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To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to simplify certain rules relating to the taxation of United States business operating abroad, and for other purposes.

### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

June 7, 1999

Mr. Houghton (for himself, Mr. Levin, Mr. Sam Johnson of Texas, Mr. Herger, Mr. Matsui, Mr. Crane, and Mr. English) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

# A BILL

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to simplify certain rules relating to the taxation of United States business operating abroad, and for other purposes.

- 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; AMENDMENT OF 1986 CODE;
- 4 TABLE OF CONTENTS.
- 5 (a) Short Title.—This Act may be cited as the
- 6 "International Tax Simplification for American Competi-
- 7 tiveness Act of 1999".
- 8 (b) Amendment of 1986 Code.—Except as other-
- 9 wise expressly provided, whenever in this Act an amend-

- 1 ment or repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment
- 2 to, or repeal of, a section or other provision, the reference
- 3 shall be considered to be made to a section or other provi-
- 4 sion of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
- 5 (c) Table of Contents for
- 6 this Act is as follows:
  - Sec. 1. Short title; amendment of 1986 Code; table of contents.

#### TITLE I—TREATMENT OF CONTROLLED FOREIGN CORPORATIONS

- Sec. 101. Permanent subpart F exemption for active financing income.
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- Sec. 303. Treatment of military property of foreign sales corporations.
- Sec. 304. United States property not to include certain assets acquired by dealers in ordinary course of trade or business.
- Sec. 305. Treatment of certain dividends of regulated investment companies.
- Sec. 306. Regulatory authority to exclude certain preliminary agreements from definition of intangible property.
- Sec. 307. Airline mileage awards to certain foreign persons.
- Sec. 308. Repeal of reduction of subpart F income of export trade corporations.
- Sec. 309. Study of interest allocation.

- Sec. 310. Interest payments deductible where disqualified guarantee has economic effect.
- Sec. 311. Modifications of reporting requirements for certain foreign owned corporations.

# 1 TITLE I—TREATMENT OF CON-

# 2 TROLLED FOREIGN COR-

## **PORATIONS**

- 4 SEC. 101. PERMANENT SUBPART F EXEMPTION FOR ACTIVE
- 5 FINANCING INCOME.
- 6 (a) Banking, Financing, or Similar Busi-
- 7 NESSES.—Section 954(h) (relating to special rule for in-
- 8 come derived in the active conduct of banking, financing,
- 9 or similar businesses) is amended by striking paragraph
- 10 (9).
- 11 (b) Insurance Businesses.—Section 953(e) (defin-
- 12 ing exempt insurance income) is amended by striking
- 13 paragraph (10) and by redesignating paragraph (11) as
- 14 paragraph (10).
- (c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 16 this section shall apply to taxable years of a foreign cor-
- 17 poration beginning after December 31, 1999, and to tax-
- 18 able years of United States shareholders with or within
- 19 which such taxable years of such foreign corporation end.
- 20 SEC. 102. STUDY OF PROPER TREATMENT OF EUROPEAN
- 21 UNION UNDER SAME COUNTRY EXCEPTIONS.
- 22 (a) STUDY.—The Secretary of the Treasury or the
- 23 Secretary's delegate shall conduct a study on the feasi-

- 1 bility of treating all countries included in the European
- 2 Union as 1 country for purposes of applying the same
- 3 country exceptions under subpart F of part III of sub-
- 4 chapter N of chapter 1 of the Internal Revenue Code of
- 5 1986. Such study shall include consideration of methods
- 6 of ensuring that taxpayers are subject to a substantial ef-
- 7 fective rate of foreign tax in such countries if such treat-
- 8 ment is adopted.
- 9 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 6 months after the date
- 10 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury
- 11 shall report to the Committee on Ways and Means of the
- 12 House of Representatives and the Committee on Finance
- 13 of the Senate the results of the study conducted under
- 14 subsection (a), including recommendations (if any) for leg-
- 15 islation.
- 16 SEC. 103. EXPANSION OF DE MINIMIS RULE UNDER SUB-
- 17 PART F.
- 18 (a) In General.—Subparagraph (A) of section
- 19 954(b)(3) (relating to de minimis, etc., rules) is
- 20 amended—
- 21 (1) by striking "5 percent" in clause (i) and in-
- serting "10 percent", and
- 23 (2) by striking "\$1,000,000" in clause (ii) and
- 24 inserting "\$2,000,000".
- 25 (b) Technical Amendments.—

1	(1) Clause (ii) of section $864(d)(5)(A)$ is
2	amended by striking "5 percent or \$1,000,000" and
3	inserting "10 percent or \$2,000,000".
4	(2) Clause (i) of section 881(c)(5)(A) is amend-
5	ed by striking "5 percent or \$1,000,000" and insert-
6	ing "10 percent or \$2,000,000".
7	SEC. 104. SUBPART F EARNINGS AND PROFITS DETER
8	MINED UNDER GENERALLY ACCEPTED AC
9	COUNTING PRINCIPLES.
10	(a) In General.—Section 964(a) (relating to earn-
11	ings and profits) is amended by striking "rules substan-
12	tially similar to those applicable to domestic corporations
13	under regulations prescribed by the Secretary' and insert-
14	ing "generally accepted accounting principles in the
15	United States".
16	(b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
17	subsection (a) shall apply to distributions during, and the
18	determination of the inclusion under section 951 of the
19	Internal Revenue Code of 1986 with respect to, taxable
20	years of foreign corporations beginning after December
21	31, 1999.
22	SEC. 105. CLARIFICATION OF TREATMENT OF PIPELINE
23	TRANSPORTATION INCOME.
24	Section 954(g)(1) (defining foreign base company oil
25	related income) is amended by striking "or" at the end

- 1 of subparagraph (A), by striking the period at the end
- 2 of subparagraph (B) and inserting ", or", and by inserting
- 3 after subparagraph (B) the following new subparagraph:
- 4 "(C) the pipeline transportation of oil or
- 5 gas within such foreign country."
- 6 SEC. 106. SUBPART F TREATMENT OF INCOME FROM
- 7 TRANSMISSION OF HIGH VOLTAGE ELEC-
- 8 TRICITY.
- 9 Section 954(e) (relating to foreign base company
- 10 services income) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
- 11 lowing new paragraph:
- 12 "(3) Exception for income from trans-
- 13 MISSION OF HIGH VOLTAGE ELECTRICITY.—The
- term 'foreign base company services income' does
- not include income derived in connection with the
- 16 performance of services which are related to the
- transmission of high voltage electricity."
- 18 SEC. 107. LOOK-THROUGH TREATMENT FOR SALES OF
- 19 **PARTNERSHIP INTERESTS.**
- 20 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 954(c) (defining foreign
- 21 personal holding company income) is amended by adding
- 22 at the end the following new paragraph:
- 23 "(4) Look-through rule for certain
- 24 PARTNERSHIP SALES.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—In the case of any 1 2 sale by a controlled foreign corporation of an 3 interest in a partnership with respect to which 4 such corporation is a 10-percent owner, such 5 corporation shall be treated for purposes of this 6 subsection as selling the proportionate share of 7 the assets of the partnership attributable to 8 such interest.

- "(B) 10-PERCENT OWNER.—For purposes of this paragraph, the term '10-percent owner' means a controlled foreign corporation which owns 10 percent or more of the capital or profits interest in the partnership. The constructive ownership rules of section 958(b) shall apply for purposes of the preceding sentence."
- 16 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 17 954(c)(1)(B)(ii) is amended by inserting "except as pro-18 vided in paragraph (4)," before "which".

### 19 SEC. 108. EFFECTIVE DATE.

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Except as otherwise provided in this title, the amendments made by this title shall apply to taxable years of
controlled foreign corporations beginning after December
31, 1999, and taxable years of United States shareholders
with or within which such taxable years of controlled foreign corporations end.

# 1 TITLE II—PROVISIONS RELAT-2 ING TO FOREIGN TAX CREDIT

3	SEC. 201. EXTENSION OF PERIOD TO WHICH EXCESS FOR-
4	EIGN TAXES MAY BE CARRIED.
5	(a) General Rule.—Section 904(c) (relating to

- 6 carryback and carryover of excess tax paid) is amended
- 7 by striking "in the first, second, third, fourth, or fifth"
- 8 and inserting "in any of the first 10".
- 9 (b) Excess Extraction Taxes.—Paragraph (1) of
- 10 section 907(f) is amended by striking "in the first, second,
- 11 third, fourth, or fifth" and inserting "in any of the first
- 12 10".
- (c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 14 this section shall apply to excess foreign taxes arising in
- 15 taxable years beginning after December 31, 1999.
- 16 SEC. 202. RECHARACTERIZATION OF OVERALL DOMESTIC
- 17 Loss.
- 18 (a) General Rule.—Section 904 is amended by re-
- 19 designating subsections (g), (h), (i), (j), and (k) as sub-
- 20 sections (h), (i), (j), (k), and (l) respectively, and by in-
- 21 serting after subsection (f) the following new subsection:
- 22 "(g) Recharacterization of Overall Domestic
- 23 Loss.—
- 24 "(1) General rule.—For purposes of this
- subpart, in the case of any taxpayer who sustains an

1	overall domestic loss for any taxable year beginning
2	after December 31, 1999, that portion of the tax-
3	payer's taxable income from sources within the
4	United States for each succeeding taxable year
5	which is equal to the lesser of—
6	"(A) the amount of such loss (to the extent
7	not used under this paragraph in prior taxable
8	years), or
9	"(B) 50 percent of the taxpayer's taxable
10	income from sources within the United States
11	for such succeeding taxable year,
12	shall be treated as income from sources without the
13	United States (and not as income from sources with-
14	in the United States).
15	"(2) Overall domestic loss defined.—For
16	purposes of this subsection and section 936—
17	"(A) IN GENERAL.—The term 'overall do-
18	mestic loss' means any domestic loss to the ex-
19	tent such loss offsets taxable income from
20	sources without the United States for the tax-
21	able year or for any preceding taxable year by
22	reason of a carryback. For purposes of the pre-
23	ceding sentence, the term 'domestic loss' means
24	the amount by which the gross income for the
25	taxable year from sources within the United

1	States is exceeded by the sum of the deductions
2	properly apportioned or allocated thereto (deter-
3	mined without regard to any carryback from a
4	subsequent taxable year).
5	"(B) TAXPAYER MUST HAVE ELECTED
6	FOREIGN TAX CREDIT FOR YEAR OF LOSS.—
7	The term 'overall domestic loss' shall not in-
8	clude any loss for any taxable year unless the
9	taxpayer chose the benefits of this subpart for
10	such taxable year.
11	"(3) Characterization of subsequent in-
12	COME.—
13	"(A) In General.—Any income from
14	sources within the United States that is treated
15	as income from sources without the United
16	States under paragraph (1) shall be allocated
17	among and increase the income categories in
18	proportion to the loss from sources within the
19	United States previously allocated to those in-
20	come categories.
21	"(B) Income category.—For purposes of
22	this paragraph, the term 'income category' has

the meaning given such term by subsection

(f)(5)(E)(i).

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1	"(4) Coordination with subsection (f).—
2	The Secretary shall prescribe such regulations as
3	may be necessary to coordinate the provisions of this
4	subsection with the provisions of subsection (f)."
5	(b) Conforming Amendments.—
6	(1) Section 535(d)(2) is amended by striking
7	"section 904(g)(6)" and inserting "section
8	904(h)(6)".
9	(2) Subparagraph (A) of section 936(a)(2) is
10	amended by striking "section 904(f)" and inserting
11	"subsections (f) and (g) of section 904".
12	(c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
13	this section shall apply to losses for taxable years begin-
14	ning after December 31, 1999.
15	SEC. 203. SPECIAL RULES RELATING TO FINANCIAL SERV-
16	ICES INCOME.
17	(a) Exception for Interest on Certain Securi-
18	TIES.—Section 904(d)(2)(B) (relating to high withholding
19	tax interest) is amended by redesignating clause (iii) as
20	clause (iv) and by inserting after clause (ii) the following
21	new clause:
22	"(iii) Exception for interest on
23	DEALER PROPERTY.—The term 'high with-
24	holding tax interest' shall not include any
25	interest on a security (within the meaning

of section 475(c)(2)) which is received or 1 2 accrued by a person that holds the security in connection with the holder's activities as 3 a dealer in securities (within the meaning of section 475(c)(1)." 5 6 (b) Financial Services Income in Excess of 80 7 Percent of Gross Income.—Section 904(d)(2)(C) (re-8 lating to financial services income) is amended by adding 9 at the end the following new clause: "(iv) Income exceeding 80 percent 10 11 OF GROSS INCOME.—If the financial serv-12 ices income (as defined in clause (i)) of 13 any person exceeds 80 percent of gross in-14 come, the entire gross income for the tax-15 able year shall be treated as financial services income." 16 17 (c) Exception for Income on Dealer Prop-ERTY.—Subsection 904(g) (relating to source rules in case 18 19 of United States-owned foreign corporations) is amended by redesignating paragraph (11) as paragraph (12) and 20 21 by adding after paragraph (10) the following new para-22 graph: 23 "(11) Exception for income on dealer 24 PROPERTY.—Paragraph (1) shall not apply to any 25 amount derived from a United States-owned foreign

- 1 corporation that is derived from income on a secu-
- 2 rity (within the meaning of section 475(c)(2)) which
- 3 is received or accrued by a person that holds the se-
- 4 curity in connection with the holder's activities as a
- 5 dealer in securities (within the meaning of section
- 6 475(c)(1)."
- 7 (d) Effective Dates.—
- 8 (1) In general.—The amendments made by
- 9 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning
- 10 after December 31, 1999.
- 11 (2) DEEMED PAID CREDITS.—In the case of
- any credit under section 901 of the Internal Revenue
- 13 Code of 1986 by reason of section 902 or 960 of
- such Code, the amendments made by this section
- shall apply to taxable years of foreign corporations
- beginning after December 31, 1999, and to taxable
- 17 years of United States shareholders in such corpora-
- tions with or within which such taxable years of for-
- eign corporations end.
- 20 SEC. 204. LOOK-THRU RULES TO APPLY TO DIVIDENDS
- FROM NONCONTROLLED SECTION 902 COR-
- PORATIONS.
- 23 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 904(d)(4) (relating to
- 24 look-thru rules apply to dividends from noncontrolled sec-
- 25 tion 902 corporations) is amended to read as follows:

1	"(4) Look-thru applies to dividends from
2	NONCONTROLLED SECTION 902 CORPORATIONS.—
3	"(A) In general.—For purposes of this
4	subsection, any dividend from a noncontrolled
5	section 902 corporation with respect to the tax-
6	payer shall be treated as income in a separate
7	category in proportion to the ratio of—
8	"(i) the portion of earnings and prof-
9	its attributable to income in such category,
10	to
11	"(ii) the total amount of earnings and
12	profits.
13	"(B) Special rules.—For purposes of
14	this paragraph—
15	"(i) In general.—Rules similar to
16	the rules of paragraph (3)(F) shall apply.
17	"(ii) Earnings and profits.—
18	"(I) In general.—The rules of
19	section 316 shall apply.
20	"(II) REGULATIONS.—The Sec-
21	retary may prescribe regulations re-
22	garding the treatment of distributions
23	out of earnings and profits for periods
24	before the taxpayer's acquisition of

1	the stock to which the distributions
2	relate."
3	(b) Conforming Amendments.—
4	(1) Subparagraph (E) of section 904(d)(1), as
5	in effect both before and after the amendments
6	made by section 1105 of the Taxpayer Relief Act of
7	1997, is hereby repealed.
8	(2) Section 904(d)(2)(C)(iii), as so in effect, is
9	amended by striking subclause (II) and by redesig-
10	nating subclause (III) as subclause (II).
11	(3) The last sentence of section 904(d)(2)(D),
12	as so in effect, is amended to read as follows: "Such
13	term does not include any financial services income."
14	(4) Section 904(d)(2)(E) is amended by strik-
15	ing clauses (ii) and (iv) and by redesignating clause
16	(iii) as clause (ii).
17	(5) Section 904(d)(3)(F) is amended by strik-
18	ing "(D), or (E)" and inserting "or (D)".
19	(6) Section 864(d)(5)(A)(i) is amended by
20	striking "(C)(iii)(III)" and inserting "(C)(iii)(II)".
21	(c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
22	this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
23	December 31, 1999.

1	SEC. 205. APPLICATION OF LOOK-THRU RULES TO FOREIGN
2	TAX CREDIT.
3	(a) Interest, Rents, and Royalties.—
4	(1) Noncontrolled Section 902 Corpora-
5	TION.—Section 904(d)(4)(A), as amended by section
6	204, is amended to read as follows:
7	"(A) In general.—For purposes of this
8	subsection—
9	"(i) any applicable dividend shall be
10	treated as income in a separate category in
11	proportion to the ratio of—
12	"(I) the portion of the earnings
13	and profits attributable to income in
14	such category, to
15	"(II) the total amount of earn-
16	ings and profits, and
17	"(ii) any interest, rent, or royalty
18	which is received or accrued from a non-
19	controlled section 902 corporation with re-
20	spect to the taxpayer shall be treated as
21	income in a separate category to the extent
22	it is properly allocable (under regulations
23	prescribed by the Secretary) to income of
24	such corporation in such category."
25	(2) Partnerships.—Section $904(d)(6)(C)$ (re-
26	lating to regulations) is amended—

1	(A) by inserting "or $(4)(A)(ii)$ " after
2	"paragraph (3)(C)", and
3	(B) by inserting "or noncontrolled section
4	902 corporations, whichever is applicable" after
5	"controlled foreign corporations".
6	(3) Conforming amendment.—The heading
7	for section 904(d)(4), as amended by section 204, is
8	amended by inserting ", INTEREST, RENTS, OR ROY-
9	ALTIES" after "DIVIDENDS".
10	(b) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
11	this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
12	December 31, 1999.
13	SEC. 206. ORDERING RULES FOR FOREIGN TAX CREDIT
13 14	SEC. 206. ORDERING RULES FOR FOREIGN TAX CREDIT CARRYOVERS.
14	CARRYOVERS.
14 15	CARRYOVERS.  (a) In General.—Section 904(c) (relating to carryback and carryover of excess tax paid), as amended
14 15 16 17	CARRYOVERS.  (a) In General.—Section 904(c) (relating to carryback and carryover of excess tax paid), as amended
14 15 16 17	CARRYOVERS.  (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 904(c) (relating to carryback and carryover of excess tax paid), as amended by section 201, is amended to read as follows:
14 15 16 17	CARRYOVERS.  (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 904(c) (relating to carryback and carryover of excess tax paid), as amended by section 201, is amended to read as follows:  "(c) CARRYBACK AND CARRYOVER OF EXCESS TAX
114 115 116 117 118	CARRYOVERS.  (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 904(c) (relating to carryback and carryover of excess tax paid), as amended by section 201, is amended to read as follows:  "(c) CARRYBACK AND CARRYOVER OF EXCESS TAX PAID.—
114 115 116 117 118 119 220	(a) In General.—Section 904(c) (relating to carryback and carryover of excess tax paid), as amended by section 201, is amended to read as follows:  "(c) Carryback and Carryover of Excess Tax  Paid.—  "(1) In General.—If the sum of—
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	(a) In General.—Section 904(c) (relating to carryback and carryover of excess tax paid), as amended by section 201, is amended to read as follows:  "(c) Carryback and Carryover of Excess Tax  Paid.—  "(1) In General.—If the sum of—  "(A) the foreign tax credit carryovers
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	carryback and carryover of excess tax paid), as amended by section 201, is amended to read as follows:  "(e) Carryback and Carryover of Excess Tax  Paid.—  "(1) In general.—If the sum of—  "(A) the foreign tax credit carryovers under this subsection to a taxable year, plus

1	taxpayer elects to have the benefits of this sub-
2	part apply,
3	exceeds the limitation under subsection (a), such ex-
4	cess (to the extent attributable to the taxes de-
5	scribed in subparagraph (B)) shall be a foreign tax
6	credit carryback to each of the 2 preceding taxable
7	years and a foreign tax credit carryforward to each
8	of the 10 following taxable years.
9	"(2) Ordering rules.—For purposes of any
10	provision of the title where it is necessary to ascer-
11	tain the extent to which the credits to which this
12	subpart applies are used in a taxable year or as a
13	carryback or carryforward, such taxes shall be treat-
14	ed as used—
15	"(A) first from carryovers to such taxable
16	year,
17	"(B) then from credits arising in such tax-
18	able year, and
19	"(C) finally from carrybacks to such tax-
20	able year.
21	"(3) Limitations on Carryovers.—
22	"(A) CREDIT ONLY.—A credit may be car-
23	ried to a taxable year under this subsection only
24	if the taxpayer chooses for such taxable year to
25	have the benefits of this subpart apply to taxes

1	paid or accrued to foreign countries or any pos-
2	sessions of the United States. Any amount so
3	carried may be availed of only as a credit and
4	not a deduction.
5	"(B) Limitation to apply.—The amount
6	of the credit carryforward or carryback to a
7	taxable year (the 'carryover year') from a tax-
8	able year under this subsection shall not exceed
9	the excess (if any) of—
10	"(i) the limitation under subsection
11	(a) for the carryover year, over
12	"(ii) the sum of—
13	"(I) the credits arising in the
14	carryover year, plus
15	``(II) carryforwards and
16	carrybacks to the carryover year from
17	taxable years earlier than the taxable
18	year from which the credit is being
19	carried (whether or not the taxpayer
20	chooses to have the benefits of this
21	subpart apply with respect to such
22	earlier taxable year)."
23	(b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
24	this section applies to taxable years beginning after De-
25	cember 31, 1999.

1	SEC. 207. REPEAL OF LIMITATION OF FOREIGN TAX CREDIT
2	UNDER ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX.
3	(a) In General.—Section 59(a) (relating to alter-
4	native minimum tax foreign tax credit) is amended by
5	striking paragraph (2) and by redesignating paragraphs
6	(3) and (4) as paragraphs (2) and (3), respectively.
7	(b) Conforming Amendment.—Section
8	53(d)(1)(B)(i)(II) is amended by striking "and if section
9	59(a)(2) did not apply".
10	(c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
11	this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
12	December 31, 1999.
13	SEC. 208. REPEAL OF SPECIAL RULES FOR APPLYING FOR-
14	EIGN TAX CREDIT IN CASE OF FOREIGN OIL
14 15	EIGN TAX CREDIT IN CASE OF FOREIGN OIL AND GAS INCOME.
15	AND GAS INCOME.
15 16	AND GAS INCOME.  (a) In General.—Section 907 (relating to special
15 16 17	AND GAS INCOME.  (a) In General.—Section 907 (relating to special rules in case of foreign oil and gas income) is repealed.
15 16 17 18	AND GAS INCOME.  (a) In General.—Section 907 (relating to special rules in case of foreign oil and gas income) is repealed.  (b) Conforming Amendments.—
15 16 17 18	AND GAS INCOME.  (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 907 (relating to special rules in case of foreign oil and gas income) is repealed.  (b) Conforming Amendments.—  (1) Each of the following provisions are amend-
115 116 117 118 119 220	AND GAS INCOME.  (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 907 (relating to special rules in case of foreign oil and gas income) is repealed.  (b) Conforming Amendments.—  (1) Each of the following provisions are amended by striking "907,":
115 116 117 118 119 220 221	AND GAS INCOME.  (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 907 (relating to special rules in case of foreign oil and gas income) is repealed.  (b) Conforming Amendments.—  (1) Each of the following provisions are amended by striking "907,":  (A) Section 245(a)(10).
115 116 117 118 119 220 221 222	AND GAS INCOME.  (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 907 (relating to special rules in case of foreign oil and gas income) is repealed.  (b) Conforming Amendments.—  (1) Each of the following provisions are amended by striking "907,":  (A) Section 245(a)(10).  (B) Section 865(h)(1)(B).
15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23	AND GAS INCOME.  (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 907 (relating to special rules in case of foreign oil and gas income) is repealed.  (b) Conforming Amendments.—  (1) Each of the following provisions are amended by striking "907,":  (A) Section 245(a)(10).  (B) Section 865(h)(1)(B).  (C) Section 904(d)(1).

1	national Tax Simplification for American Competi-
2	tiveness Act of 1999" after "section $907(c)(4)(B)$ ".
3	(3) Section 954(g)(1) is amended by inserting
4	", as in effect before its repeal by the International
5	Tax Simplification for American Competitiveness
6	Act of 1999" after "907(c)".
7	(4) Section 6501(i) is amended—
8	(A) by striking ", or under section 907(f)
9	(relating to carryback and carryover of dis-
10	allowed oil and gas extraction taxes)", and
11	(B) by striking "or 907(f)".
12	(5) The table of sections for subpart A of part
13	III of subchapter N of chapter 1 is amended by
14	striking the item relating to section 907.
15	(c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
16	this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
17	December 31, 1999.
18	TITLE III—OTHER PROVISIONS
19	SEC. 301. DEDUCTION FOR DIVIDENDS RECEIVED FROM
20	CERTAIN FOREIGN CORPORATIONS.
21	(a) Constructive Ownership Rules To Apply in
22	DETERMINING 80-PERCENT OWNERSHIP.—Section 245
23	(a)(5) (relating to post-1986 undistributed U.S. earnings)
24	is amended by adding at the end the following flush sen-
25	tence:

- 1 "Section 318(a) shall apply for purposes of subpara-
- 2 graph (B)."
- 3 (b) Dividends To Include Subpart F Distribu-
- 4 Tions.—Section 245(a) (relating to dividends from 10-
- 5 percent owned foreign corporations) is amended by adding
- 6 at the end the following new paragraph:
- 7 "(12) Subpart f inclusions treated as
- 8 DIVIDENDS.—For purposes of this subsection, the
- 9 term 'dividend' shall include any amount the tax-
- payer is required to include in gross income for the
- 11 taxable year under section 951(a)."
- 12 (c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
- 13 this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
- 14 December 31, 1999.
- 15 SEC. 302. APPLICATION OF UNIFORM CAPITALIZATION
- 16 RULES TO FOREIGN PERSONS.
- 17 (a) In General.—Section 263A(c) (relating to ex-
- 18 ceptions) is amended by adding at the end the following
- 19 new paragraph:
- 20 "(7) Foreign persons.—This section shall
- 21 apply to any taxpayer who is not a United States
- 22 person only for purposes of applying sections
- 23 871(b)(1) and 882(a)(1)."
- (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 25 subsection (a) shall apply to taxable years beginning after

1	December 31, 1999. Section 481 of the Internal Revenue
2	Code of 1986 shall not apply to any change in a method
3	of accounting by reason of such amendment.
4	SEC. 303. TREATMENT OF MILITARY PROPERTY OF FOR-
5	EIGN SALES CORPORATIONS.
6	(a) In General.—Section 923(a) (defining exempt
7	foreign trade income) is amended by striking paragraph
8	(5) and by redesignating paragraph (6) as paragraph (5).
9	(b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
10	this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
11	December 31, 1999.
12	SEC. 304. UNITED STATES PROPERTY NOT TO INCLUDE
13	CERTAIN ASSETS ACQUIRED BY DEALERS IN
13 14	CERTAIN ASSETS ACQUIRED BY DEALERS IN ORDINARY COURSE OF TRADE OR BUSINESS.
14	ORDINARY COURSE OF TRADE OR BUSINESS.
14 15	ordinary course of trade or business.  (a) In General.—Section 956(c)(2) (relating to ex-
14 15 16 17	ORDINARY COURSE OF TRADE OR BUSINESS. (a) In General.—Section $956(c)(2)$ (relating to exceptions from property treated as United States property)
14 15 16 17	ORDINARY COURSE OF TRADE OR BUSINESS.  (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 956(c)(2) (relating to exceptions from property treated as United States property) is amended by striking "and" at the end of subparagraph
14 15 16 17	ordinary course of trade or business.  (a) In General.—Section 956(c)(2) (relating to exceptions from property treated as United States property) is amended by striking "and" at the end of subparagraph (J), by striking the period at the end of subparagraph (K) and inserting "; and", and by adding at the end the fol-
14 15 16 17 18	ordinary course of trade or business.  (a) In General.—Section 956(c)(2) (relating to exceptions from property treated as United States property) is amended by striking "and" at the end of subparagraph (J), by striking the period at the end of subparagraph (K) and inserting "; and", and by adding at the end the fol-
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	ORDINARY COURSE OF TRADE OR BUSINESS.  (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 956(c)(2) (relating to exceptions from property treated as United States property) is amended by striking "and" at the end of subparagraph (J), by striking the period at the end of subparagraph (K) and inserting "; and", and by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:
14 15 16 17 18 19 20	ORDINARY COURSE OF TRADE OR BUSINESS.  (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 956(c)(2) (relating to exceptions from property treated as United States property) is amended by striking "and" at the end of subparagraph (J), by striking the period at the end of subparagraph (K) and inserting "; and", and by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:  "(L) securities acquired and held by a con-
14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21	ordinary course of trade or business.  (a) In General.—Section 956(c)(2) (relating to exceptions from property treated as United States property) is amended by striking "and" at the end of subparagraph (J), by striking the period at the end of subparagraph (K) and inserting "; and", and by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:  "(L) securities acquired and held by a controlled foreign corporation in the ordinary

1	in the ordinary course of business, and (ii) the
2	dealer disposes of the securities (or such securi-
3	ties mature while held by the dealer) within a
4	period consistent with the holding of securities
5	for sale to customers in the ordinary course of
6	business."
7	(b) Conforming Amendment.—Section 956(c)(2)
8	is amended by striking "and (K)" in the last sentence and
9	inserting ", (K), and (L)".
10	(c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
11	this section shall apply to taxable years of foreign corpora-
12	tions beginning after December 31, 1999, and to taxable
13	years of United States shareholders or with or within
14	which such taxable years of foreign corporations end.
15	SEC. 305. TREATMENT OF CERTAIN DIVIDENDS OF REGU
16	LATED INVESTMENT COMPANIES.
17	(a) Treatment of Certain Dividends.—
18	(1) Nonresident alien individuals.—Sec-
19	tion 871 (relating to tax on nonresident alien indi-
20	viduals) is amended by redesignating subsection (k)
21	as subsection (l) and by inserting after subsection (j)
22	the following new subsection:
23	"(k) Exemption for Certain Dividends of Reg-
24	ULATED INVESTMENT COMPANIES.—
25	"(1) Interest-related dividends.—

1	"(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in
2	subparagraph (B), no tax shall be imposed
3	under paragraph (1)(A) of subsection (a) on
4	any interest-related dividend received from a
5	regulated investment company.
6	"(B) Exceptions.—Subparagraph (A)
7	shall not apply—
8	"(i) to any interest-related dividend
9	received from a regulated investment com-
10	pany by a person to the extent such divi-
11	dend is attributable to interest (other than
12	interest described in subparagraph (E) (i)
13	or (iii)) received by such company on in-
14	debtedness issued by such person or by any
15	corporation or partnership with respect to
16	which such person is a 10-percent share-
17	holder,
18	"(ii) to any interest-related dividend
19	with respect to stock of a regulated invest-
20	ment company unless the person who
21	would otherwise be required to deduct and
22	withhold tax from such dividend under
23	chapter 3 receives a statement (which
24	meets requirements similar to the require-

ments of subsection (h)(5)) that the bene-

1	ficial owner of such stock is not a United
2	States person, and
3	"(iii) to any interest-related dividend
4	paid to any person within a foreign coun-
5	try (or any interest-related dividend pay-
6	ment addressed to, or for the account of,
7	persons within such foreign country) dur-
8	ing any period described in subsection
9	(h)(6) with respect to such country.
10	Clause (iii) shall not apply to any dividend with
11	respect to any stock which was acquired on or
12	before the date of the publication of the Sec-
13	retary's determination under subsection (h)(6).
14	"(C) Interest-related dividend.—For
15	purposes of this paragraph, an interest-related
16	dividend is any dividend (or part thereof) which
17	is designated by the regulated investment com-
18	pany as an interest-related dividend in a writ-
19	ten notice mailed to its shareholders not later

pany as an interest-related dividend in a written notice mailed to its shareholders not later than 60 days after the close of its taxable year. If the aggregate amount so designated with respect to a taxable year of the company (including amounts so designated with respect to dividends paid after the close of the taxable year described in section 855) is greater than the

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qualified net interest income of the company for such taxable year, the portion of each distribution which shall be an interest-related dividend shall be only that portion of the amounts so designated which such qualified net interest income bears to the aggregate amount so designated.

- "(D) QUALIFIED NET INTEREST INCOME.—For purposes of subparagraph (C), the term 'qualified net interest income' means the qualified interest income of the regulated investment company reduced by the deductions properly allocable to such income.
- "(E) QUALIFIED INTEREST INCOME.—For purposes of subparagraph (D), the term 'qualified interest income' means the sum of the following amounts derived by the regulated investment company from sources within the United States:

"(i) Any amount includible in gross income as original issue discount (within the meaning of section 1273) on an obligation payable 183 days or less from the date of original issue (without regard to the period held by the company).

1	"(ii) Any interest includible in gross
2	income (including amounts recognized as
3	ordinary income in respect of original issue
4	discount or market discount or acquisition
5	discount under part V of subchapter P and
6	such other amounts as regulations may
7	provide) on an obligation which is in reg-
8	istered form; except that this clause shall
9	not apply to—
10	"(I) any interest on an obligation
11	issued by a corporation or partnership
12	if the regulated investment company
13	is a 10-percent shareholder in such
14	corporation or partnership, and
15	"(II) any interest which is treat-
16	ed as not being portfolio interest
17	under the rules of subsection (h)(4).
18	"(iii) Any interest referred to in sub-
19	section (i)(2)(A) (without regard to the
20	trade or business of the regulated invest-
21	ment company).
22	"(iv) Any interest-related dividend in-
23	cludable in gross income with respect to
24	stock of another regulated investment com-
25	pany.

"(F) 10-PERCENT SHAREHOLDER.—For purposes of this paragraph, the term '10-percent shareholder' has the meaning given such term by subsection (h)(3)(B).

## "(2) SHORT-TERM CAPITAL GAIN DIVIDENDS.—

- "(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subparagraph (B), no tax shall be imposed under paragraph (1)(A) of subsection (a) on any short-term capital gain dividend received from a regulated investment company.
- "(B) EXCEPTION FOR ALIENS TAXABLE UNDER SUBSECTION (a)(2).—Subparagraph (A) shall not apply in the case of any nonresident alien individual subject to tax under subsection (a)(2).
- "(C) SHORT-TERM CAPITAL GAIN DIVI-DEND.—For purposes of this paragraph, a short-term capital gain dividend is any dividend (or part thereof) which is designated by the regulated investment company as a short-term capital gain dividend in a written notice mailed to its shareholders not later than 60 days after the close of its taxable year. If the aggregate amount so designated with respect to a taxable year of the company (including amounts so des-

ignated with respect to dividends paid after the close of the taxable year described in section 855) is greater than the qualified short-term gain of the company for such taxable year, the portion of each distribution which shall be a short-term capital gain dividend shall be only that portion of the amounts so designated which such qualified short-term gain bears to the aggregate amount so designated.

"(D) QUALIFIED SHORT-TERM GAIN.—For purposes of subparagraph (C), the term 'qualified short-term gain' means the excess of the net short-term capital gain of the regulated investment company for the taxable year over the net long-term capital loss (if any) of such company for such taxable year. For purposes of this subparagraph—

"(i) the net short-term capital gain of the regulated investment company shall be computed by treating any short-term capital gain dividend includible in gross income with respect to stock of another regulated investment company as a short-term capital gain, and

"(ii) the excess of the net short-term 1 2 capital gain for a taxable year over the net 3 long-term capital loss for a taxable year (to which an election under section 4982(e)(4) does not apply) shall be determined with-6 out regard to any net capital loss or net 7 short-term capital loss attributable 8 transactions after October 31 of such year, 9 and any such net capital loss or net short-10 term capital loss shall be treated as arising 11 on the 1st day of the next taxable year. 12 To the extent provided in regulations, clause 13 (ii) shall apply also for purposes of computing 14 the taxable income of the regulated investment 15 company." 16 (2) Foreign corporations.—Section 881 (re-17 lating to tax on income of foreign corporations not 18 connected with United States business) is amended 19 by redesignating subsection (e) as subsection (f) and 20 by inserting after subsection (d) the following new 21 subsection: 22 "(e) Tax Not To Apply to Certain Dividends 23 OF REGULATED INVESTMENT COMPANIES.— 24 "(1) Interest-related dividends.—

1	"(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in
2	subparagraph (B), no tax shall be imposed
3	under paragraph (1) of subsection (a) on any
4	interest-related dividend (as defined in section
5	871(k)(1)) received from a regulated investment
6	company.
7	"(B) Exception.—Subparagraph (A)
8	shall not apply—
9	"(i) to any dividend referred to in sec-
10	tion $871(k)(1)(B)$ , and
11	"(ii) to any interest-related dividend
12	received by a controlled foreign corporation
13	(within the meaning of section 957(a)) to
14	the extent such dividend is attributable to
15	interest received by the regulated invest-
16	ment company from a person who is a re-
17	lated person (within the meaning of section
18	864(d)(4)) with respect to such controlled
19	foreign corporation.
20	"(C) Treatment of dividends re-
21	CEIVED BY CONTROLLED FOREIGN CORPORA-
22	TIONS.—The rules of subsection (c)(5)(A) shall
23	apply to any interest-related dividend received
24	by a controlled foreign corporation (within the
25	meaning of section 957(a)) to the extent such

1	dividend is attributable to interest received by
2	the regulated investment company which is de-
3	scribed in clause (ii) of section $871(k)(1)(E)$
4	(and not described in clause (i) or (iii) of such
5	section).
6	"(2) Short-term capital gain dividends.—
7	No tax shall be imposed under paragraph (1) of sub-
8	section (a) on any short-term capital gain dividend
9	(as defined in section $871(k)(2)$ ) received from a
10	regulated investment company."
11	(3) Withholding Taxes.—
12	(A) Section 1441(c) (relating to excep-
13	tions) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
14	lowing new paragraph:
15	"(12) CERTAIN DIVIDENDS RECEIVED FROM
16	REGULATED INVESTMENT COMPANIES.—
17	"(A) In general.—No tax shall be re-
18	quired to be deducted and withheld under sub-
19	section (a) from any amount exempt from the
20	tax imposed by section 871(a)(1)(A) by reason
21	of section 871(k).
22	"(B) Special rule.—For purposes of
23	subparagraph (A), clause (i) of section
24	871(k)(1)(B) shall not apply to any dividend
25	unless the regulated investment company knows

1 that such dividend is a dividend referred to in 2 such clause. A similar rule shall apply with re-3 spect to the exception contained in section 871(k)(2)(B)." 4 5 (B) Section 1442(a) (relating to with-6 holding of tax on foreign corporations) is 7 amended— 8 (i) by striking "and the reference in section 1441(c)(10)" and inserting "the 9 10 reference in section 1441(c)(10)", and 11 (ii) by inserting before the period at the end the following: ", and the references 12 13 in section 1441(c)(12) to sections 871(a)14 and 871(k) shall be treated as referring to 15 sections 881(a) and 881(e) (except that for 16 purposes of applying subparagraph (A) of 17 section 1441(c)(12), as so modified, clause 18 (ii) of section 881(e)(1)(B) shall not apply 19 to any dividend unless the regulated invest-20 ment company knows that such dividend is 21 a dividend referred to in such clause)". 22 (b) ESTATE TAX TREATMENT OF INTEREST IN CER-23 TAIN REGULATED INVESTMENT COMPANIES.—Section 2105 (relating to property without the United States for

estate tax purposes) is amended by adding at the end the 2 following new subsection: 3 "(d) STOCK IN A RIC.— "(1) In general.—For purposes of this sub-5 chapter, stock in a regulated investment company 6 (as defined in section 851) owned by a nonresident 7 not a citizen of the United States shall not be 8 deemed property within the United States in the 9 proportion that, at the end of the quarter of such in-10 vestment company's taxable year immediately pre-11 ceding a decedent's date of death (or at such other 12 time as the Secretary may designate in regulations), 13 the assets of the investment company that were 14 qualifying assets with respect to the decedent bore 15 to the total assets of the investment company. "(2) QUALIFYING ASSETS.—For purposes of 16 17 this subsection, qualifying assets with respect to a 18 decedent are assets that, if owned directly by the de-19 cedent, would have been— "(A) amounts, deposits, or debt obligations 20 21 described in subsection (b) of this section, 22 "(B) debt obligations described in the last 23 sentence of section 2104(c), or 24 "(C) other property not within the United 25 States."

1	(c) Treatment of Regulated Investment Com-
2	PANIES UNDER SECTION 897.—
3	(1) Paragraph (1) of section 897(h) is amended
4	by striking "REIT" each place it appears and in-
5	serting "qualified investment entity".
6	(2) Paragraphs (2) and (3) of section 897(h)
7	are amended to read as follows:
8	"(2) Sale of Stock in Domestically con-
9	TROLLED ENTITY NOT TAXED.—The term 'United
10	States real property interest' does not include any
11	interest in a domestically controlled qualified invest-
12	ment entity.
13	"(3) Distributions by domestically con-
14	TROLLED QUALIFIED INVESTMENT ENTITIES.—In
15	the case of a domestically controlled qualified invest-
16	ment entity, rules similar to the rules of subsection
17	(d) shall apply to the foreign ownership percentage
18	of any gain."
19	(3) Subparagraphs (A) and (B) of section
20	897(h)(4) are amended to read as follows:
21	"(A) QUALIFIED INVESTMENT ENTITY.—
22	The term 'qualified investment entity' means
23	any real estate investment trust and any regu-
24	lated investment company.

- 1 "(B) Domestically controlled.—The
  2 term 'domestically controlled qualified invest3 ment entity' means any qualified investment en4 tity in which at all times during the testing pe5 riod less than 50 percent in value of the stock
  6 was held directly or indirectly by foreign per7 sons."
  - (4) Subparagraphs (C) and (D) of section 897(h)(4) are each amended by striking "REIT" and inserting "qualified investment entity".
  - (5) The subsection heading for subsection (h) of section 897 is amended by striking "REITS" and inserting "CERTAIN INVESTMENT ENTITIES".

### (d) Effective Date.—

- (1) In General.—Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the amendments made by this section shall apply to dividends with respect to taxable years of regulated investment companies beginning after the date of the enactment of this Act.
- (2) ESTATE TAX TREATMENT.—The amendment made by subsection (b) shall apply to estates of decedents dying after the date of the enactment of this Act.
- 24 (3) CERTAIN OTHER PROVISIONS.—The amend-25 ments made by subsection (c) (other than paragraph

- 1 (1) thereof) shall take effect on the date of the en-
- 2 actment of this Act.
- 3 SEC. 306. REGULATORY AUTHORITY TO EXCLUDE CERTAIN
- 4 PRELIMINARY AGREEMENTS FROM DEFINI-
- 5 TION OF INTANGIBLE PROPERTY.
- 6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 936(h)(3)(B) (defining
- 7 intangible property) is amended by adding at the end the
- 8 following new sentence: "The Secretary shall by regulation
- 9 provide that such term shall not include any preliminary
- 10 agreement which is not legally enforceable."
- 11 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 12 this section shall apply to agreements entered into after
- 13 the date of the enactment of this Act.
- 14 SEC. 307. AIRLINE MILEAGE AWARDS TO CERTAIN FOREIGN
- 15 PERSONS.
- 16 (a) In General.—The last sentence of section
- 17 4261(e)(3)(C) (relating to regulations) is amended by in-
- 18 serting "and mileage awards which are issued to individ-
- 19 uals whose mailing addresses on record with the person
- 20 providing the right to air transportation are outside the
- 21 United States" before the period at the end thereof.
- 22 (b) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 23 this section shall apply to amounts paid, and benefits pro-
- 24 vided, after December 31, 1997.

#### SEC. 308. REPEAL OF REDUCTION OF SUBPART F INCOME

- 2 OF EXPORT TRADE CORPORATIONS.
- 3 (a) In General.—Subpart G of part III of sub-
- 4 chapter N of chapter 1 (relating to export trade corpora-
- 5 tions) is repealed.
- 6 (b) Treatment of Certain Actual Distribu-
- 7 TIONS.—
- 8 (1) In general.—For purposes of applying
- 9 sections 959 and 960(b) of the Internal Revenue
- 10 Code of 1986, in the case of any actual distribution
- of export trade income made after December 31,
- 12 1986, by an export trade corporation (or former ex-
- port trade corporation that was an export trade cor-
- poration on December 31, 1986), notwithstanding
- any other provision of chapter 1 of such Code, the
- earnings and profits attributable to amounts which
- have been included in the gross income of a United
- 18 States shareholder under section 951(a) of such
- 19 Code shall be treated as including an amount equal
- to the amount of export trade income that was in-
- 21 cluded in gross income as a dividend. If a distribu-
- 22 tion is excluded from gross income by application of
- 23 this subsection, the amount of such distribution shall
- be treated as an amount described in section
- 951(a)(2)(B) of such Code that reduces the amount

1	described in section 951(a)(2)(A) of such Code for
2	the taxable year.
3	(2) Definitions.—For purposes of this
4	subsection—
5	(A) EXPORT TRADE CORPORATION.—The
6	term "export trade corporation" has the mean-
7	ing given such term by section 971(a) of the In-
8	ternal Revenue Code of 1986 (as in effect be-
9	fore the amendment made by subsection (a)).
10	(B) EXPORT TRADE INCOME.—The term
11	"export trade income" has the meaning given
12	such term by section 971(b) of the Internal
13	Revenue Code of 1986 (as so in effect).
14	(c) Conforming Amendments.—
15	(1) Section 865(e)(2)(A) is amended by striking
16	the last sentence.
17	(2) Section 1297(b)(2)(D) is amended by strik-
18	ing "or export trade income of an export trade cor-
19	poration (as defined in section 971)".
20	(3) The table of parts for part III of subchapter
21	N of chapter 1 is amended by striking the item re-
22	lating to subpart G.
23	(d) Effective Date.—The amendments made by
24	this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after
25	December 31, 1999.

### SEC. 309. STUDY OF INTEREST ALLOCATION.

2 (	(a)	STUDY.—The	Secretary	of	the	Treasury	or	the

- 3 Secretary's delegate shall conduct a study of the rules
- 4 under section 864(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of
- 5 1986 for allocating interest expense of members of an af-
- 6 filiated group. Such study shall include an analysis of the
- 7 effect of such rules, including the effects such rules have
- 8 on different industries.
- 9 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 6 months after the date
- 10 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury
- 11 shall report to the Committee on Ways and Means of the
- 12 House of Representatives and the Committee on Finance
- 13 of the Senate the results of the study conducted under
- 14 subsection (a), including recommendations (if any) for leg-
- 15 islation.
- 16 SEC. 310. INTEREST PAYMENTS DEDUCTIBLE WHERE DIS-
- 17 QUALIFIED GUARANTEE HAS ECONOMIC EF-
- 18 **FECT.**
- 19 (a) In General.—Section 163(j)(6)(D)(ii) (relating
- 20 to exceptions to disqualified guarantee) is amended by
- 21 striking "or" at the end of subclause (I), by striking the
- 22 period at the end of subclause (II) and inserting ", or",
- 23 and by inserting after subclause (II) the following new
- 24 subclause:
- 25 "(III) if, in the case of a guar-
- antee by a foreign person, the tax-

- 1 payer establishes to the satisfaction of 2 the Secretary that the loan giving rise 3 to the indebtedness would have been made by the unrelated person without regard to the guarantee and that the 6 guarantee resulted in a reduction in 7 the interest payable on the loan." 8 (b) Effective Date.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to guarantees issued on and after 10 the date of the enactment of this Act. SEC. 311. MODIFICATIONS OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS 12 FOR CERTAIN FOREIGN OWNED CORPORA-13 TIONS. 14 (a) DE MINIMIS EXCEPTION.—Section 6038A(b) (re-15 lating to required information) is amended by adding at the end the following new flush sentence: 16 "The Secretary shall not require the reporting corporation 17 to report any information with respect to any foreign per-18 son which is a related person if the aggregate value of 19 20 the transactions between the corporation and the related 21 person (and any person related to such person) during the taxable year does not exceed \$5,000,000." 22
- 24 CIFIC DOCUMENTS.—Notwithstanding Internal Revenue

(b) Time for Providing Translations of Spe-

25 Service Regulation § 1.6038A-3(f)(2), a taxpayer shall

- 1 have at least 60 days to provide translations of specific
- 2 documents it is requested to translate. Nothing in this
- 3 subsection shall limit the right of a taxpayer to file a writ-
- 4 ten request for an extension of time to comply with the
- 5 request.
- 6 (c) Effective Dates.—
- 7 (1) EXCEPTION.—The amendment made by 8 subsection (a) shall apply to taxable years beginning 9 after December 31, 1999.
- 10 (2) Translations.—Subsection (b) shall apply
  11 to requests made by the Internal Revenue Service
  12 after December 31, 1999.

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