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AN ACT

To support the independence, sovereignty, and territorial integrity of Ukraine, and for other purposes.

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

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE AND TABLE OF CONTENTS.

- 2 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
 3 “Ukraine Support Act”.
- 4 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for
 5 this Act is as follows:

See. 1. Short title and table of contents.

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1 **SEC. 2. UNITED STATES POLICY.**

2 It is the policy of the United States—

3 (1) to support the right of the people of
4 Ukraine to freely determine their future, including
5 their country's relationship with other nations and
6 international organizations, without interference, in-
7 timidation, or coercion by other countries;

8 (2) to support the people of Ukraine in their
9 desire to address endemic corruption, consolidate de-
10 mocracy, and achieve sustained prosperity;

11 (3) to support the efforts of the Government of
12 Ukraine to bring to justice those responsible for the
13 acts of violence against peaceful protestors and other
14 unprovoked acts of violence related to the anti-gov-
15 ernment protests that began on November 21, 2013;

16 (4) to support the efforts of the Government of
17 Ukraine to identify, investigate, recover, and return
18 to the Ukrainian state assets unaccounted for under
19 the leadership and departure from Ukraine of
20 former President Yanukovych, his family, and other
21 current and former members of the Ukrainian gov-
22 ernment, along with others legitimately charged by
23 government authorities with similar offenses;

24 (5) to assist the Government of Ukraine in
25 preparations for the presidential election scheduled
26 for May 25, 2014, and to participate in efforts to

1 ensure that this election is conducted in accordance
2 with international standards;

3 (6) to promote democratic values, transparent
4 and accountable government institutions, and ad-
5 vance United States national security interests
6 through United States international broadcasting,
7 including the Voice of America and Radio Free Eu-
8 rope/Radio Liberty (RFE/RL), Incorporated;

9 (7) to support needed economic structural re-
10 forms in Ukraine, including in the fiscal, energy,
11 pension, and banking sectors, among others;

12 (8) to support energy diversification initiatives
13 to reduce Russian control of energy supplies to
14 Ukraine and other European countries, including
15 United States promotion of increased natural gas ex-
16 ports to, and energy efficiency in, Ukraine, which
17 could be enhanced by advances in new energy tech-
18 nologies;

19 (9) to condemn the armed intervention of the
20 Russian Federation in Ukraine, including its con-
21 tinuing political, economic, and military aggression
22 against that country;

23 (10) to work with United States allies and part-
24 ners in Europe and around the world, including at
25 the United Nations, to ensure that all nations refuse

1 to recognize the illegal annexation of Crimea by the
2 Russian Federation and reaffirm the independence,
3 sovereignty, and territorial integrity of Ukraine;

4 (11) to refuse to recognize the legitimacy of the
5 illegal referendum in Crimea on March 16, 2014, on
6 the status of that region of Ukraine, which was held
7 under conditions of occupation and coercion by Rus-
8 sian forces;

9 (12) to support the deployment of international
10 monitors to Ukraine to assess the current status of
11 its territorial integrity and the safety of all people in
12 Ukraine;

13 (13) to encourage the Government of Ukraine
14 to continue to respect and protect the rights of all
15 ethnic, religious, and linguistic minorities;

16 (14) to encourage the Government of Ukraine
17 to promote and protect the human rights, as recog-
18 nized by the Universal Declaration of Human
19 Rights, of all individuals as they seek freedom, de-
20 mocracy, and equality under the law;

21 (15) to work with United States allies and part-
22 ners to condemn any violation by Russian Federa-
23 tion occupation forces or their proxies of the rights
24 of ethnic, religious, and linguistic minorities in Cri-
25 mea, including the region's Tatar population;

1 (16) to call on all Ukrainians to respect the le-
2 gitimate government authorities, as well as all
3 Ukrainian laws and the Constitution of Ukraine in
4 all regions of Ukraine, including Crimea;

5 (17) to maintain existing sanctions against and
6 consider all available options for further sanctions
7 on the Russian Federation until Ukrainian sov-
8 ereignty, independence, and territorial integrity are
9 not being violated by the Russian Federation; and

10 (18) to honor and abide by its commitments un-
11 dertaken pursuant to Article 5 of the North Atlantic
12 Treaty, signed at Washington, District of Columbia,
13 on April 4, 1949, and entered into force on August
14 24, 1949.

15 **TITLE I—ASSISTANCE
16 PROVISIONS**

17 **SEC. 101. SUPPORT FOR DEMOCRATIC GOVERNANCE AND
18 CIVIL SOCIETY IN UKRAINE.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—The President is authorized and
20 encouraged to provide assistance to support democracy
21 and civil society, including community-based and faith-
22 based organizations, in Ukraine by undertaking the activi-
23 ties described in subsection (b).

24 (b) ACTIVITIES DESCRIBED.—The activities de-
25 scribed in this subsection are—

1 (1) improving democratic governance, transparency, accountability, rule of law, and anti-corruption efforts;

4 (2) supporting Ukrainian efforts to foster greater unity among people and regions of the country, combat anti-Semitism and discrimination, and promote respect for religious freedom;

8 (3) supporting the people and Government of Ukraine in preparing to conduct and participate in free and fair elections, including through domestic and international election monitoring;

12 (4) assisting Ukraine in diversifying its economy, trade, and energy supplies, including at the national, regional, and local levels;

15 (5) strengthening democratic institutions and political and civil society organizations; and

17 (6) expanding free and unfettered access to independent media of all kinds in Ukraine and assisting with the protection of journalists and civil society activists who have been targeted for free speech activities.

22 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the President \$50,000,000 for fiscal year 2014 to carry out this section.

1 **SEC. 102. ECONOMIC REFORM IN UKRAINE.**

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

3 (1) The Ukrainian economy is weak and vulner-
4 able, as evidenced by short-term debt interest rates
5 as high as 15 percent, a high proportion of foreign
6 exchange-denominated government debt that will
7 mature in 2014 and 2015, a banking sector with
8 non-performing loans at the high level of 14 percent,
9 a financing gap which the Government of Ukraine
10 has estimated will amount to \$35 billion over the
11 next two years, and a large underground economy.
12 This economic condition undermines democratic
13 prospects in Ukraine.

14 (2) Years of poor economic management and
15 performance have undermined and may continue to
16 undermine political stability and unity within
17 Ukraine.

18 (3) On March 6, 2014, the House of Represent-
19 atives passed H.R. 4152, to redirect previously ap-
20 propriated funds to cover the cost of roughly \$1 bil-
21 lion in loan guarantees for Ukraine.

22 (b) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It shall be the policy
23 of the United States to work with other countries and
24 international institutions to stabilize the Ukrainian econ-
25 omy, while promoting critically needed structural economic
26 reforms in Ukraine, including—

1 (1) cutting the massive natural gas subsidies
2 that have led to market inefficiencies;
3 (2) reducing the bloated public sector;
4 (3) maintaining a market-determined exchange
5 rate;
6 (4) strengthening the vulnerable banking sector;
7 (5) promoting a robust, independent, and im-
8 partial judiciary, due process, and uniform applica-
9 tion of law; and
10 (6) reducing corruption, such as by supporting
11 reform efforts of the Government of Ukraine to pass
12 legislation related to greater accountability for gov-
13 ernment officials, greater protection of private prop-
14 erty, and increased transparency of government
15 funds.

16 (c) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
17 gress that loan guarantees provided by the United States
18 for Ukraine should be used to promote government, bank-
19 ing and energy sector reform, and anti-corruption efforts
20 in Ukraine.

21 **SEC. 103. UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMING**
22 **TO UKRAINE AND NEIGHBORING REGIONS.**

23 (a) FINDINGS AND DECLARATIONS.—Congress finds
24 and declares the following:

1 (1) The Russian Government has deliberately
2 blocked the Ukrainian people's access to uncensored
3 sources of information and has provided alternative
4 news and information that is both inaccurate and in-
5 flammatory.

6 (2) United States international programming
7 exists to advance the United States interests and
8 values by presenting accurate and comprehensive
9 news and information, which is the foundation for
10 democratic governance.

11 (3) The opinions and views of the Ukrainian
12 people, especially those people located in the eastern
13 regions and Crimea, are not being accurately rep-
14 resented in Russian dominated mass media.

15 (4) Russian forces have seized more than five
16 television stations in Crimea and taken over trans-
17 missions, switching to a 24/7 Russian propaganda
18 format; this increase in programming augments the
19 already robust pro-Russian programming to
20 Ukraine.

21 (5) United States international programming
22 has the potential to combat this anti-democratic
23 propaganda.

1 (b) PROGRAMMING.—Radio Free Europe/Radio Lib-
2 erty (RFE/RL), Incorporated, and the Voice of America
3 service to Ukraine and neighboring regions shall—

4 (1) provide news and information that is acces-
5 sible, credible, and accurate;

6 (2) emphasize investigative and analytical jour-
7 nalist to highlight inconsistencies and misinforma-
8 tion provided by Russian or pro-Russian media out-
9 lets;

10 (3) prioritize programming to areas where ac-
11 cess to uncensored sources of information is limited
12 or non-existent, especially populations serviced by
13 Russian supported media outlets;

14 (4) increase the number of reporters and orga-
15 nizational presence in eastern Ukraine, especially in
16 Crimea;

17 (5) promote democratic processes, respect for
18 human rights, freedom of the press, and territorial
19 sovereignty; and

20 (6) take necessary preparatory steps to con-
21 tinue and increase programming and content that
22 promotes democracy and government transparency
23 in Russia.

1 (c) PROGRAMMING SURGE.—RFE/RL, Incorporated,
2 and Voice of America programming to Ukraine and neigh-
3 boring regions shall—

4 (1) prioritize programming to eastern Ukraine,
5 including Crimea, and Moldova, and to ethnic and
6 linguistic Russian populations, as well as to Tatar
7 minorities;

8 (2) prioritize news and information that directly
9 contributes to the target audiences' understanding of
10 political and economic developments in Ukraine and
11 Moldova, including countering misinformation that
12 may originate from other news outlets, especially
13 Russian supported news outlets;

14 (3) provide programming content 24 hours a
15 day, seven days a week to target populations, using
16 all available and effective distribution outlets, includ-
17 ing—

18 (A) at least 8 weekly hours of total original
19 television and video content in Ukrainian, Rus-
20 sian, and Tatar languages, not inclusive of live
21 video streaming coverage of breaking news, to
22 be distributed on satellite, digital, and through
23 regional television affiliates by the Voice of
24 America; and

1 (B) at least 14 weekly hours the total
2 audio content in Ukrainian, Russian, and Tatar
3 languages to be distributed on satellite, digital,
4 and through regional radio affiliates of RFE/
5 RL, Incorporated;

6 (4) expand the use, audience, and audience en-
7 gagement of mobile news and multimedia platforms
8 by RFE/RL, Incorporated, and the Voice of Amer-
9 ica, including through Internet-based social net-
10 working platforms; and

11 (5) partner with private sector broadcasters and
12 affiliates to seek and start co-production for new,
13 original content, when possible, to increase distribu-
14 tion.

15 (d) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
16 authorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2014, in addi-
17 tion to funds otherwise made available for such purposes,
18 up to \$10,000,000 to carry out programming in the
19 Ukrainian, Balkan, Russian, and Tatar language services
20 of RFE/RL, Incorporated, and the Voice of America, for
21 the purpose of bolstering existing United States program-
22 ming to the people of Ukraine and neighboring regions,
23 and increasing programming capacity and jamming cir-
24 cumvention technology to overcome any disruptions to
25 service.

1 (e) REPORT.—Not later than 15 days after the date
2 of the enactment of this Act, the Broadcasting Board of
3 Governors shall submit to the Committees on Foreign Af-
4 fairs and Appropriations of the House of Representatives
5 and the Committees on Foreign Relations and Appropria-
6 tions of the Senate a detailed report on plans to increase
7 broadcasts pursuant to subsections (a) and (b).

8 **SEC. 104. OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION.**

9 It is the sense of Congress that the Overseas Private
10 Investment Corporation should prioritize investments in
11 Ukraine.

12 **SEC. 105. ENHANCED ASSISTANCE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT
13 AND THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM IN UKRAINE.**

14 (a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It shall be the policy
15 of the United States—

16 (1) to assist Ukraine to eliminate the human
17 rights abuses associated with the Berkut forces in
18 order to foster a democratically reformed police force
19 with strong public oversight, which is critical to fos-
20 tering political unity and stability throughout
21 Ukraine; and

22 (2) to assist Ukraine to develop a robust, inde-
23 pendent, and impartial judicial system at national,
24 regional, and local levels, which is essential to ensure
25 that the rights of all citizens are respected, and

1 maintain appropriate checks and balances between
2 the co-equal branches of government.

3 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
4 authorized to be appropriated \$8,000,000 for fiscal year
5 2014 to enhance United States efforts to assist Ukraine
6 to strengthen law enforcement capabilities and maintain
7 the rule of law.

8 **SEC. 106. ENHANCED SECURITY COOPERATION AMONG**
9 **CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPEAN NATO**
10 **MEMBER STATES.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State, in con-
12 sultation with the heads of other appropriate United
13 States departments and agencies, shall seek to provide en-
14 hanced security cooperation with Central and Eastern Eu-
15 ropean North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) mem-
16 ber states by undertaking the activities described in sub-
17 section (b).

18 (b) ACTIVITIES DESCRIBED.—The activities de-
19 scribed in this subsection are—

20 (1) enhancing existing security cooperation, in-
21 cluding defense and military-to-military cooperation,
22 among Central and Eastern European NATO mem-
23 ber states;

- 1 (2) enhancing security relationships among the
2 United States, the European Union, and Central
3 and Eastern European NATO member states;
- 4 (3) providing defense articles, defense services,
5 and military training to Central and Eastern Euro-
6 pean NATO member states;
- 7 (4) expanding the scope and frequency of mili-
8 tary exercises among Central and Eastern European
9 NATO member states; and
- 10 (5) supporting greater reform, professionalism,
11 and capacity-building efforts within the military, in-
12 telligence, and security services in Central and East-
13 ern European NATO member states.

14 **SEC. 107. UNITED STATES-UKRAINE SECURITY ASSISTANCE.**

- 15 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—
16 (1) in fiscal year 2013 the United States pro-
17 vided Ukraine with nearly \$2,000,000 in assistance
18 under chapter 5 of part II of the Foreign Assistance
19 Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2347 et seq.; relating to
20 International Military Education Training) and
21 nearly \$7,000,000 in assistance under section 23 of
22 the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2763; re-
23 lating to the Foreign Military Financing Program);
24 and

1 (2) Ukraine has been a longstanding member of
2 NATO's Partnership for Peace.

3 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
4 gress that—

5 (1) United States assistance to Ukraine under
6 chapter 5 of part II of the Foreign Assistance Act
7 of 1961 and section 23 of the Arms Export Control
8 Act should be increased;

9 (2) consistent with section 506(a) of the For-
10 eign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2318(a)),
11 the President is encouraged to draw down defense
12 articles from the stocks of the Department of De-
13 fense, in order to provide security assistance, which
14 could include communication equipment, clothing,
15 fuel and other forms of appropriate assistance, to
16 the Government of Ukraine; and

17 (3) the Government of Ukraine should make
18 greater efforts to secure the protection of classified
19 information and military equipment.

20 (c) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It shall be the policy
21 of the United States, in consultation with the Government
22 of Ukraine, to enhance Ukraine's self defense, including
23 through appropriate assistance to improve the capabilities
24 of the country's armed forces.

25 (d) REVIEW OF SECURITY ASSISTANCE.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after
2 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary
3 of State, in consultation with the heads of other ap-
4 propriate United States departments and agencies,
5 shall submit to Congress a report on the results of
6 a review of all United States security assistance to
7 the Government of Ukraine.

8 (2) FORM.—The report required by paragraph
9 (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may
10 contain a classified annex.

11 **SEC. 108. RECOVERY OF ASSETS LINKED TO CORRUPTION**

12 **IN UKRAINE.**

13 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
14 gress that the Administration should provide expedited as-
15 sistance to the Government of Ukraine through appro-
16 priate United States Government and multilateral pro-
17 grams, including the Department of Justice's Kleptocracy
18 Asset Recovery Initiative, the Egmont Group, the Stolen
19 Asset Recovery Initiative, the Camden Asset Recovery
20 Inter-Agency Network, and the Asset Recovery Focal
21 Point Initiative, to identify, investigate, secure, and re-
22 cover assets missing from the Government of Ukraine or
23 linked to purported acts of corruption by former President
24 Viktor Yanukovych, members of his family, other former

1 or current senior foreign political figures of the Govern-
2 ment of Ukraine, and their accomplices in any jurisdiction.

3 (b) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “senior
4 foreign political figure” has the meaning given the term
5 in section 208.

6 **SEC. 109. EUROPEAN BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND**

7 **DEVELOPMENT.**

8 (a) FINDINGS.—The Congress finds the following:

9 (1) Article 1 of the Agreement Establishing the
10 European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
11 (EBRD) states that the EBRD should support in-
12 vestments in countries that are committed to and
13 applying the principles of multiparty democracy, plu-
14 ralism, and market economics, and the EBRD has
15 recognized that Russia “progress in the application
16 of these principles . . . has been uneven”.

17 (2) Russia received 21 percent of the invest-
18 ments made by the EBRD in 2013, which is more
19 than any other country received from the EBRD in
20 that year, and has received an inordinate ratio of in-
21 vestment from the EBRD since the 2006 Capital
22 Resources Review.

23 (b) SENSE OF THE CONGRESS.—It is the sense of
24 the Congress that the European Bank for Reconstruction
25 and Development (EBRD) should increase investments in

1 Ukraine and cease new investments in the Russian Fed-
2 eration, and the United States Government should press
3 the EBRD to support new investment in Ukraine and halt
4 consideration of new investment in Russia.

5 **SEC. 110. OFFSET.**

6 Section 102(a) of the Enhanced Partnership with
7 Pakistan Act of 2009 (22 U.S.C. 8412(a); Public Law
8 111–73; 123 Stat. 2068) is amended by striking
9 “\$1,500,000,000” and inserting “\$1,430,000,000”.

10 **TITLE II—SANCTIONS**
11 **PROVISIONS**

12 **SEC. 201. CONTINUATION IN EFFECT OF SANCTIONS WITH**
13 **RESPECT TO THE BLOCKING OF CERTAIN**
14 **PERSONS CONTRIBUTING TO THE SITUATION**
15 **IN UKRAINE.**

16 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—United States sanctions described
17 in subsection (b), as in effect on the day before the date
18 of the enactment of this Act, shall remain in effect until
19 the earlier of—

20 (1) the date that is 90 days after the date on
21 which the President submits to the appropriate con-
22 gressional committees the certification described in
23 subsection (a) of section 206 in accordance with sub-
24 section (b) of such section; or

1 (2) the date that is 30 days after any date sub-
2 sequent to January 1, 2020, on which the President
3 submits to the appropriate congressional committees
4 in writing a determination that the termination of
5 such sanctions imposed is in the vital national secu-
6 rity interests of the United States.

7 (b) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—United States sanc-
8 tions described in this subsection are sanctions imposed
9 under the following executive orders:

10 (1) Executive Order 13660 (March 6, 2014; re-
11 lating to blocking property of certain persons con-
12 tributing to the situation in Ukraine).

13 (2) Executive Order 13661 (March 16, 2014;
14 relating to blocking property of additional persons
15 contributing to the situation in Ukraine).

16 (3) Executive Order 13662 (March 20, 2014;
17 relating to blocking property of additional persons
18 contributing to the situation in Ukraine).

19 **SEC. 202. IMPOSITION OF ADDITIONAL SANCTIONS ON PER-**
20 **SONS RESPONSIBLE FOR VIOLENCE OR WHO**
21 **UNDERMINE THE INDEPENDENCE, SOV-**
22 **EREIGNTY, OR TERRITORIAL OR ECONOMIC**
23 **INTEGRITY OF UKRAINE.**

24 (a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It shall be the policy
25 of the United States to impose sanctions with respect to

1 those individuals within and outside of the Government
2 of the Russian Federation whom the President determines
3 wields significant influence over the formation and imple-
4 mentation of Russian foreign policy, in particular with re-
5 spect to the violation of Ukraine's sovereignty, democracy,
6 and territorial integrity.

7 (b) CRITERIA FOR IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS.—A
8 foreign person or an alien is subject to sanctions under
9 subsection (c) in accordance with the provisions of such
10 subsection if the foreign person or alien, on or after No-
11 vember 21, 2013—

12 (1) is knowingly responsible for or complicit in,
13 or engaged in, directly or indirectly—
14 (A) actions that significantly undermine
15 democratic processes or institutions in Ukraine;
16 (B) actions that significantly threaten the
17 peace, security, stability, sovereignty, or terri-
18 torial integrity of Ukraine;
19 (C) acts of significant corruption in
20 Ukraine, or the seizure or expropriation of sig-
21 nificant economic assets from Ukraine, includ-
22 ing the expropriation of private or state assets
23 for personal gain, or the facilitation or transfer
24 of the proceeds of such expropriation to foreign
25 jurisdictions; or

- 1 (D) the commission of serious human
2 rights abuses against citizens of Ukraine or citi-
3 zens of the Russian Federation;
- 4 (2) is a current or former senior foreign polit-
5 ical figure of the Government of the Russian Fed-
6 eration who has engaged in any activity described in
7 paragraph (1);
- 8 (3) operates in the arms or related materiel sec-
9 tor in the Russian Federation that has engaged in
10 any activity described in paragraph (1);
- 11 (4) is a current or former senior foreign polit-
12 ical figure of an entity that has, or whose members
13 have, knowingly engaged in any activity described in
14 paragraph (1), (2), or (3) or of an entity whose
15 property and interests in property are blocked pur-
16 suant to this section;
- 17 (5) has knowingly materially assisted, spon-
18 sored, or provided financial, material, or techno-
19 logical support for, or goods or services to or in sup-
20 port of, any activity described in paragraph (1), (2),
21 or (3) or of any person whose property and interests
22 in property are blocked pursuant to this section; or
- 23 (6) is owned or controlled by, or has acted or
24 purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indi-

1 rectly, any person whose property and interests in
2 property are blocked pursuant to this section.

3 (c) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—The sanctions described in
5 this subsection are the following:

6 (A) ASSET BLOCKING.—With respect to a
7 foreign person who the President, acting
8 through the Secretary of the Treasury and in
9 consultation with the Secretary of State (or
10 their designees), determines meets the require-
11 ments described in subsection (b) (and, if the
12 President determines such foreign person is a
13 senior foreign political figure, such foreign per-
14 son is not included in the classified annex of a
15 report submitted to the appropriate congres-
16 sional committees under subsection (e)(1)), the
17 President, acting through the Secretary of the
18 Treasury and in consultation with the Secretary
19 of State (or their designees), shall to the extent
20 necessary investigate, block during the pend-
21 ency of an investigation, regulate, direct and
22 compel, nullify, void, prevent or prohibit, any
23 acquisition, holding, withholding, use, transfer,
24 withdrawal, transportation, or exportation of, or
25 dealing in, or exercising any right, power, or

1 privilege with respect to, or transactions involv-
2 ing, any property or interests in property of
3 such person to the extent such property or in-
4 terests in property are subject to the jurisdic-
5 tion of the United States, pursuant to the ap-
6 plicable provisions of the International Emer-
7 gency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et
8 seq.).

9 (B) ALIENS INELIGIBLE FOR VISAS, AD-
10 MISSION, OR PAROLE.—

11 (i) VISAS, ADMISSION, OR PAROLE.—
12 An alien who the Secretary of State or the
13 Secretary of Homeland Security (or a des-
14 signee of one of such Secretaries) knows, or
15 has reason to believe, meets any of the cri-
16 teria described in subsection (b) is—

17 (I) inadmissible to the United
18 States;

19 (II) ineligible to receive a visa or
20 other documentation to enter the
21 United States; and

22 (III) otherwise ineligible to be
23 admitted or paroled into the United
24 States or to receive any other benefit

1 under the Immigration and Nation-
2 ality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101 et seq.).

3 (ii) CURRENT VISAS REVOKED.—

4 (I) IN GENERAL.—The issuing
5 consular officer, the Secretary of
6 State, or the Secretary of Homeland
7 Security (or a designee of one of such
8 Secretaries) shall revoke any visa or
9 other entry documentation issued to
10 an alien who meets any of the criteria
11 described in subsection (b), regardless
12 of when issued.

13 (II) EFFECT OF REVOCATION.—

14 A revocation under subparagraph (I)—

15 (aa) shall take effect imme-
16 diately; and

17 (bb) shall automatically can-
18 cel any other valid visa or entry
19 documentation that is in the
20 alien's possession.

21 (2) PENALTIES.—A person that violates, at-
22 tempts to violate, conspires to violate, or causes a
23 violation of paragraph (1)(A) or any regulation, li-
24 cense, or order issued to carry out paragraph (1)(A)
25 shall be subject to the penalties set forth in sub-

1 sections (b) and (c) of section 206 of the International
2 Emergency Economic Powers Act (50
3 U.S.C. 1705) to the same extent as a person that
4 commits an unlawful act described in subsection (a)
5 of that section.

6 (3) REGULATORY AUTHORITY.—The President
7 shall, not later than 90 days after the date of the
8 enactment of this Act, promulgate regulations as
9 necessary for the implementation of this section.

10 (4) EXCEPTION TO COMPLY WITH UNITED NA-
11 TIONS HEADQUARTERS AGREEMENT.—Sanctions
12 under paragraph (1)(B) shall not apply to an alien
13 if admitting the alien into the United States is nec-
14 essary to permit the United States to comply with
15 the Agreement regarding the Headquarters of the
16 United Nations, signed at Lake Success June 26,
17 1947, and entered into force November 21, 1947,
18 between the United Nations and the United States,
19 or other applicable international obligations.

20 (5) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this
21 section shall be construed to limit the authority of
22 the President to impose additional sanctions pursu-
23 ant to the International Emergency Economic Pow-
24 ers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.), relevant executive
25 orders, regulations, or other provisions of law.

1 (d) WAIVER.—The President may waive the applica-
2 tion of sanctions under subsection (c) with respect to a
3 foreign person or alien if the President—

4 (1) determines that such a waiver is vital to the
5 national interest of the United States; and

6 (2) not less than 15 days after the waiver takes
7 effect, submits to the appropriate congressional com-
8 mittees a notice of the waiver and a justification for
9 such waiver.

10 (e) REPORT.—

11 (1) REPORT REQUIRED.—

12 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days
13 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and
14 at least once every 180 days thereafter for a pe-
15 riod not to exceed 2 years, the Secretary of
16 State, in consultation with the Secretary of the
17 Treasury, shall submit to the appropriate con-
18 gressional committees a detailed report with re-
19 spect to senior foreign political figures of the
20 Russian Federation that have been determined
21 to have engaged in activities described in sub-
22 section (b).

23 (B) FORM.—The report required by sub-
24 paragraph (A) shall be submitted in unclassi-
25 fied form but may contain a classified annex.

1 (2) REQUESTS BY CHAIRPERSON AND RANKING
2 MEMBER OF APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
3 TEES.—

4 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120
5 days after receiving a written request from the
6 chairperson and ranking member of one of the
7 appropriate congressional committees with re-
8 spect to whether a senior foreign political figure
9 of the Russian Federation is responsible for en-
10 gaging in activities described in subsection (b),
11 the President shall submit a response to the
12 chairperson and ranking member of the com-
13 mittee which made the request with respect to
14 the status of the person.

15 (B) FORM.—The President may submit a
16 response required by subparagraph (A) in clas-
17 sified form if the President determines that it
18 is necessary for the national security interests
19 of the United States to do so.

20 (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

21 (1) ADMITTED.—The term “admitted” has the
22 meaning given such term in section 101(a)(13)(A) of
23 the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
24 1101(a)(13)(A)).

1 (2) ALIEN.—The term “alien” has the meaning
2 given such term in section 101(a)(3) of the Immi-
3 gration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(3)).

4 (3) FINANCIAL INSTITUTION.—The term “fi-
5 nancial institution” has the meaning given that term
6 in section 5312 of title 31, United States Code.

7 (4) FOREIGN PERSON.—The term “foreign per-
8 son” means—

9 (A) an individual who is not a United
10 States person;

11 (B) a corporation, partnership, or other
12 nongovernmental entity which is not a United
13 States person; or

14 (C) any representative, agent or instru-
15 mentality of, or an individual working on behalf
16 of a foreign government.

17 (5) PAROLED.—The term “paroled” means pa-
18 roled into the United States under section 212(d)(5)
19 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
20 1182(d)(5)).

21 (6) UNITED STATES PERSON.—The term
22 “United States person” means—

23 (A) a United States citizen or an alien law-
24 fully admitted for permanent residence to the
25 United States; or

1 (B) an entity organized under the laws of
2 the United States or of any jurisdiction within
3 the United States, including a foreign branch of
4 such an entity.

5 (g) TERMINATION.—This section and any sanction
6 imposed by this section shall remain in effect until the
7 earlier of—

8 (1) the date that is 90 days after the date on
9 which the President submits to the appropriate con-
10 gressional committees the certification described in
11 subsection (a) of section 206 in accordance with sub-
12 section (b) of such section; or

13 (2) the date that is 30 days after any date sub-
14 sequent to January 1, 2020, on which the President
15 submits to the appropriate congressional committees
16 in writing a determination that the termination of
17 this section and the sanctions imposed by this sec-
18 tion is in the vital national security interests of the
19 United States.

20 **SEC. 203. IMPOSITION OF ADDITIONAL SANCTIONS ON PER-**
21 **SONS COMPLICIT IN OR RESPONSIBLE FOR**
22 **SIGNIFICANT CORRUPTION IN THE RUSSIAN**
23 **FEDERATION.**

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

1 (1) On March 20, 2014, the Department of the
2 Treasury designated four individuals and one financial
3 institution for acting for or on behalf of or ma-
4 terially assisting, sponsoring, or providing financial,
5 material, or technological support for, or goods or
6 services to or in support of, a senior official of the
7 Government of the Russian Federation.

8 (2) Widespread corruption at senior levels of
9 the Government of the Russian Federation, in com-
10 bination with the suppression of political freedoms
11 and the concentration of enormous wealth in the
12 hands of individuals exercising extensive influence
13 over government policy, has contributed to the estab-
14 lishment of an authoritarian system that does not
15 respect the rights of the Russian people.

16 (b) AUTHORITY FOR IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS.—

17 (1) ASSET BLOCKING.—The President, acting
18 through the Secretary of the Treasury and in con-
19 sultation with the Secretary of State (or their des-
20 ignees), is authorized to impose sanctions described
21 in paragraph (1)(A) of section 202(c) in accordance
22 with the provisions of such section against a foreign
23 person if the foreign person is a senior foreign polit-
24 ical figure or a close associate of such senior foreign
25 political figure with respect to whom the President,

1 acting through the Secretary of the Treasury and in
2 consultation with the Secretary of State (or their
3 designees), determines meets one or more of the cri-
4 teria described in subsection (c).

5 (2) ALIENS INELIGIBLE FOR VISAS, ADMISSION,
6 OR PAROLE.—The Secretary of State or the Sec-
7 retary of Homeland Security (or a designee of one
8 of such Secretaries) is authorized to impose sanc-
9 tions described in paragraph (1)(B) of section
10 202(c) in accordance with the provisions of such sec-
11 tion against an alien if the alien is a senior foreign
12 political figure or a close associate of such senior
13 foreign political figure with respect to whom the Sec-
14 retary of State or the Secretary of Homeland Secu-
15 rity (or a designee of one of such Secretaries)
16 knows, or has reason to believe, meets one or more
17 of the criteria described in subsection (c).

18 (c) CRITERIA FOR IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS.—The
19 criteria described in this subsection are the following:

20 (1) The foreign person or alien is responsible
21 for, or complicit in, or responsible for ordering, con-
22 trolling, or otherwise directing, acts of significant
23 corruption in the Russian Federation, including the
24 expropriation of private or public assets for personal
25 gain, corruption related to government contracts or

1 the extraction of natural resources, bribery, or the
2 facilitation or transfer of the proceeds of corruption
3 to foreign jurisdictions.

4 (2) The foreign person or alien has materially
5 assisted, sponsored, or provided financial, material,
6 or technological support for, or goods or services in
7 support of, an act described in paragraph (1).

8 (d) WAIVER.—The waiver provisions of subsection
9 (d) of section 202 shall apply with respect to this section
10 and any sanction imposed by this section to the same ex-
11 tent and in the same manner as such waiver provisions
12 apply to section 202 and any sanction imposed by such
13 section.

14 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the terms “for-
15 eign person” and “alien” have the meanings given such
16 terms in section 202(f).

17 **SEC. 204. REPORT ON CERTAIN FOREIGN FINANCIAL INSTI-**
18 **TUTIONS.**

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

20 (1) On February 26, 2014, the Department of
21 the Treasury’s Financial Crimes Enforcement Net-
22 work advised United States financial institutions of
23 their responsibility to take reasonable, risk-based
24 steps regarding the potential suspicious movement of
25 assets related to Viktor Yanukovych departing Kyiv

1 and abdicating his responsibilities and other senior
2 officials resigning from their positions or departing
3 Kyiv.

4 (2) United States financial institutions are re-
5 quired to apply enhanced scrutiny to private banking
6 accounts held by or on behalf of senior foreign polit-
7 ical figures and to monitor transactions that could
8 potentially represent misappropriated or diverted
9 state assets, the proceeds of bribery or other illegal
10 payments, or other public corruption proceeds.

11 (3) On March 3, 2014, the Government of
12 Ukraine announced that it had initiated criminal
13 proceedings against a number of former Ukrainian
14 officials or close associates of former Ukrainian offi-
15 cials.

16 (4) On March 5, 2014, the European Union,
17 based on information from Ukraine's Prosecutor
18 General, issued a Council Regulation requiring the
19 European Union to freeze the funds and economic
20 resources of various former Ukrainian officials and
21 their close associates.

22 (5) The Government of Canada has taken simi-
23 lar action against the same individuals.

24 (6) The measures being taken against these
25 former Ukrainian officials and their close associates

1 increase the risk that they will seek to move their
2 assets in a deceptive fashion.

3 (7) Foreign financial institutions should apply
4 similar, enhanced due-diligence and reporting re-
5 quirements.

6 (8) The United States has a strong interest in
7 seeing the international financial system protected
8 from illicit financial activity, including money laun-
9 dering, terrorism and proliferation financing,
10 transnational organized crime, and the misappro-
11 priation of state assets, and international sanctions
12 evasion, among others.

13 (9) The Department of the Treasury possesses
14 a range of authorities to insulate the United States
15 financial system from entities or jurisdictions that
16 pose an illicit financing risk.

17 (b) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It shall be the policy
18 of the United States to use all of its regulatory and statu-
19 tory authorities to closely scrutinize all foreign financial
20 institutions, including those in the Russian Federation,
21 that may be complicit in enabling foreign persons and
22 transnational criminal enterprises to evade or otherwise
23 circumvent United States and international sanctions,
24 launder the proceeds of criminal activity, finance acts of
25 terrorism and the proliferation of weapons of mass de-

1 struction, or any other illicit activity that presents risks
2 and vulnerabilities to the United States financial system.

3 (c) REPORT.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after
5 the date of the enactment of this Act, and every 180
6 days thereafter for a period not to exceed 2 years,
7 the Secretary of State and the Secretary of the
8 Treasury shall jointly submit to the appropriate con-
9 gressional committees a report on—

10 (A) foreign financial institutions that are
11 in direct control of Government of Ukraine
12 state-owned or controlled assets in a manner
13 determined by the Secretary of State and the
14 Secretary of the Treasury to be contrary to the
15 interests of the Government of Ukraine;

16 (B) foreign financial institutions deter-
17 mined by the Secretary of State and the Sec-
18 retary of the Treasury to be complicit in illicit
19 financial activity, including money laundering,
20 terrorism and proliferation financing,
21 transnational organized crime, or misappropri-
22 ation of state assets, that are—

23 (i) organized under the laws of the
24 Russian Federation; or

1 (ii) owned or controlled by a foreign
2 person described in section 202(b); and
3 (C) foreign financial institutions that are
4 directly or indirectly assisting or otherwise aiding
5 the violation of Ukrainian sovereignty, inde-
6 pendence, and territorial integrity, including the
7 Crimea.

8 (2) FORM.—The report required to be sub-
9 mitted under this subsection shall be submitted in
10 an unclassified form, to the extent appropriate, but
11 may include a classified annex.

12 **SEC. 205. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE**
13 **RUSSIAN FEDERATION.**

14 It is the sense of Congress that the President should
15 greatly expand the list of 18 Russian officials and others
16 published on April 12, 2013, who were engaged in actions
17 described in section 404 of the Sergei Magnitsky Rule of
18 Law Accountability Act of 2012 (title IV of Public Law
19 112–208; 22 U.S.C. 5811) regarding the death of Sergei
20 Magnitsky, illegal activity by officials of the Government
21 of the Russian Federation, or violations of human rights
22 and other offenses in Russia.

1 **SEC. 206. CERTIFICATION DESCRIBED AND SUBMISSION TO**
2 **CONGRESS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—A certification described in this
4 section is a certification of the President to Congress that
5 Ukrainian sovereignty, independence, and territorial integ-
6 rity is not being violated by the Russian Federation or
7 any other state actor.

8 (b) SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—The President shall submit
10 the certification described in subsection (a) to the
11 appropriate congressional committees in writing and
12 shall include a justification for the certification.

13 (2) FORM OF CERTIFICATION.—The certifi-
14 cation described in subsection (a) shall be submitted
15 in unclassified form but may contain a classified
16 annex.

17 **SEC. 207. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON SUSPENSION OF ALL AC-**
18 **TIVITIES AND MEETINGS OF THE NATO-RUS-**
19 **SIA COUNCIL.**

20 It is the sense of Congress that the United States
21 should work to temporarily suspend all activities and
22 meetings of the NATO-Russia Council.

23 **SEC. 208. DEFINITIONS.**

24 In this title:

1 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
2 TEES.—Except as otherwise provided, the term “ap-
3 propriate congressional committees” means—

4 (A) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the
5 Committee on Financial Services, the Com-
6 mittee on Ways and Means, and the Committee
7 on the Judiciary of the House of Representa-
8 tives; and

9 (B) Committee on Foreign Relations, the
10 Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban
11 Affairs, and the Committee on the Judiciary of
12 the Senate.

13 (2) SENIOR FOREIGN POLITICAL FIGURE.—The
14 term “senior foreign political figure” has the mean-
15 ing given the term in section 1010.605 of title 31,
16 Code of Federal Regulations.

17 **TITLE III—REPORTING
18 PROVISIONS**

19 **SEC. 301. ANNUAL REPORT ON SECURITY DEVELOPMENTS
20 IN THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION AND THEIR EF-
21 FECTS ON UKRAINIAN SOVEREIGNTY.**

22 (a) REPORT.—Not later than September 30, 2014,
23 and September 30 of each year thereafter through 2020,
24 the Secretary of State shall submit to the specified con-
25 gressional committees a report, in both classified and un-

1 classified form, on the current and future security and for-
2 eign policy posture of the Russian Federation (in this sec-
3 tion referred to as “Russia”).

4 (b) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The report re-
5 quired under subsection (a) shall include the following:

6 (1) An assessment of the security situation in
7 regions neighboring Russia, including Crimea.

8 (2) The goals and factors shaping the security
9 strategy of the Government of Russia, including po-
10 tential annexation of non-Russian territory.

11 (3) Trends in Russian security behavior that
12 would be designed to achieve, or that are consistent
13 with, the goals described in paragraph (2).

14 (4) An assessment of the global and regional se-
15 curity objectives of the Government of Russia, in-
16 cluding objectives that would affect the North Atlan-
17 tic Treaty Organization, the Middle East, or the
18 People’s Republic of China.

19 (5) A detailed assessment of the sizes, loca-
20 tions, and capabilities of the nuclear, special oper-
21 ations, land, sea, and air forces of the Government
22 of Russia and how they affect neighboring countries,
23 including Ukraine.

1 (6) Developments in Russian military doctrine
2 and training and whether the developments have dif-
3 fered from before the annexation of Crimea.

4 (7) Other security developments involving Rus-
5 sia that the Secretary of State considers relevant to
6 United States national security.

7 (c) SPECIFIED CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-
8 FINED.—In this section, the term “specified congressional
9 committees” means—

10 (1) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the
11 Committee on Armed Services of the House of Rep-
12 resentatives; and

13 (2) the Committee on Foreign Relations and
14 the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate.

15 **SEC. 302. PRESIDENTIAL DETERMINATION AND REPORT ON**
16 **COMPLIANCE BY RUSSIAN FEDERATION OF**
17 **ITS OBLIGATIONS UNDER INF TREATY.**

18 (a) FINDING.—Congress finds that there are reports
19 that the Russian Federation is in material breach of its
20 obligations under the Treaty Between the United States
21 of America and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
22 on the Elimination of Their Intermediate-Range and
23 Shorter-Range Missiles, commonly referred to as the In-
24 termediate-Range Nuclear Forces (INF) Treaty, signed at

1 Washington December 8, 1987, and entered into force
2 June 1, 1988.

3 (b) REPORT.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after
5 the date of the enactment of this Act, the President
6 shall submit to the Committee on Foreign Affairs of
7 the House of Representatives and the Committee on
8 Foreign Relations of the Senate a report that in-
9 cludes a determination as to whether or not the Rus-
10 sian Federation is in material breach of its obliga-
11 tions under the INF Treaty.

12 (2) ADDITIONAL MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—
13 If the President determines that the Russian Fed-
14 eration is in material breach of its obligations under
15 the INF Treaty, the report shall also include the fol-
16 lowing:

17 (A) A description of the measures taken to
18 hold the Russian Federation accountable for its
19 violation of its obligations under the INF Tre-
20 ty.

21 (B) A description of the measures being
22 taken to ensure that the Russian Federation
23 completely and verifiably eliminates any mili-
24 tary system that constitutes a material breach
25 of its obligations under the INF Treaty.

1 (3) FORM.—The report required by this sub-
2 section shall be submitted in unclassified form but
3 may contain a classified annex.

4 **SEC. 303. REPORT ON GEOPOLITICAL IMPACT OF ENERGY**

5 **EXPORTS.**

6 (a) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 90 days
7 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Depart-
8 ment of State’s Special Envoy and Coordinator for Inter-
9 national Energy Affairs shall submit to the appropriate
10 congressional committees a detailed, quantitative, and
11 substantive report on the potential short, medium, and
12 long-term impacts of increased United States natural gas
13 and oil exports on Russia’s economic and political influ-
14 ence over Ukraine and other European countries.

15 (b) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term “ap-
16 propriate congressional committees” means—

17 (1) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the
18 Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House
19 of Representatives; and

20 (2) the Committee on Foreign Relations and
21 the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of
22 the Senate.

23 **SEC. 304. AMENDMENT TO THE IRAN, NORTH KOREA, AND**
24 **SYRIA NONPROLIFERATION ACT.**

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

1 (1) Iran continues its longstanding effort to obtain banned components for its nuclear and missile programs in violation of its obligations under successive United Nations Security Council Resolutions.

5 (2) Russian entities, including Rosoboronexport, have been sanctioned with respect to proliferation activities, particularly sanctions under the Iran, North Korea, and Syria Nonproliferation Act (Public Law 106–178; 50 U.S.C. 1701 note).

10 (3) The Department of State must expeditiously restore the deterrent effect of the Iran, North Korea, and Syria Nonproliferation Act by fully applying and enforcing such Act.

14 (b) AMENDMENT.—Section 2 of the Iran, North Korea, and Syria Nonproliferation Act (Public Law 106–178; 50 U.S.C. 1701 note) is amended by adding at the end the following:

18 “(f) PLAN TO EXPEDITE REPORTS AND SANCTIONS
19 UNDER THIS ACT.—

20 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of the Ukraine Support Act, the President shall submit to the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Foreign Relations in the Senate, a plan, to include specific time-

1 tables, to expedite the implementation of this Act
2 with respect to submission of reports required under
3 subsection (a) and the application of measures to
4 certain foreign persons under section 3.

5 “(2) SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON SYRLA.—In the
6 submission of reports required under subsection (a)
7 and in accordance with the plan required under
8 paragraph (1), the President is encouraged to place
9 a special emphasis on any foreign person in Russia,
10 including any Russian Federation official, that is en-
11 gaged in any activity described in subsection (a)
12 with respect to the government of President Bashar
13 al-Assad and any affiliates thereof.

14 “(3) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in
15 this subsection shall be construed to preclude or ex-
16 empt the President from fulfilling or otherwise devi-
17 ating from the requirements under subsection (b).”.

Passed the House of Representatives March 27,
2014.

Attest: KAREN L. HAAS,
Clerk.