

Public Law 93-460

AN ACT

October 20, 1974
[H. R. 13261]

To amend the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended, to provide for the timely determination of certain claims of American nationals settled by the United States-Hungarian Claims Agreement of March 6, 1973, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended, is further amended as follows:

International
Claims Settle-
ment Act of 1949,
amendments.

22 USC 1621
note,
Claims funds.
22 USC 1641a.

24 UST 522.

22 USC 1641b.

Claims of U.S.
nationals.

Filing of
claims, time
limit; notice.
22 USC 1641e.

Publication in
Federal Register.

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Federal Register.

Payment of
awards.
22 USC 1641i.

(1) Section 302, title III, is amended by adding a new subsection (c) as follows:

“(c) The Secretary of the Treasury shall cover into the Hungarian Claims Fund, such sums as may be paid to the United States by the Government of Hungary pursuant to the terms of the United States-Hungarian Claims Agreement of March 6, 1973.”

(2) Section 303, title III, is further amended by striking out the word “and” at the end of paragraph (3), and by striking out the period at the end of paragraph (4) and inserting in lieu thereof a semicolon and the word “and”.

(3) Section 303, title III, is further amended by adding a new paragraph (5) as follows:

“(5) pay effective compensation for the nationalization, compulsory liquidation, or other taking of property of nationals of the United States in Hungary, between August 9, 1955, and the date the United States-Hungarian Claims Agreement of March 6, 1973, enters into force.”

(4) Section 306, title III, is further amended—

(A) by inserting in subsection (a), immediately before “this title”, the following: “paragraph (1), (2), or (3) of section 303 of”; and

(B) by adding at the end thereof the following:

“(c) Within thirty days after enactment of this subsection, or thirty days after enactment of legislation making appropriations to the Commission for payment of administrative expenses incurred in carrying out its functions under paragraph (5) of section 303, whichever date is later, the Commission shall publish in the Federal Register the time when, and the limit of time within which, claims may be filed with the Commission under paragraph (5) of section 303, which limit shall not be more than six months after such publication.

“(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, any national of the United States who was mailed notice by any department or agency of the Government of the United States with respect to filing a claim against the Government of Hungary arising out of any of the failures referred to in paragraph (1), (2), or (3) of section 303 of this title, and who did not receive the notice as the result of administrative error in placing a nonexistent address on the notice, may file with the Commission a claim under any such paragraph. The Commission shall publish in the Federal Register, within thirty days after enactment of this paragraph, when the limit of time within which any such claim may be filed with the Commission, which limit shall not be more than six months after such publication.”

(5) Section 310, title III, is further amended by adding at the end of subsection (a) thereof a new paragraph (7), as follows:

“(7) (A) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (D), whenever the Commission is authorized to settle claims by enactment of paragraph (5) of section 303 of this title with respect to Hungary, no further payments shall be authorized by the Secretary of the

Treasury on account of awards certified by the Commission under paragraphs (2) and (3) of section 303 out of the Hungarian Claims Fund until payments on account of awards certified under paragraph (5) of section 303 with respect to such fund have been authorized in equal proportions to payments previously authorized on existing awards certified under paragraphs (2) and (3) of section 303.

22 USC 1641b.

“(B) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (D), with respect to awards previously certified under paragraph (1) of section 303, the Secretary of the Treasury shall not authorize any further payments until payments on account of awards certified under paragraphs (2), (3), and (5) of section 303 have been authorized in equal proportions to payments previously authorized on existing awards certified under paragraph (1) of section 303.

“(C) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (D), the Secretary of the Treasury shall not authorize any further payments on account of awards certified under paragraph (3) of section 303 based on Kingdom of Hungary bonds expressed in United States dollars or upon awards to Standstill creditors of Hungary that were the subject matter of the agreement of December 5, 1969, between the Government of Hungary and the American Committee for Standstill creditors of Hungary.

“(D) No payments shall be authorized by the Secretary of the Treasury on account of awards certified by the Commission under paragraph (5) of section 303 of this title, and no further payments shall be so authorized under paragraphs (1), (2), or (3) of section 303 (except payments certified as the result of claims filed under subsection (d) of section 306), until payments on account of awards certified under such paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) as the result of a claims filed under subsection (d) of section 306 have been authorized in equal proportions to payments previously authorized on existing awards certified under such paragraphs and arising out of claims filed other than under such subsection (d).

22 USC 1641e.

“(E) The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized and directed to deduct the sum of \$125,000 from the Hungarian Claims Fund and cover such amount into the Treasury to the credit of miscellaneous receipts in satisfaction of the claim of the United States referred to in article 2, paragraph 4 of the United States-Hungarian Claims Agreement of March 6, 1973. Such amount shall be deducted in annual installments over the period during which the Government of Hungary makes payments to the Government of the United States as provided in article 4 of the agreement.”

Payment of U.S. claim.

24 UST 522.

(6) Section 316, title III, is amended by adding a new subsection (c) as follows:

22 USC 1641o.

“(c) The Commission shall complete its affairs in connection with the settlement of claims pursuant to paragraph (5) of section 303 of this title not later than two years following the deadline established under subsection (c) of section 306 of this title.”

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AN ACT

To repeal the “coolly trade” laws.

October 20, 1974
[S. 2220]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That sections 2158–2163, Revised Statutes, and sections 1, 2, and 4 of the Act of March 3, 1875 (ch. 141, 18 Stat. 477) (8 U.S.C. 331–339), are hereby repealed.

“Coolly trade” laws, repeal.

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