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To implement the recommendations of the Office of the Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction to ensure that the Department of Defense properly accounts for all small arms weapons procured by the Department of Defense for use by the Iraqi Security Forces.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. LYNCH introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Iraq Weapons Ac-
5 countability Act of 2007”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.**

7 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

1 (1) Based on the October 28, 2006, audit re-
2 port entitled “Iraqi Security Forces: Weapons Pro-
3 vided by the U.S. Department of Defense Using the
4 Iraq Relief and Reconstruction Fund” prepared by
5 the Office of the Special Inspector General for Iraq
6 Reconstruction—

7 (A) the Department of Defense has not
8 properly accounted for all small arms weapons
9 procured by the Department of Defense, using
10 the Iraq Relief and Reconstruction Fund, for
11 use by the Iraqi Security Forces;

12 (B) the Department of Defense used ap-
13 proximately \$133 million from the Iraq Relief
14 and Reconstruction Fund in order to purchase
15 more than 370,000 small arms weapons for the
16 Iraqi Security Forces, including semiautomatic
17 pistols, assault rifles, heavy machine guns, and
18 rocket-propelled grenade launchers; such weap-
19 ons were purchased through 19 Department of
20 Defense procurement contracts with 142 sepa-
21 rate delivery orders;

22 (C) only approximately 10,000 of the more
23 than 370,000 small arms weapons may have
24 been properly registered in the Department of

1 Defense's Registry of the Small Arms Serializa-
2 tion Program; and

3 (D) the lack of small arms weapons ac-
4 countability poses a significant physical security
5 risk to United States and Coalition troops in
6 Iraq.

7 (2) Accordingly, to ensure that all small arms
8 weapons procured by the Department of Defense for
9 the Iraqi Security Forces are properly accounted for,
10 the October 28, 2006, audit report of the Office of
11 the Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruc-
12 tion contains the following recommendations:

13 (A) Determine the requisite spare parts
14 and technical repair manual requirements by
15 weapons type and, if applicable, weapons model
16 and provide this information to the Iraqi Min-
17 istries of Defense and Interior.

18 (B) Review policies and procedures for fill-
19 ing vacant arms maintenance positions and im-
20 plement corrective actions for sustainment.

21 (C) Establish accurate weapon inventories.

22 (D) Initiate action to provide weapons se-
23 rial numbers for compliance with the Depart-
24 ment of Defense's Small Arms Serialization
25 Program.

1 (b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this Act is to imple-
2 ment the recommendations of the Office of the Special In-
3 spector General for Iraq Reconstruction to ensure that the
4 Department of Defense properly accounts for all small
5 arms weapons procured by the Department of Defense,
6 using the Iraq Relief and Reconstruction Fund, for use
7 by the Iraqi Security Forces.

8 **SEC. 3. REQUIREMENT TO IMPLEMENT RECOMMENDA-**
9 **TIONS TO ENSURE THAT THE DEPARTMENT**
10 **OF DEFENSE PROPERLY ACCOUNTS FOR ALL**
11 **SMALL ARMS WEAPONS PROCURED BY THE**
12 **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FOR USE BY THE**
13 **IRAQI SECURITY FORCES.**

14 Not later than 30 days after the date of the enact-
15 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall direct the
16 Commanding General of the Multi-National Security
17 Transition Command-Iraq to take appropriate actions, in
18 consultation with the Special Inspector General for Iraq
19 Reconstruction, to implement the recommendations of the
20 October 28, 2006, audit report entitled “Iraqi Security
21 Forces: Weapons Provided by the U.S. Department of De-
22 fense Using the Iraq Relief and Reconstruction Fund”
23 prepared by the Office of the Special Inspector General
24 for Iraq Reconstruction.

1 **SEC. 4. REPORT.**

2 Not later than 60 days after the date of the enact-
3 ment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit
4 to Congress a report on the implementation of this Act.

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