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H. R. 528

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

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 4, 2003

Mr. KNOLLENBERG (for himself and Mr. PALLONE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

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) Armenia has been found to be in full com-
6 pliance with the freedom of emigration requirements
7 under title IV of the Trade Act of 1974.

8 (2) The World Trade Organization's General
9 Council voted on December 10, 2002, to approve Ar-
10 menia's full accession to the Organization.

1 (3) Since declaring its independence from the
 2 Soviet Union in 1991, Armenia has made consider-
 3 able progress in enacting free-market reforms within
 4 a stable democratic framework.

5 (4) Armenia has demonstrated a strong desire
 6 to build a friendly and cooperative relationship with
 7 the United States and has concluded many bilateral
 8 treaties and agreements with the United States.

9 (5) Total United States-Armenia bilateral trade
 10 for 2002 amounted to more than \$134,200,000.

11 **SEC. 2. TERMINATION OF APPLICATION OF TITLE IV OF**
 12 **THE TRADE ACT OF 1974 TO ARMENIA.**

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

17 (1) determine that such title should no longer
 18 apply to Armenia; and

19 (2) after making a determination under para-
 20 graph (1) with respect to Armenia, proclaim the ex-
 21 tension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal
 22 trade relations treatment) to the products of that
 23 country.

24 (b) TERMINATION OF APPLICATION OF TITLE IV.—
 25 On and after the effective date of the extension under sub-

1 section (a)(2) of nondiscriminatory treatment to the prod-
2 ucts of Armenia, title IV of the Trade Act of 1974 shall
3 cease to apply to that country.

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