

Public Law 102-45
102d Congress

An Act

To authorize emergency humanitarian assistance for fiscal year 1991 for Iraqi refugees and other persons in and around Iraq who are displaced as a result of the Persian Gulf conflict.

May 17, 1991
[H.R. 2122]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Emergency Supplemental Persian Gulf Refugee Assistance Act of 1991".

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SEC. 2. EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR REFUGEES.

(a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated as supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1991 for emergency humanitarian assistance for Iraqi refugees and other persons in and around Iraq who are displaced as a result of the Persian Gulf conflict, and to reimburse appropriations accounts from which such assistance was provided before the date of the enactment of this Act—

(1) up to \$150,000,000 for "International Disaster Assistance" under chapter 9 of part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961; and

(2) up to \$200,000,000 for "Migration and Refugee Assistance" for the Department of State.

(b) EMERGENCY MIGRATION AND REFUGEE ASSISTANCE.—For purposes of section 2(c)(2) of the Migration and Refugee Assistance Act of 1962, the limitation on appropriations for the "United States Emergency Refugee and Migration Assistance Fund" for fiscal year 1991 shall be deemed to be \$75,000,000.

(c) CONTRIBUTIONS TO INTERNATIONAL PEACEKEEPING ACTIVITIES.—There are authorized to be appropriated as supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 1991 for peacekeeping activities in the Persian Gulf region and to reimburse accounts for which such activities have been funded before the date of enactment of this Act up to \$50,000,000 for "Contributions to International Peacekeeping Activities" for the Department of State.

(d) OTHER AUTHORITIES.—

(1) INTERNATIONAL DISASTER ASSISTANCE.—Amounts obligated for fiscal year 1991 under the authority of section 492(b) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to provide international disaster assistance in connection with the Persian Gulf crisis shall not be counted against the ceiling limitation of such section.

(2) SPECIAL AUTHORITY.—The value of any defense articles, defense services, and military education and training authorized to be drawdown by the President on April 19, 1991, under the authority of section 506(a)(2)(B) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 shall not be counted against the ceiling limitation of such section.

(3) AGRICULTURAL TRADE DEVELOPMENT AND ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1954 (PUBLIC LAW 480).—Notwithstanding subsections (b) and (c) of section 412 of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 or any other provision of law, funds made available for any title of such Act by the Rural Development, Agriculture, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1991, may be used for purposes of title II of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954.

(d) WAIVER OF COUNTRY SPECIFIC RESTRICTIONS.—Assistance may be provided under this section notwithstanding any provision of law which restricts assistance to particular countries.

(e) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—Amounts authorized to be appropriated under this section are authorized to remain available until expended.

(f) SOURCES OF FUNDS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, amounts authorized to be appropriated under this section are authorized to be appropriated from the Defense Cooperation Account of the United States Treasury, the Persian Gulf Regional Defense Fund of the United States Treasury, or the General Fund of the Treasury.

(g) DESIGNATION AS EMERGENCY FOR BUDGETARY PURPOSES.—Funds authorized to be appropriated under this section may be designated emergency requirements pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(D)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

Approved May 17, 1991.

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