Public Law 98-43
98th Congress

An Act

June 27, 1983
[S. 639]

To authorize supplemental assistance to aid Lebanon in rebuilding its economy and armed forces, and for other purposes.

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

Lebanon Emergency Assistance Act of 1983.

SHORT TITLE

SECTION 1. This Act may be cited as the "Lebanon Emergency Assistance Act of 1983".

ECONOMIC SUPPORT FUND

SEC. 2. (a) It is hereby determined that the national interests of the United States would be served by the authorization and appropriation of additional funds for economic assistance for Lebanon in order to promote the economic and political stability of that country and to support the international effort to strengthen a sovereign and independent Lebanon.

Appropriation authorization.
22 USC 2346.

(b) Accordingly, in addition to amounts otherwise authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year 1983 to carry out the provisions of chapter 4 of part II of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, there are authorized to be appropriated $150,000,000 to carry out such provisions with respect to Lebanon.

(c) Amounts authorized by this section may be appropriated in an appropriation Act for any fiscal year (including a continuing resolution) and shall continue to be available beyond that fiscal year notwithstanding any provision of that appropriation Act to the contrary.

MILITARY SALES AND RELATED PROGRAMS

SEC. 3. (a) In order to support the rebuilding of the armed forces of Lebanon, the Congress finds that the national security interests of the United States would be served by the authorization and appropriation of additional funds to provide training for the Lebanese armed forces and by the authorization of additional foreign military sales guaranties to finance procurements by Lebanon of defense articles and defense services for its security requirements.

Appropriation authorization.
22 USC 2347.

(b) In addition to amounts otherwise made available for the fiscal year 1983 to carry out the provisions of chapter 5 of part II of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, there are authorized to be appropriated for the fiscal year 1983 $1,000,000 to carry out such provisions with respect to Lebanon.

22 USC 2764.

(c) In addition to amounts otherwise made available for the fiscal year 1983 for loan guaranties under section 24(a) of the Arms Export Control Act, $100,000,000 of loan principal are authorized to be so guaranteed during such fiscal year for Lebanon.

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UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES IN LEBANON

SEC. 4. (a) The President shall obtain statutory authorization from the Congress with respect to any substantial expansion in the number or role in Lebanon of United States Armed Forces, including any introduction of United States Armed Forces into Lebanon in conjunction with agreements providing for the withdrawal of all foreign troops from Lebanon and for the creation of a new multinational peace-keeping force in Lebanon.

(b) Nothing in this section is intended to modify, limit, or suspend any of the standards and procedures prescribed by the War Powers Resolution of 1973.

50 USC 1541 note.

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