

§ 7832. Assistance provided inside North Korea**(a) Humanitarian assistance through nongovernmental and international organizations**

It is the sense of the Congress that—

(1) at the same time that Congress supports the provision of humanitarian assistance to the people of North Korea on humanitarian grounds, such assistance also should be provided and monitored so as to minimize the possibility that such assistance could be diverted to political or military use, and to maximize the likelihood that it will reach the most vulnerable North Koreans;

(2) significant increases above current levels of United States support for humanitarian assistance provided inside North Korea should be conditioned upon substantial improvements in transparency, monitoring, and access to vulnerable populations throughout North Korea; and

(3) the United States should encourage other countries that provide food and other humanitarian assistance to North Korea to do so through monitored, transparent channels, rather than through direct, bilateral transfers to the Government of North Korea.

(b) United States assistance to the government of North Korea

It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) United States humanitarian assistance to any department, agency, or entity of the Government of North Korea shall—

(A) be delivered, distributed, and monitored according to internationally recognized humanitarian standards;

(B) be provided on a needs basis, and not used as a political reward or tool of coercion;

(C) reach the intended beneficiaries, who should be informed of the source of the assistance; and

(D) be made available to all vulnerable groups in North Korea, no matter where in the country they may be located; and

(2) United States nonhumanitarian assistance to North Korea shall be contingent on North Korea's substantial progress toward—

(A) respect for the basic human rights of the people of North Korea, including freedom of religion;

(B) providing for family reunification between North Koreans and their descendants and relatives in the United States;

(C) fully disclosing all information regarding citizens of Japan and the Republic of Korea abducted by the Government of North Korea;

(D) allowing such abductees, along with their families, complete and genuine freedom to leave North Korea and return to the abductees' original home countries;

(E) reforming the North Korean prison and labor camp system, and subjecting such reforms to independent international monitoring; and

(F) decriminalizing political expression and activity.

(c) Report

Not later than 180 days after October 18, 2004, the Administrator of the Agency for Inter-

national Development shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report describing compliance with this section.

(Pub. L. 108-333, title II, § 202, Oct. 18, 2004, 118 Stat. 1293.)

§ 7833. Assistance provided outside of North Korea**(a) Assistance**

The President is authorized to provide assistance to support organizations or persons that provide humanitarian assistance to North Koreans who are outside of North Korea without the permission of the Government of North Korea.

(b) Types of assistance

Assistance provided under subsection (a) should be used to provide—

(1) humanitarian assistance to North Korean refugees, defectors, migrants, and orphans outside of North Korea, which may include support for refugee camps or temporary settlements; and

(2) humanitarian assistance to North Korean women outside of North Korea who are victims of trafficking, as defined in section 7102(15)¹ of this title, or are in danger of being trafficked.

(c) Authorization of appropriations**(1) In general**

In addition to funds otherwise available for such purposes, there are authorized to be appropriated to the President \$5,000,000 for each of the fiscal years 2018 through 2022 to carry out this section.

(2) Availability

Amounts appropriated pursuant to the authorization of appropriations under paragraph (1) are authorized to remain available until expended.

(Pub. L. 108-333, title II, § 203, Oct. 18, 2004, 118 Stat. 1294; Pub. L. 110-346, § 10, Oct. 7, 2008, 122 Stat. 3942; Pub. L. 112-172, § 9, Aug. 16, 2012, 126 Stat. 1309; Pub. L. 113-4, title XII, § 1212(b)(2)(B), Mar. 7, 2013, 127 Stat. 144; Pub. L. 115-198, § 7(e), July 20, 2018, 132 Stat. 1524.)

Editorial Notes

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 7102(15) of this title, referred to in subsec. (b)(2), was redesignated section 7102(17) of this title by Pub. L. 115-427, § 2(1), Jan. 9, 2019, 132 Stat. 5503.

AMENDMENTS

2018—Subsec. (c)(1). Pub. L. 115-198 substituted “2018 through 2022” for “2013 through 2017”.

2013—Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 113-4 substituted “section 7102(15)” for “section 7102(14)”.

2012—Subsec. (c)(1). Pub. L. 112-172 substituted “\$5,000,000” for “\$20,000,000” and “2013 through 2017” for “2005 through 2012”.

2008—Subsec. (c)(1). Pub. L. 110-346 substituted “2012” for “2008”.

§ 7834. Briefings on the welfare of North Korean children**(a) In general**

The Secretary of State shall designate a representative to regularly brief the appropriate

¹ See References in Text note below.