

(I) the specified country has appropriately staffed its national security council or other identified coordinating body; and

(II) the extent to which the national security council, or other identified coordinating body, of the specified country is capable of carrying out the activities described in paragraph (5);

(iv) an assessment of—

(I) any challenge to cooperation and coordination with the national security council, or other identified coordinating body, of any specified country;

(II) current efforts by the Secretary of State to coordinate with the specified countries on the activities described in paragraph (5); and

(III) existing governmental entities within each specified country that are capable of supporting such activities;

(v) a description of any challenge with respect to—

(I) the implementation of the national security council, or other identified coordinating body, of any specified country; and

(II) the implementation of paragraphs (1) through (3);

(vi) an assessment of any attempt or campaign by a malign actor to influence the political, security, or economic policy of a specified country, a member of a national security council or other identified coordinating body, or an immediate family member of such a member; and

(vii) any other matter the Secretary of State considers relevant.

#### **(B) Form**

Each report required by subparagraph (A) may be submitted in unclassified form and may include a classified annex.

#### **(5) Activities described**

The activities described in this subsection are the following homeland security activities:

(A) Coordination of—

(i) the prosecution and investigation of transnational criminal enterprises;

(ii) responses to national emergencies, such as natural disasters;

(iii) counterintelligence and counter-coercion responses to foreign threats; and

(iv) efforts to combat illegal, unreported, or unregulated fishing.

(B) Coordination with United States Government officials on humanitarian response, military exercises, law enforcement, and other issues of security concern.

(C) Identification and development of an existing governmental entity to support homeland defense and civil support activities.

(Pub. L. 118-31, div. E, title LIV, §5412, Dec. 22, 2023, 137 Stat. 949.)

#### **Editorial Notes**

##### REFERENCES IN TEXT

The applicable Compact of Free Association, referred to in subsec. (c)(1)(A)(iii), probably means the Compact

of Free Association between the Government of the United States and the Governments of the Marshall Islands and the Federated States of Micronesia, which is contained in section 201 of Pub. L. 99-239, set out as a note under section 1901 of this title, and the Compact of Free Association between the Government of the United States and the Government of Palau, which is contained in section 201 of Pub. L. 99-658, set out as a note under section 1931 of this title.

Section 1260H of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021, referred to in subsec. (c)(3)(B), is section 1260H of Pub. L. 116-283, which is set out as a note under section 113 of Title 10, Armed Forces.

#### **Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

##### “CONGRESSIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEES” DEFINED

For definition of “congressional defense committees” as the Committees on Armed Services and Appropriations of the Senate and the House of Representatives, see section 101 of Title 10, Armed Forces, as made applicable by section 3 of Pub. L. 118-31, which is listed in a table under section 101 of Title 10.

#### SUBCHAPTER IV—MICRONESIA, MARSHALL ISLANDS, AND PALAU: 2023 AGREEMENTS

#### **§ 1981. Findings**

Congress finds the following:

(1) The United States (in accordance with the Trusteeship Agreement for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, the United Nations Charter, and the objectives of the international trusteeship system of the United Nations) fulfilled its obligations to promote the development of the people of the Trust Territory toward self-government or independence, as appropriate, to the particular circumstances of the Trust Territory and the people of the Trust Territory and the freely expressed wishes of the people concerned.

(2) The United States, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of the Marshall Islands entered into the Compact of Free Association set forth in section 201 of the Compact of Free Association Act of 1985 (48 U.S.C. 1901 note; Public Law 99-239) and the United States and the Republic of Palau entered into the Compact of Free Association set forth in section 201 of Public Law 99-658 (48 U.S.C. 1931 note) to create and maintain a close and mutually beneficial relationship.

(3) The “Compact of Free Association, as amended, between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia”, the “Compact of Free Association, as amended, between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands”, and related agreements were signed by the Government of the United States and the Governments of the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of the Marshall Islands and approved, as applicable, by section 201 of the Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2003 (48 U.S.C. 1921 note; Public Law 108-188).

(4) The “Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Palau Following the Compact of Free Association Section 432 Review”, was signed by the Govern-

ment of the United States and the Government of the Republic of Palau on September 3, 2010, and amended on September 19, 2018.

(5) On May 22, 2023, the United States signed the “Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Palau Resulting From the 2023 Compact of Free Association Section 432 Review”.

(6) On May 23, 2023, the United States signed 3 agreements related to the U.S.-FSM Compact of Free Association, including an Agreement to Amend the Compact, as amended, a new fiscal procedures agreement, and a new trust fund agreement and on September 28, 2023, the United States signed a Federal Programs and Services agreement related to the U.S.-FSM Compact of Free Association.

(7) On October 16, 2023, the United States signed 3 agreements relating to the U.S.-RMI Compact of Free Association, including an Agreement to Amend the Compact, as amended, a new fiscal procedures agreement, and a new trust fund agreement.

(Pub. L. 118-42, div. G, title II, § 202, Mar. 9, 2024, 138 Stat. 419.)

#### Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

##### SHORT TITLE

For Short Title of title II of Pub. L. 118-42 as the “Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2024”, see section 201 of title II of div. G of Pub. L. 118-42, set out as a Short Title of 2024 Amendment note under section 1901 of this title.

#### § 1982. Definitions

In this subchapter:

##### (1) 1986 Compact

The term “1986 Compact” means the Compact of Free Association between the Government of the United States and the Governments of the Marshall Islands and the Federated States of Micronesia set forth in section 201 of the Compact of Free Association Act of 1985 (48 U.S.C. 1901 note; Public Law 99-239).

##### (2) 2003 Amended U.S.-FSM Compact

The term “2003 Amended U.S.-FSM Compact” means the Compact of Free Association amending the 1986 Compact entitled the “Compact of Free Association, as amended, between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia” set forth in section 201(a) of the Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2003 (48 U.S.C. 1921 note; Public Law 108-188).

##### (3) 2003 Amended U.S.-RMI Compact

The term “2003 Amended U.S.-RMI Compact” means the Compact of Free Association amending the 1986 Compact entitled “Compact of Free Association, as amended, between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands” set forth in section 201(b) of the Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2003 (48 U.S.C. 1921 note; Public Law 108-188).

##### (4) 2023 Agreement to Amend the U.S.-FSM Compact

The term “2023 Agreement to Amend the U.S.-FSM Compact” means the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia to Amend the Compact of Free Association, as Amended, done at Palikir May 23, 2023.

##### (5) 2023 Agreement to Amend the U.S.-RMI Compact

The term “2023 Agreement to Amend the U.S.-RMI Compact” means the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands to Amend the Compact of Free Association, as Amended, done at Honolulu October 16, 2023.

##### (6) 2023 Amended U.S.-FSM Compact

The term “2023 Amended U.S.-FSM Compact” means the 2003 Amended U.S.-FSM Compact [48 U.S.C. 1921 note], as amended by the 2023 Agreement to Amend the U.S.-FSM Compact.

##### (7) 2023 Amended U.S.-RMI Compact

The term “2023 Amended U.S.-RMI Compact” means the 2003 Amended U.S.-RMI Compact [48 U.S.C. 1921 note], as amended by the 2023 Agreement to Amend the U.S.-RMI Compact.

##### (8) 2023 U.S.-FSM Federal Programs and Services Agreement

The term “2023 U.S.-FSM Federal Programs and Services Agreement” means the 2023 Federal Programs and Services Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia, done at Washington September 28, 2023.

##### (9) 2023 U.S.-FSM Fiscal Procedures Agreement

The term “2023 U.S.-FSM Fiscal Procedures Agreement” means the Agreement Concerning Procedures for the Implementation of United States Economic Assistance provided in the 2023 Amended U.S.-FSM Compact between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia, done at Palikir May 23, 2023.

##### (10) 2023 U.S.-FSM Trust Fund Agreement

The term “2023 U.S.-FSM Trust Fund Agreement” means the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia Regarding the Compact Trust Fund, done at Palikir May 23, 2023.

##### (11) 2023 U.S.-Palau Compact Review Agreement

The term “2023 U.S.-Palau Compact Review Agreement” means the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Palau Resulting From the 2023 Compact of Free Association Section 432 Review, done at Port Moresby May 22, 2023.

##### (12) 2023 U.S.-RMI Fiscal Procedures Agreement

The term “2023 U.S.-RMI Fiscal Procedures Agreement” means the Agreement Concerning