

105TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1034

To approve the determination of the President that Colombia is a major illicit drug producing country and/or a major drug-transit country and has failed to fully cooperate with the United States in its anti-narcotic efforts, and to provide for a waiver of the requirement to withhold United States assistance for Colombia for fiscal year 1997 pursuant to that determination.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 12, 1997

Mr. BARR of Georgia (for himself, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. HASTERT, and Mr. MICA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

A BILL

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

1 **SECTION 1. APPROVAL OF DETERMINATION OF PRESIDENT**
2 **REGARDING COLOMBIA.**

3 The Congress hereby approves the determination of
4 the President with respect to Colombia for fiscal year
5 1997 under section 490(h) of the Foreign Assistance Act
6 of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2291j(h)) that Colombia is a major
7 illicit drug producing country and/or a major drug-transit
8 country and has failed to fully cooperate with the United
9 States in its anti-narcotic efforts.

10 **SEC. 2. WAIVER OF REQUIREMENT TO WITHHOLD ASSIST-**
11 **ANCE FOR COLOMBIA.**

12 (a) WAIVER.—Notwithstanding subsections (e) and
13 (f) of section 490 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961,
14 the requirement to withhold United States assistance and
15 to vote against multilateral development bank assistance
16 contained in such subsection (e) shall not apply with re-
17 spect to Colombia until March 1, 1998, if at any time after
18 the date of the enactment of this Act, the President sub-
19 mits to Congress a determination and certification de-
20 scribed in subsection (b) of this section.

21 (b) DETERMINATION AND CERTIFICATION.—A deter-
22 mination and certification described in this subsection is
23 a determination and certification consistent with section
24 490(b)(1)(B) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 that
25 the vital national interests of the United States require
26 that the assistance withheld pursuant to section 490(e)(1)

1 of such Act be provided for Colombia and that the United
2 States not vote against multilateral development bank as-
3 sistance for Colombia pursuant to section 490(e)(2) of
4 such Act.

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