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To prohibit lifting of United States sanctions imposed with respect to North Korea.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania (for himself and Mr. NORMAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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## 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. PROHIBITION ON LIFTING OF UNITED STATES**  
4 **SANCTIONS IMPOSED WITH RESPECT TO**  
5 **NORTH KOREA.**

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

7 (1) The Democratic People’s Republic of Korea  
8 (North Korea) has a history of cheating on nuclear  
9 accords.

1           (2) The United Nations Commission of Inquiry  
2           on Human Rights in North Korea concluded in 2014  
3           that Kim Jong Un and the North Korean leadership  
4           was perpetrating “unspeakable atrocities” against  
5           its own people on a vast scale and committed “wide-  
6           spread, systematic, and gross violations” that  
7           amount to crimes against humanity.

8           (3) The chair of the United Nations Commis-  
9           sion of Inquiry on Human Rights in North Korea  
10          called these atrocities “strikingly similar” to crimes  
11          committed by Nazi Germany in World War II, in-  
12          cluding execution, enslavement, starvation, rape, and  
13          forced abortion, and warned Kim Jong Un of his  
14          own personal culpability in a special letter attached  
15          to the report.

16          (4) Under Kim Jong Un’s leadership, there are  
17          reports of newborn babies in prison being fed to  
18          guard dogs, punishment and possible execution of  
19          starving prisoners caught digging for edible plants,  
20          and forced abortions.

21          (5) Kim Jong Un, after taking over the leader-  
22          ship of North Korea, launched political purges, en-  
23          compassing relatives, including his uncle and half-  
24          brother, who was murdered by a chemical weapon in  
25          Malaysia in 2017.

1           (6) Otto Warmbier, a 22-year-old American col-  
2           lege student, was brutally tortured by the North Ko-  
3           rean regime under Kim Jong Un and died shortly  
4           after his release from North Korea.

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

7           (1) any negotiation with North Korea regarding  
8           denuclearization should include an equivalent de-  
9           mand for transparency regarding North Korea’s  
10          human rights situation;

11          (2) the United States should not trust Kim  
12          Jong Un and the leadership of North Korea to vol-  
13          untarily and peacefully end its nuclear program as  
14          long as they continue to commit mass atrocities  
15          against the North Korean people;

16          (3) no sanctions relief should be provided to  
17          North Korea until the President certifies to the ap-  
18          propriate congressional committees that the lives of  
19          ordinary North Koreans are improving and the Kim  
20          family has made progress on North Korea’s deplor-  
21          able human rights situation.

22          (c) LIMITATION ON WAIVER OF SANCTIONS.—The  
23          President may not waive, suspend, reduce, provide relief  
24          from, or otherwise limit the application of United States  
25          sanctions imposed with respect to North Korea until the

1 President certifies to the appropriate congressional com-  
2 mittees that North Korea—

3           (1) has repudiated and ceased engaging in  
4 gross human rights abuses, including operation of  
5 slave-labor and political prisoner camps;

6           (2) has established a disclosure and trans-  
7 parency process to identify crimes committed by the  
8 North Korean regime against its people; and

9           (3) has issued a formal apology to the family of  
10 Otto Warmbier for the unlawful detention, torture,  
11 and murder of Otto Warmbier.

12       (d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—  
13 In this section, the term “appropriate congressional com-  
14 mittees” means—

15           (1) the congressional defense committees (as  
16 such term is defined in section 101 of title 10,  
17 United States Code); and

18           (2) the Committee on Foreign Relations of the  
19 Senate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the  
20 House of Representatives.

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