

Republic of China or other regions in the country, which are known to be produced with forced labor.”

**§ 293. Repealed. Pub. L. 88-94, § 2(a), Aug. 12, 1963, 77 Stat. 122**

Section, acts May 7, 1926, ch. 250, § 2, 44 Stat. 404; May 29, 1928, ch. 876, § 2, 45 Stat. 971; June 19, 1952, ch. 446, § 1, 66 Stat. 140, established the Foreign Service Buildings Commission, prescribed its duties, abolished the prior commission, authorized the issuance of rules and regulations, required annual reports to Congress and provided for appointment of personnel.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

**FOREIGN SERVICE BUILDINGS COMMISSION; REFERENCES IN OTHER LAWS**

Pub. L. 88-94, § 2(g), Aug. 12, 1963, 77 Stat. 122, provided that: “All references to the Foreign Service Buildings Commission, originally established by the Foreign Service Buildings Act, 1926 [this chapter] in all laws of the United States are hereby repealed.”

**§ 294. Manner of use of buildings; contracts for construction, etc.**

Buildings and grounds acquired under this chapter or prior to May 7, 1926, acquired or authorized for the use of the diplomatic and consular establishments in foreign countries may be used, in the case of buildings and grounds for the diplomatic establishment, as Government offices or residences or as such offices and residences; or, in the case of other buildings and grounds, as such offices or such offices and residences. The contracts for purchases of buildings, for leases, and for all work of construction, alteration, and repair under this chapter are authorized to be negotiated, the terms of the contracts to be prescribed, and the work to be performed, where necessary, without regard to such statutory provisions as relate to the negotiation, making, and performance of contracts and performance of work in the United States and without regard to section 3324(a) and (b) of title 31.

(May 7, 1926, ch. 250, § 3, 44 Stat. 404; Pub. L. 88-94, § 2(c), Aug. 12, 1963, 77 Stat. 122; Pub. L. 102-138, title I, § 115(c), Oct. 28, 1991, 105 Stat. 656.)

**Editorial Notes**

**CODIFICATION**

“Section 3324(a) and (b) of title 31” substituted in text for “section 3648 of the Revised Statutes of the United States (31 U.S.C. 529)” on authority of Pub. L. 97-258, § 4(b), Sept. 13, 1982, 96 Stat. 1067, the first section of which enacted Title 31, Money and Finance.

**AMENDMENTS**

1991—Pub. L. 102-138 inserted “purchases of buildings, for leases, and for” after “contracts for”.

1963—Pub. L. 88-94 struck out “, subject to the direction of the commission,” before “be used” and “in the judgment of the commission,” after “where necessary,” and inserted “and without regard to section 529 of title 31”.

**§ 294a. Contracts requiring payment in foreign currency**

Whenever a contract is made for the construction, alteration, or repair of a Foreign Service

building which requires payments in a foreign currency, the Secretary of State is authorized to purchase such currency at such times and in such amounts (within the total amount of the payments to be made under such contract) as he may deem necessary, the currency so purchased to be disbursed and accounted for at its cost price.

(May 14, 1940, ch. 189, title I, 54 Stat. 186.)

**Editorial Notes**

**CODIFICATION**

Section was not enacted as a part of the Foreign Service Buildings Act, 1926, which comprises this chapter.

**PRIOR PROVISIONS**

Prior similar provisions were contained in act June 29, 1939, ch. 248, title I, 53 Stat. 890.

**§ 294b. Support co-location with allied partner nations**

The Secretary, following consultation which occurs a reasonable time in advance of the exercise of the authority and includes details on costs and purposes with the appropriate congressional committees, the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives may alter, repair, and furnish United States Government-owned and leased space for use by the government of a foreign country to facilitate co-location of such government in such space, on such terms and conditions as the Secretary may determine, including with respect to reimbursement of all or part of the costs of such alteration, repair, or furnishing. Reimbursements or advances of funds pursuant to this section may be credited to the currently applicable appropriation and shall be available for the purposes for which such appropriation is authorized.

(Pub. L. 118-159, div. G, title LXXII, § 7213, Dec. 23, 2024, 138 Stat. 2535.)

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

**DEFINITIONS**

For definitions of “Secretary” and “appropriate congressional committees” as used in this section, see section 7002 of Pub. L. 118-159, set out as a note under section 2651 of this title.

**§ 295. Authorization of appropriations; Foreign Service Building Fund; expenditures; foreign currencies**

(a) For the purpose of carrying into effect the provisions of this chapter there is authorized to be appropriated an amount not exceeding \$10,000,000, and the appropriations made pursuant to this authorization shall constitute a fund to be known as the Foreign Service Building Fund, to remain available until expended. Under this authorization not more than \$2,000,000 shall be appropriated for any one year, but within the total authorization provided in this chapter the Secretary of State may enter into contracts for the acquisition of the buildings and grounds authorized by this chapter. In the case of the