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

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. THUNE, Mr. KERRY, and Mr. MCCAIN) 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. EXTENSION OF NONDISCRIMINATORY TREAT-**
4 **MENT (NORMAL TRADE RELATIONS TREAT-**
5 **MENT) TO PRODUCTS OF THE RUSSIAN FED-**
6 **ERATION.**

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

8 (1) The Russian Federation allows its citizens
9 the right and opportunity to emigrate, free of any

1 heavy tax on emigration or on the visas or other
 2 documents required for emigration and free of any
 3 tax, levy, fine, fee, or other charge on any citizens
 4 as a consequence of the desire of those citizens to
 5 emigrate to the country of their choice.

6 (2) The Russian Federation has been found to
 7 be in full compliance with the freedom of emigration
 8 requirements under title IV of the Trade Act of
 9 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2431 et seq.) since 1994.

10 (3) The Russian Federation has received nor-
 11 mal trade relations treatment since concluding a bi-
 12 lateral trade agreement with the United States that
 13 entered into force in 1992.

14 (4) On December 16, 2011, the Ministerial
 15 Conference of the World Trade Organization invited
 16 the Russian Federation to accede to the World
 17 Trade Organization.

18 (b) TERMINATION OF APPLICATION OF TITLE IV OF
 19 THE TRADE ACT OF 1974 TO PRODUCTS OF THE RUSSIAN
 20 FEDERATION.—

21 (1) PRESIDENTIAL DETERMINATIONS AND EX-
 22 TENSION OF NONDISCRIMINATORY TREATMENT.—
 23 Notwithstanding any provision of title IV of the
 24 Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2431 et seq.), the
 25 President may—

1 (A) determine that such title should no
2 longer apply to the Russian Federation; and

3 (B) after making a determination under
4 subparagraph (A) with respect to the Russian
5 Federation, proclaim the extension of non-
6 discriminatory treatment (normal trade rela-
7 tions treatment) to the products of the Russian
8 Federation.

9 (2) EFFECTIVE DATE OF NONDISCRIMINATORY
10 TREATMENT.—The extension of nondiscriminatory
11 treatment to the products of the Russian Federation
12 pursuant to paragraph (1) shall be effective not
13 sooner than the effective date of the accession of the
14 Russian Federation to the World Trade Organiza-
15 tion.

16 (3) TERMINATION OF APPLICABILITY OF TITLE
17 IV.—On and after the effective date under para-
18 graph (2) of the extension of nondiscriminatory
19 treatment to the products of the Russian Federa-
20 tion, title IV of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C.
21 2431 et seq.) shall cease to apply to the Russian
22 Federation.

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