106TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 1425

To authorize security assistance for the Kosova Liberation Army to be used for training and support for their established self-defense forces in order to defend and protect the civilian population of Kosova against armed aggression.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

April 14, 1999

Mr. Traficant 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,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Kosovar Independence
- 5 and Justice Act of 1999".
- 6 SEC. 2. POLICY.
- 7 It shall be the policy of the United States—

- 1 (1) to provide the Kosova Liberation Army with 2 the capability to defend and protect the civilian pop-3 ulation of Kosova against armed aggression;
 - (2) to publicly declare that the Albanians of Kosova have a legal right to self-determination and that independence is the only political solution acceptable to Kosovars;
 - (3) to work in conjunction with United Nations, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), and other multilateral organizations to facilitate an orderly transition to independence for the Albanians of Kosova; and
- 13 (4) to work in conjunction with the United Na-14 tions and other appropriate multilateral organiza-15 tions to have Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic 16 indicted and tried by the international war crimes 17 tribunal for crimes against humanity.

18 SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF SECURITY ASSISTANCE FOR 19 THE KOSOVA LIBERATION ARMY.

20 (a) AUTHORIZATION OF ASSISTANCE.—In addition to 21 funds otherwise available to carry out section 23 of the 22 Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2763), there are authorized to be appropriated to the President for fiscal year 24 2000 to carry out the provisions of such section,

\$25,000,000, which amount shall be made available only

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- 1 for grants to the Kosova Liberation Army to be used for
- 2 training and support for their established self-defense
- 3 forces to carry out the policy of section 2(1).
- 4 (b) Relation to Existing Authorities.—Assist-
- 5 ance provided under subsection (a) may be made available
- 6 notwithstanding any other provision of law.
- 7 (c) AVAILABILITY.—Amounts appropriated pursuant
- 8 to the authorization of appropriations under subsection (a)
- 9 are authorized to remain available until expended.

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