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Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

AN ACT

To require a quadrennial diplomacy and development review,
and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Quadrennial Diplo-
3 macy and Development Review Act of 2012”.

4 **SEC. 2. QUADRENNIAL DIPLOMACY AND DEVELOPMENT**
5 **REVIEW.**

6 (a) REQUIREMENT.—

7 (1) QUADRENNIAL REVIEWS REQUIRED.—

8 Under the direction of the President, the Secretary
9 of State shall every four years, during a year fol-
10 lowing a year evenly divisible by four, conduct a re-
11 view of United States diplomacy and development
12 (to be known as a “quadrennial diplomacy and de-
13 velopment review”).

14 (2) SCOPE OF REVIEWS.—Each quadrennial di-
15 plomacy and development review shall be a com-
16 prehensive examination of the national diplomacy
17 and development policy and strategic framework of
18 the United States for the next four year period until
19 a subsequent review is due under paragraph (1).

20 The review shall include—

21 (A) recommendations regarding the long-
22 term diplomacy and development policy and
23 strategic framework of the United States;

24 (B) priorities of the United States for di-
25 plomacy and development; and

(C) guidance on the related programs, assets, capabilities, budget, policies, and authorities of the Department of State and United States Agency for International Development.

(3) CONSULTATION.—In conducting each quadrennial diplomacy and development review, after consultation with Department of State and United States Agency for International Development officials, the Secretary of State should consult with—

(A) the heads of other relevant Federal agencies, including the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Attorney General, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of Commerce, the Chief Executive Officer of the Millennium Challenge Corporation, and the Director of National Intelligence;

(B) any other Federal agency that provides foreign assistance, including at a minimum the Export-Import Bank of the United States and the Overseas Private Investment Corporation;

(C) the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs

1 and the Committee on Appropriations of the
2 House of Representatives and, as appropriate,
3 other members of Congress; and

4 (D) other relevant governmental and non-
5 governmental entities, including private sector
6 representatives, academics, and other policy ex-
7 perts.

8 (b) CONTENTS OF REVIEW.—Each quadrennial diplo-
9 macy and development review shall—

10 (1) delineate, as appropriate, the national diplo-
11 macy and development policy and strategic frame-
12 work of the United States, consistent with appro-
13 priate national, Department of State, and United
14 States Agency for International Development strate-
15 gies, strategic plans, and relevant presidential direc-
16 tives, including the national security strategy pre-
17 scribed pursuant to section 108 of the National Se-
18 curity Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 404a);

19 (2) outline and prioritize the full range of crit-
20 ical national diplomacy and development areas, capa-
21 bilities, and resources, including those implemented
22 across agencies, and address the full range of chal-
23 lenges confronting the United States in this regard;

24 (3) describe the interagency cooperation, and
25 preparedness of relevant Federal assets, and the in-

1 frastructure, budget plan, and other elements of the
2 diplomacy and development policies and programs of
3 the United States required to execute successfully
4 the full range of mission priorities outlined under
5 paragraph (2);

6 (4) describe the roles of international organiza-
7 tions and multilateral institutions in advancing
8 United States diplomatic and development objec-
9 tives, including the mechanisms for coordinating and
10 harmonizing development policies and programs with
11 partner countries and among donors;

12 (5) identify the budget plan required to provide
13 sufficient resources to successfully execute the full
14 range of mission priorities outlined under paragraph
15 (2);

16 (6) include an assessment of the organizational
17 alignment of the Department of State and the
18 United States Agency for International Development
19 with the national diplomacy and development policy
20 and strategic framework referred to in paragraph
21 (1) and the diplomacy and development mission pri-
22 orities outlined under paragraph (2);

23 (7) review and assess the effectiveness of the
24 management mechanisms of the Department of
25 State and the United States Agency for Inter-

1 national Development for executing the strategic pri-
2 orities outlined in the quadrennial diplomacy and de-
3 velopment review, including the extent to which such
4 effectiveness has been enhanced since the previous
5 report; and

6 (8) the relationship between the requirements of
7 the quadrennial diplomacy and development review
8 and the acquisition strategy and expenditure plan
9 within the Department of State and the United
10 States Agency for International Development.

11 (c) REPORTING.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than the year fol-
13 lowing the year in which a quadrennial diplomacy
14 and development review is conducted, but not later
15 than the date on which the President submits the
16 budget for the next fiscal year to Congress under
17 section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code, the
18 Secretary of State shall submit to Congress a report
19 regarding that quadrennial diplomacy and develop-
20 ment review.

21 (2) CONTENTS OF REPORT.—Each report sub-
22 mitted under paragraph (1) shall include—

23 (A) the results of the quadrennial diplo-
24 macy and development review conducted in ac-
25 cordance with, and based on a detailed assess-

1 ment of, the provisions of and considerations
2 set out in subsections (a)(2) and (b), addressing
3 each of the key elements identified in such sub-
4 sections;

5 (B) a description of the threats to the as-
6 sumed or defined national security interests of
7 the United States that were examined for the
8 purposes of that review;

9 (C) an explanation of any underlying as-
10 sumptions used in conducting the review; and

11 (D) any other matters the Secretary of
12 State considers appropriate.

13 (3) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The Secretary of
14 State shall, consistent with the protection of national
15 security and other sensitive matters, make each re-
16 port submitted under paragraph (1) publicly avail-
17 able on the Internet Web site of the Department of
18 State.

19 (d) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secretary of State may
20 establish within the Department of State an Office of
21 Quadrennial Diplomacy and Development Review, which
22 the Secretary of State may, using only existing resources,
23 staff in a manner to assist in discharging the functions
24 under this section.

1 (e) FOREIGN AFFAIRS POLICY BOARD REVIEW.—
2 The Secretary of State should apprise the Foreign Affairs
3 Policy Board on an ongoing basis of the work undertaken
4 in the conduct of the quadrennial diplomacy and develop-
5 ment review and, upon completion of the review, the
6 Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Policy Board should, on
7 behalf of the Board, prepare and submit to the Secretary
8 an assessment of the review for inclusion in the report
9 submitted under subsection (c).

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Attest:

NANCY ERICKSON,
Secretary.