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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. ASHCROFT (for himself, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. DODD, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. KERREY, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BOND, Mr. BURNS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. FITZGERALD, Mr. GORTON, Mr. GRAMS, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HUTCHINSON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LEAHY, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. THOMAS, and Mr. WARNER) introduced the following bill; which was read the first time

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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 “Food and Medicine
5 for the World Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT OF CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL OF**
7 **ANY UNILATERAL AGRICULTURAL OR MED-**
8 **ICAL SANCTION.**

9 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10 (1) AGRICULTURAL COMMODITY.—The term
11 “agricultural commodity” has the meaning given the
12 term in section 102 of the Agricultural Trade Act of
13 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5602).

14 (2) AGRICULTURAL PROGRAM.—The term “ag-
15 ricultural program” means—

16 (A) any program administered under the
17 Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance
18 Act of 1954 (7 U.S.C. 1691 et seq.);

19 (B) any program administered under sec-
20 tion 416 of the Agricultural Act of 1949 (7
21 U.S.C. 1431);

22 (C) any program administered under the
23 Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5601
24 et seq.);

1 (D) the dairy export incentive program ad-
2 ministered under section 153 of the Food Secu-
3 rity Act of 1985 (15 U.S.C. 713a-14);

4 (E) any commercial export sale of agricul-
5 tural commodities; or

6 (F) any export financing (including credits
7 or credit guarantees) provided by the United
8 States Government for agricultural commod-
9 ities.

10 (3) JOINT RESOLUTION.—The term “joint reso-
11 lution” means—

12 (A) in the case of subsection (b)(1)(B),
13 only a joint resolution introduced within 10 ses-
14 sion days of Congress after the date on which
15 the report of the President under subsection
16 (b)(1)(A) is received by Congress, the matter
17 after the resolving clause of which is as follows:
18 “That Congress approves the report of the
19 President pursuant to section 2(b)(1)(A) of the
20 Food and Medicine for the World Act, trans-
21 mitted on .”, with the blank