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1ST SESSION

S. 1657

To authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the products of Albania.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 29, 1999

Mr. LAUTENBERG introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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. FINDINGS.**

4 Congress makes the following findings:

5 (1) Albania has been found to be in full compli-
6 ance with the freedom of emigration requirements
7 under title IV of the Trade Act of 1974.

8 (2) Since its emergence from communism, Alba-
9 nia has made progress toward democratic rule and
10 the creation of a free-market economy.

1 (3) Albania has concluded a bilateral invest-
2 ment treaty with the United States.

3 (4) Albania has demonstrated a strong desire to
4 build a friendly relationship with the United States
5 and has been very cooperative with NATO and the
6 international community during and after the
7 Kosova crisis.

8 (5) The extension of unconditional normal trade
9 relations treatment to the products of Albania will
10 enable the United States to avail itself of all rights
11 under the World Trade Organization with respect to
12 Albania when that country becomes a member of the
13 World Trade Organization.

14 **SEC. 2. TERMINATION OF APPLICATION OF TITLE IV OF**
15 **THE TRADE ACT OF 1974 TO ALBANIA.**

16 (a) PRESIDENTIAL DETERMINATIONS AND EXTEN-
17 SIONS OF NONDISCRIMINATORY TREATMENT.—Notwith-
18 standing any provision of title IV of the Trade Act of 1974
19 (19 U.S.C. 2431 et seq.), the President may—

20 (1) determine that such title should no longer
21 apply to Albania; and

22 (2) after making a determination under para-
23 graph (1) with respect to Albania, proclaim the ex-
24 tension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal

1 trade relations treatment) to the products of that
2 country.

3 (b) TERMINATION OF APPLICATION OF TITLE IV.—

4 On or after the effective date of the extension under sub-
5 section (a)(2) of nondiscriminatory treatment to the prod-
6 ucts of Albania, title IV of the Trade Act of 1974 shall
7 cease to apply to that country.

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