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1ST SESSION

H. R. 2642

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 29, 1999

Mr. FRANKS of New Jersey introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Anti-Atrocity Alien De-
3 portation Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. INADMISSIBILITY AND REMOVABILITY OF ALIENS**
5 **WHO HAVE COMMITTED ACTS OF TORTURE**
6 **ABROAD.**

7 (a) INADMISSIBILITY.—Section 212(a)(3)(E) of the
8 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
9 1182(a)(3)(E)) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
10 lowing:

11 “(iii) COMMISSION OF ACTS OF TOR-
12 TURE.—Any alien who, outside the United
13 States, has committed any act of torture,
14 as defined in section 2340 of title 18,
15 United States Code, is inadmissible.”.

16 (b) REMOVABILITY.—Section 237(a)(4)(D) of that
17 Act (8 U.S.C. 1227(a)(4)(D)) is amended by striking
18 “clause (i) or (ii)” and inserting “clause (i), (ii), or (iii)”.

19 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
20 this section shall apply to offenses committed before, on,
21 or after the date of enactment of this Act.

22 **SEC. 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE OFFICE OF SPECIAL IN-**
23 **VESTIGATIONS.**

24 (a) AMENDMENT OF THE IMMIGRATION AND NA-
25 TIONALITY ACT.—Section 103 of the Immigration and

1 Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1103) is amended by adding
2 at the end the following:

3 “(g) The Attorney General shall establish within the
4 Criminal Division of the Department of Justice an Office
5 of Special Investigations with the authority of inves-
6 tigating, and, where appropriate, taking legal action to re-
7 move, denaturalize, or prosecute any alien found to be in
8 violation of clause (i), (ii), or (iii) of section
9 212(a)(3)(E).”.

10 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to be
12 appropriated to the Department of Justice for the
13 fiscal year 2000 such sums as may be necessary to
14 carry out the additional duties established under sec-
15 tion 103(g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act
16 (as added by this Act) in order to ensure that the
17 Office of Special Investigations fulfills its continuing
18 obligations regarding Nazi war criminals.

19 (2) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—Amounts appro-
20 priated pursuant to paragraph (1) are authorized to
21 remain available until expended.

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