

107TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 3049

To contribute to the defense of the United States against future terrorist attack by providing for the removal from power of the Taliban regime in Afghanistan.

---

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 5, 2001

Mr. GILMAN (for himself, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. ROHRABACHER, and Mr. ROYCE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

---

## A BILL

To contribute to the defense of the United States against future terrorist attack by providing for the removal from power of the Taliban regime in Afghanistan.

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 “Afghanistan Freedom  
5       Act of 2001”.

6       **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7       Congress makes the following findings:

8               (1) The rise to power of the Taliban in Afghan-  
9       istan has caused a drastic decline in the human, po-

1        litical, and civil rights of the Afghan people, particu-  
2        larly among women, girls, and ethnic minorities.

3            (2) In the year 2001, millions of Afghans are  
4        on the verge of starvation, the largest such group in  
5        the world.

6            (3) The United States is the single largest  
7        donor of humanitarian assistance to Afghanistan, to-  
8        taling more than \$185,000,000 in fiscal year 2001.

9            (4) There are approximately 2,000,000 Afghan  
10       refugees in Pakistan, 1,500,000 Afghan refugees in  
11       Iran, and 1,000,000 internally displaced persons in  
12       Afghanistan, most fleeing oppression, violence, and  
13       economic hardship.

14           (5) During the period of Taliban rule, Afghani-  
15       stan has become the world's largest source of illegal  
16       opium, and proceeds from the sale of raw opium to  
17       drug traffickers are used by the Taliban to finance  
18       its war on the Afghan people.

19           (6) Under Taliban rule, Afghanistan has be-  
20       come a training ground, operational base, and safe  
21       haven for terrorists and international terrorist orga-  
22       nizations, many of whom gain experience fighting  
23       alongside Taliban forces inside Afghanistan prior to  
24       conducting terrorist operations outside Afghanistan.

1           (7) The Taliban have, since 1996, harbored and  
2           protected terrorist leader Osama bin Laden and  
3           members of his terrorist al Qaeda network.

4           (8) Osama bin Laden and his al Qaeda associ-  
5           ates were indicted for the August 7, 1998, bombings  
6           of the United States embassies in Nairobi, Kenya,  
7           and Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania, as a result of which  
8           the United Nations Security Council adopted Reso-  
9           lution 1267 (1999), demanding that the Taliban  
10          surrender Osama bin Laden for trial and deter-  
11          mining that the Taliban's continued provision of  
12          sanctuary to international terrorist organizations  
13          constitutes a threat to international peace and secu-  
14          rity.

15          (9) In order to compel the Taliban to surrender  
16          Osama bin Laden and terminate support for inter-  
17          national terrorist organizations, the United Nations  
18          Security Council has imposed progressively more  
19          comprehensive sanctions on the Taliban under Reso-  
20          lutions 1267 (1999), 1333 (2000), and 1363 (2001),  
21          which sanctions are binding on all members of the  
22          United Nations under Chapter VII of the Charter of  
23          the United Nations.

24          (10) As a result of the Taliban's failure to com-  
25          ply with the demands of the United States and the

1 United Nations Security Council, Osama bin Laden  
2 and his al Qaeda network were able to orchestrate  
3 from Afghanistan the September 11, 2001, terrorist  
4 attack on the United States in which approximately  
5 6,000 Americans and foreign nationals were mur-  
6 dered.

7 (11) The Taliban have, since the September  
8 11th attack on the United States, rejected all en-  
9 treaties by the United States and other governments  
10 to surrender Osama bin Laden, close down inter-  
11 national terrorist operations in Afghanistan, and  
12 comply with the other demands that have been made  
13 by the United Nations Security Council.

14 (12) Afghanistan is an ethnically diverse nation  
15 that can prosper only under a representative govern-  
16 ment that affords all citizens of that nation their  
17 basic human rights, restores peace and security,  
18 eradicates the drug trade, and brings all terrorists  
19 and terrorist organizations in Afghanistan to justice.

20 **SEC. 3. UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD AFGHANISTAN.**

21 It shall be the policy of the United States to promote  
22 the removal from power of the Taliban regime in Afghani-  
23 stan so as to diminish the risk of future terrorist attack  
24 on the United States and restore basic human freedoms  
25 to the people of Afghanistan.

1 **SEC. 4. MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO AFGHAN RESISTANCE**  
2 **ORGANIZATIONS.**

3 (a) AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE MILITARY ASSIST-  
4 ANCE.—

5 (1) TYPES OF ASSISTANCE.—The President is  
6 authorized to direct the drawdown of defense articles  
7 from the stocks of the Department of Defense, de-  
8 fense services of the Department of Defense, and  
9 military education and training for eligible Afghan  
10 resistance organizations.

11 (2) AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE.—The aggregate  
12 value (as defined in section 644(m) of the Foreign  
13 Assistance Act of 1961) of assistance provided under  
14 paragraph (1) may not exceed \$300,000,000.

15 (b) ELIGIBLE AFGHAN RESISTANCE ORGANIZA-  
16 TIONS.—An Afghan resistance organization shall be eligi-  
17 ble to receive assistance under subsection (a) if the Presi-  
18 dent determines and reports to the appropriate congres-  
19 sional committees that such organization, or coalition of  
20 organizations, is committed to—

21 (1) the removal from power of the Taliban re-  
22 gime in Afghanistan;

23 (2) preservation of the territorial integrity and  
24 political independence of Afghanistan;

25 (3) respect for internationally recognized  
26 human rights; and

(4) the suppression of terrorism in all of its forms and the surrender to justice of all international terrorists in Afghanistan, including perpetrators of the September 11, 2001, attack on the United States.

(c) REIMBURSEMENT FOR ASSISTANCE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Defense articles, defense services, and military education and training provided under subsection (a) shall be made available without reimbursement to the Department of Defense except to the extent that funds are appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations under paragraph (2).

(2) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to be appropriated to the President for fiscal year 2002 such sums as may be necessary to reimburse the applicable appropriation, fund, or account for the value (as defined in section 644(m) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961) of defense articles, defense services, or military education and training provided under subsection (a).

(B) AVAILABILITY.—Amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appro-

1           priations under subparagraph (A) are author-  
 2           ized to remain available until expended, and are  
 3           in addition to amounts otherwise available for  
 4           the purposes described in this section.

5           (e) **AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE.**—Activi-  
 6           ties under this section may be undertaken notwithstanding  
 7           any other provision of law.

8           **SEC. 5. DISASTER AND HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE FOR**  
 9                                   **THE PEOPLE OF AFGHANISTAN.**

10          (a) **DISASTER AND HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE.**—  
 11          Chapter 9 of part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961  
 12          (22 U.S.C. 2292 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end  
 13          the following:

14          **“SEC. 495L. AFGHAN RELIEF, REHABILITATION, AND RE-**  
 15                                   **CONSTRUCTION.**

16          “(a) **DECLARATION OF POLICY.**—Congress recog-  
 17          nizes that prompt United States assistance is necessary  
 18          to alleviate the human suffering of the people of Afghani-  
 19          stan from four years of extreme drought and 20 years of  
 20          civil war and to restore the confidence of the people in  
 21          that country.

22          “(b) **ASSISTANCE.**—The President is authorized to  
 23          furnish assistance on such terms and conditions as the  
 24          President may determine for the relief, rehabilitation and  
 25          reconstruction needs of the people of Afghanistan, includ-

1 ing displaced persons and other needy people. Assistance  
2 provided under this section shall be for humanitarian pur-  
3 poses with emphasis on providing food, medicine and med-  
4 ical care, clothing, temporary shelter, and transportation  
5 for emergency supplies and personnel.

6 “(c) POLICIES AND AUTHORITIES TO BE APPLIED.—

7 (1) Assistance under this section shall be provided in ac-  
8 cordance with the policies and general authorities of sec-  
9 tion 491.

10 “(2) Assistance under this section or any other provi-  
11 sion of law to alleviate the human suffering caused by  
12 famine and disease in Afghanistan shall be provided, to  
13 the maximum extent practicable, through international  
14 agencies, private voluntary organizations, and any eligible  
15 Afghan resistance organization.

16 “(d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
17 are authorized to be appropriated to the President to carry  
18 out this section \$100,000,000 for each of the fiscal years  
19 2002 and 2003. Amounts appropriated pursuant to the  
20 authorization of appropriations under the preceding sen-  
21 tence are in addition to amounts otherwise available for  
22 such purposes and are authorized to remain available until  
23 expended.”.

24 (b) OTHER ASSISTANCE FOR AFGHANISTAN.—



1           (1) ASSISTANCE.—The President is authorized  
2           to provide assistance from funds made available to  
3           carry out chapter 4 of part II of the Foreign Assist-  
4           ance Act of 1961 (relating to the economic support  
5           fund) for the provision of food, medicine, or other  
6           assistance to the Afghan people, notwithstanding  
7           any other provision of law.

8           (2) AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE.—In each of fiscal  
9           years 2002 and 2003, not less than \$50,000,000 of  
10          the aggregate amount of funds made available to  
11          carry out chapter 4 of part II of the Foreign Assist-  
12          ance Act of 1961 is authorized to be made available  
13          for assistance to the Afghan people pursuant to  
14          paragraph (1).

15 **SEC. 6. ESTABLISHMENT OF RADIO FREE AFGHANISTAN.**

16          (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Broadcasting Board of  
17          Governors is authorized to make grants for surrogate  
18          radio broadcasting by RFE/RL, Incorporated (formerly  
19          known as Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty) to the people  
20          of Afghanistan in languages spoken in Afghanistan, such  
21          broadcasts to be designated “Radio Free Afghanistan”.

22          (b) SUBMISSION OF PLAN TO BROADCASTING BOARD  
23          OF GOVERNORS.—Not later than 15 days after the date  
24          of the enactment of this Act, RFE/RL, Incorporated, shall  
25          submit to the Broadcasting Board of Governors a detailed

1 plan for the establishment of the surrogate radio broad-  
2 casting described in subsection (a).

3 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

4 (1) FISCAL YEARS 2002 AND 2003.—In addition  
5 to such sums as are authorized to be appropriated  
6 for each of the fiscal years 2002 and 2003 for  
7 “International Broadcasting Operations”,  
8 \$8,000,000 is authorized to be appropriated for the  
9 fiscal year 2002 and \$6,000,000 is authorized to be  
10 appropriated for the fiscal year 2003 for “Inter-  
11 national Broadcasting Operations” to be available  
12 only for the surrogate radio broadcasting described  
13 in subsection (a).

14 (2) TRANSMITTER.—Of the amounts authorized  
15 to be appropriated by paragraph (1) for the fiscal  
16 year 2002, \$1,500,000 shall be available only for a  
17 new transmitter for the surrogate radio broadcasting  
18 described in subsection (a).

19 **SEC. 7. COMPLIANCE WITH MEASURES DIRECTED AGAINST**  
20 **THE TALIBAN BY THE UNITED NATIONS SE-**  
21 **CURITY COUNCIL.**

22 (a) REPORTS TO CONGRESS.—Not later than one  
23 month after the date of the enactment of this Act, and  
24 every three months thereafter until the President deter-  
25 mines and reports to the appropriate congressional com-

1 mittees that the Taliban no longer exercises power in any  
2 part of Afghanistan, the President shall submit to the ap-  
3 propriate congressional committees a report that identifies  
4 the government of each foreign country with respect to  
5 which there is credible information that the government  
6 has, on or after the date of the enactment of this Act,  
7 violated, or permitted persons subject to its jurisdiction  
8 to violate, measures directed against the Taliban pursuant  
9 to United Nations Security Council Resolutions 1267  
10 (1999), 1333 (2000), or 1363 (2001), or pursuant to any  
11 other United Nations Security Council resolution adopted  
12 under the authority of Chapter VII of the Charter of the  
13 United Nations.

14 (b) CONTENT OF REPORTS.—Each report submitted  
15 under subsection (a) shall detail with respect to each gov-  
16 ernment of a foreign country identified in such report the  
17 nature of the violation (other than violations detailed in  
18 previous reports submitted pursuant to this section), and  
19 shall evaluate—

20 (1) the importance of the violation to the efforts  
21 of the Taliban to remain in power in Afghanistan;

22 (2) the importance of the violation to the efforts  
23 of terrorist groups to continue operating from Af-  
24 ghanistan; and

1           (3) the risk posed by such violation to the safe-  
2       ty of the United States Armed Forces and the  
3       armed forces of other countries acting in coalition  
4       with the United States.

5       (c) **AUTHORITY TO IMPOSE UNITED STATES SANC-**  
6       **TIONS.**—The President is authorized to impose one or  
7       more of the United States sanctions provided in subsection  
8       (d) if the President determines and reports to the appro-  
9       priate congressional committees that—

10           (1) a government of a foreign country identified  
11       in a report submitted under subsection (a) has  
12       knowingly violated, or knowingly permitted persons  
13       subject to its jurisdiction to violate, measures di-  
14       rected against the Taliban pursuant to United Na-  
15       tions Security Council Resolutions 1267 (1999),  
16       1333 (2000), or 1363 (2001), or pursuant to any  
17       other United Nations Security Council resolution  
18       adopted under the authority of Chapter VII of the  
19       Charter of the United Nations; and

20           (2) such violation has put at risk the lives of  
21       members of the United States Armed Forces, or  
22       other United States citizens.

23       (d) **UNITED STATES SANCTIONS AUTHORIZED TO**  
24       **BE IMPOSED.**—The United States sanctions referred to  
25       in subsection (c) are the following:

1           (1) No assistance may be provided to that gov-  
2           ernment or nationals under the Foreign Assistance  
3           Act of 1961 or the Arms Export Control Act.

4           (2) No license may be issued for any transfer  
5           to that government or nationals of any goods, serv-  
6           ices, or technology controlled under the Arms Export  
7           Control Act, the Export Administration Act of 1979,  
8           or the Export Administration Regulations.

9           (3) The restrictions of subsections (a) and (b)  
10          of section 3 of the Trading With the Enemy Act (50  
11          U.S.C. App. 3(a) and (b)) shall apply to relations  
12          between the United States and the government of a  
13          foreign country and all nationals of that country  
14          with respect to which the President makes a deter-  
15          mination described in subsection (c).

16 **SEC. 8. SUBMISSION OF DETERMINATIONS AND REPORTS**  
17 **IN CLASSIFIED FORM.**

18          When the President considers it appropriate, deter-  
19          minations and reports to the appropriate congressional  
20          committees submitted under this Act, or appropriate parts  
21          thereof, may be submitted in classified form.

22 **SEC. 9. DEFINITIONS.**

23          In this Act:

24               (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-  
25          TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-

1        mittees” means the Committee on International Re-  
2        lations of the House of Representatives and the  
3        Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate.

4            (2) NATIONAL.—The term “national” means,  
5        with respect to a foreign country, a national of the  
6        country, including a natural person, corporation,  
7        business association, partnership, or other entity op-  
8        erating as a business enterprise under the laws of  
9        the country.

○