The sanctions de-
4 scribed in this subsection are—

5 (1) designation as a foreign terrorist organiza-
6 tion pursuant to section 219(a) of the Immigration
7 and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1189(a)); and

8 (2) imposition of the sanctions applicable with
9 respect to a foreign person pursuant to Executive
10 Order 13224 (50 U.S.C. 1701 note; relating to
11 blocking property and prohibiting transactions with
12 persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support
13 terrorism).

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