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AN ACT

To amend the Hong Kong Policy Act of 1992 and for other purposes.

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. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
5 “Hong Kong Human Rights and Democracy Act of
6 2019”.

7 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for
8 this Act is as follows:

- Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
- Sec. 2. Definitions.
- Sec. 3. Statement of policy.
- Sec. 4. Amendments to the United States-Hong Kong Policy Act of 1992.
- Sec. 5. Report on enforcement of United States export control and sanctions laws by Hong Kong.
- Sec. 6. Protecting United States interests with respect to Hong Kong.

Sec. 7. Sanctions relating to undermining fundamental freedoms and autonomy in Hong Kong.

Sec. 8. Sanctions reports.

Sec. 9. Determination of budgetary effects.

1 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

2 In this Act:

3 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
4 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
5 mittees” means—

6 (A) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of
7 the House of Representatives;

8 (B) the Committee on Financial Services
9 of the House of Representatives;

10 (C) the Committee on the Judiciary of the
11 House of Representatives.

12 (D) the Committee on Foreign Relations of
13 the Senate;

14 (E) the Committee on Banking, Housing,
15 and Urban Affairs of the Senate; and

16 (F) the Committee on the Judiciary of the
17 Senate.

18 (2) CHINA.—The term “China” means the Peo-
19 ple’s Republic of China.

20 (3) SOCIAL CREDIT SYSTEM.—The term “social
21 credit system” means a system proposed by the Gov-
22 ernment of China and scheduled for implementation
23 by 2020 that would use existing financial credit sys-

1 tems, public records, online activity, and other tools
2 of surveillance to aggregate data on every Chinese
3 citizen and business and use that data to monitor,
4 shape, and rate certain financial, social, religious, or
5 political behaviors.

6 **SEC. 3. STATEMENT OF POLICY.**

7 It is the policy of the United States—

8 (1) to reaffirm the principles and objectives set
9 forth in the United States-Hong Kong Policy Act of
10 1992 (Public Law 102–383), namely that—

11 (A) the United States has “a strong inter-
12 est in the continued vitality, prosperity, and
13 stability of Hong Kong”;

14 (B) “[s]upport for democratization is a
15 fundamental principle of United States foreign
16 policy” and therefore “naturally applies to
17 United States policy toward Hong Kong”;

18 (C) “the human rights of the people of
19 Hong Kong are of great importance to the
20 United States and are directly relevant to
21 United States interests in Hong Kong [and]
22 serve as a basis for Hong Kong’s continued eco-
23 nomic prosperity”; and

24 (D) Hong Kong must remain sufficiently
25 autonomous from the People’s Republic of

1 China to “justify treatment under a particular
2 law of the United States, or any provision
3 thereof, different from that accorded the Peo-
4 ple’s Republic of China”;

5 (2) to support the high degree of autonomy and
6 fundamental rights and freedoms of the people of
7 Hong Kong, as enumerated by—

8 (A) the Joint Declaration of the Govern-
9 ment of the United Kingdom of Great Britain
10 and Northern Ireland and the Government of
11 the People’s Republic of China on the Question
12 of Hong Kong, done at Beijing December 19,
13 1984 (referred to in this Act as the “Joint Dec-
14 laration”);

15 (B) the International Covenant on Civil
16 and Political Rights, done at New York Decem-
17 ber 19, 1966; and

18 (C) the Universal Declaration of Human
19 Rights, done at Paris December 10, 1948.

20 (3) to support the democratic aspirations of the
21 people of Hong Kong, including the “ultimate aim”
22 of the selection of the Chief Executive and all mem-
23 bers of the Legislative Council by universal suffrage,
24 as articulated in the Basic Law of the Hong Kong
25 Special Administrative Region of the People’s Re-

1 public of China (referred to in this Act as the
2 “Basic Law”);

3 (4) to urge the Government of the People’s Re-
4 public of China and the Government of the Hong
5 Kong Special Autonomous Region to uphold their
6 commitment to the people of Hong Kong, including
7 providing a high degree of autonomy for Hong Kong
8 as articulated in the Joint Declaration and the Basic
9 Law;

10 (5) to support the robust exercise by residents
11 of Hong Kong of the rights to free speech, the press,
12 and other fundamental freedoms as provided by the
13 Basic Law and the Joint Declaration;

14 (6) to support freedom from arbitrary or unlaw-
15 ful arrest, detention, or imprisonment for all Hong
16 Kong residents, as provided to them by the Basic
17 Law and the Joint Declaration;

18 (7) to draw international attention to any viola-
19 tions by the Government of the People’s Republic of
20 China of the fundamental rights of the people of
21 Hong Kong and any encroachment upon the auton-
22 omy guaranteed to Hong Kong by the Basic Law
23 and the Joint Declaration;

24 (8) to protect United States citizens and legal
25 permanent residents living in Hong Kong as well as

1 people visiting and transiting through Hong Kong;
2 and

3 (9) to maintain the economic and cultural ties
4 that provide significant benefits to both the United
5 States and Hong Kong.

6 **SEC. 4. AMENDMENTS TO THE UNITED STATES-HONG KONG**
7 **POLICY ACT OF 1992.**

8 (a) CERTIFICATIONS.—Title II of the United States-
9 Hong Kong Policy Act of 1992 (22 U.S.C. 5721 et seq.)
10 is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

11 **“SEC. 205. SECRETARY OF STATE CERTIFICATION REGARD-**
12 **ING THE AUTONOMY OF HONG KONG.**

13 “(a) CERTIFICATION.—

14 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State
15 shall annually submit to the Committee on Foreign
16 Affairs of the House of Representatives and the
17 Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate a cer-
18 tification, in conjunction with, and taking into con-
19 sideration the contents of, the report required in sec-
20 tion 301, regarding whether Hong Kong continues
21 to warrant treatment under particular treaties,
22 international agreements, and United States laws, or
23 any provisions thereof, specified in paragraph (2) in
24 the same manner as such treaties, international

1 agreements, and laws were applied to Hong Kong as
2 of the date of enactment of this section.

3 “(2) PROVISIONS SPECIFIED.—The treaties,
4 international agreements, and United States laws
5 specified in this paragraph are the following:

6 “(A) Commercial agreements.

7 “(B) Law enforcement cooperation, includ-
8 ing extradition matters.

9 “(C) Nonproliferation commitments.

10 “(D) Sanctions enforcement.

11 “(E) Export control agreements, including
12 enforcement of export controls with respect to
13 dual use technologies.

14 “(F) Formal treaties and agreements be-
15 tween the United States and Hong Kong, in-
16 cluding agreements related to taxation and cur-
17 rency exchange.

18 “(G) Other particular laws of the United
19 States, or any provisions thereof, that accord to
20 Hong Kong treatment different to that ac-
21 corded to the People’s Republic of China.

22 “(H) Other bilateral or multilateral agree-
23 ments determined relevant by the Secretary.

24 “(3) CONTENTS.—Each assessment under para-
25 graph (1) shall include an evaluation of the Govern-

1 ment of Hong Kong’s autonomous decision-making
2 within the executive, legislative, and judicial
3 branches, with respect to—

4 “(A) upholding the rule of law; and

5 “(B) protecting the rights enumerated
6 in—

7 “(i) the Joint Declaration of the Gov-
8 ernment of the United Kingdom of Great
9 Britain and Northern Ireland and the Gov-
10 ernment of the People’s Republic of China
11 on the Question of Hong Kong, done at
12 Beijing December 19, 1984 (the ‘Joint
13 Declaration’);

14 “(ii) the Basic Law of the Hong Kong
15 Special Administrative Region of the Peo-
16 ple’s Republic of China (the ‘Basic Law’);

17 “(iii) the Universal Declaration of
18 Human Rights, done at Paris December
19 10, 1948; and

20 “(iv) the International Covenant on
21 Civil and Political Rights, done at New
22 York December 19, 1966.

23 “(4) FACTORS FOR CONSIDERATION.—In mak-
24 ing a certification under paragraph (1), the Sec-
25 retary of State should consider the terms, obliga-

1 tions, and expectations expressed in the Joint Dec-
2 laration and the Basic Law.

3 “(5) ADDITIONAL CERTIFICATIONS.—Notwith-
4 standing the annual requirement for certifications
5 under paragraph (1), the Secretary of State may
6 issue additional certifications at any time if the Sec-
7 retary determines that circumstances in Hong Kong
8 warrant such.

9 “(6) FORM.—Each certification under para-
10 graph (1) and any additional certifications under
11 paragraph (5) shall be submitted in unclassified
12 from but may include a classified annex if the Sec-
13 retary of State determines such is necessary.

14 “(b) WAIVER.—The Secretary of State may waive the
15 application of subsection (a), in whole or in part, if—

16 “(1) the Secretary determines that such a waiv-
17 er—

18 “(A) is in the national security interests of
19 the United States; or

20 “(B) would protect the autonomy of Hong
21 Kong; and

22 “(2) on or before the date on which such a
23 waiver takes effect, the Secretary notifies the Com-
24 mittee on Foreign Relations of the Senate and the

1 Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Rep-
2 resentatives of the intent to waive such subsection.

3 “(c) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The unclassified por-
4 tion of the certifications required under subsection (a)
5 shall be made available to the public, including through
6 publication on the Department of State website.”.

7 (b) VISA APPLICANTS.—Title II of the United States-
8 Hong Kong Policy Act of 1992 (22 U.S.C. 5721 et seq.),
9 as amended by subsection (a), is further amended by add-
10 ing at the end the following new section:

11 **“SEC. 206. TREATMENT OF HONG KONG APPLICANTS FOR**
12 **VISAS TO ENTER THE UNITED STATES.**

13 “It is the sense of Congress that applications for
14 visas to enter the United States, including for work or
15 study, which are submitted by otherwise qualified appli-
16 cants from Hong Kong should not be denied solely on the
17 basis of politically-motivated arrest, detention, or other
18 adverse government action taken against such applicants
19 as a result of the participation by such applicants in pro-
20 test activities, and that the Secretary of State should
21 make efforts to implement such policy, ensure consular of-
22 ficers make determinations in accordance with such policy,
23 and coordinate with representatives of other countries to
24 encourage the adoption of compatible policies.”.

1 (c) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—Subsection (a) of
2 section 301 of the United States-Hong Kong Policy Act
3 of 1992 (22 U.S.C. 5731) is amended—

4 (1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), in
5 the first sentence, by striking “2024” and inserting
6 “2027”;

7 (2) in paragraph (7), by striking “and” after
8 the semicolon at the end;

9 (3) in paragraph (8), by striking the period and
10 inserting “; and”; and

11 (4) by adding at the end the following new
12 paragraphs:

13 “(9) China’s ability to limit Hong Kong’s au-
14 tonomy with respect to the treaties, international
15 agreements, and United States laws specified in sec-
16 tion 205(a)(2) as result of actions by the Govern-
17 ment of the People’s Republic of China that are in-
18 consistent with its commitments under the Basic
19 Law or the Joint Declaration;

20 “(10) the limitations to Hong Kong’s autonomy
21 with respect to the treaties, international agree-
22 ments, and United States laws specified in section
23 205(a)(2) resulting from actions by the Government
24 of the Hong Kong Special Autonomous Region that

1 are inconsistent with its commitments under the
2 Basic Law or the Joint Declaration;

3 “(11) the specific impacts to any areas of co-
4 operation between the United States and Hong
5 Kong as a result of limits, whether self-imposed or
6 otherwise, to Hong Kong’s autonomy, including any
7 failures of the Hong Kong Government to fulfill obli-
8 gations with the United States under the treaties,
9 international agreements, and United States laws
10 specified in section 205(a)(2);

11 “(12) the specific actions taken by the United
12 States Government to mitigate the negative impact
13 to United States interests of limitations, whether
14 self-imposed or otherwise, to Hong Kong’s autonomy
15 or any failures to fulfill obligations with the United
16 States under the treaties, international agreements,
17 and United States laws specified in section
18 205(a)(2); and

19 “(13) whether the rescission of special treat-
20 ment under any particular treaties, international
21 agreements, or particular laws of the United States,
22 or any provisions thereof would contribute to further
23 erosion of Hong Kong’s autonomy.”.

1 **SEC. 5. REPORT ON ENFORCEMENT OF UNITED STATES EX-**
2 **PORT CONTROL AND SANCTIONS LAWS BY**
3 **HONG KONG.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
5 date of the enactment of this Act, the President shall
6 transmit to the committees specified in subsection (b) a
7 report that includes the following:

8 (1) An assessment of the policies and actions of
9 the Government of the Hong Kong Special Autono-
10 mous Region to enforce the Export Control Reform
11 Act of 2018 (subtitle B of title XVII of Public Law
12 115–232) and other relevant provisions of United
13 States law related to export controls.

14 (2) To the extent possible, an identification of
15 the following:

16 (A) Any items that were transferred from
17 Hong Kong in violation of such laws.

18 (B) The countries and persons to which
19 such items were transferred.

20 (C) How such items were used.

21 (3) An assessment of whether United States or-
22 igin items (including software, technology, and serv-
23 ices) have been transferred from Hong Kong to
24 China in violation of United States law and have
25 been used by China for mass surveillance, predictive
26 policing, or for the social credit system.

1 (4) An assessment of the policies and actions of
2 the Government of the Hong Kong Special Autono-
3 mous Region to enforce sanctions imposed by the
4 United States and the United Nations.

5 (5) A description of the types of goods and
6 services transshipped or reexported through Hong
7 Kong in violation of such sanctions to—

8 (A) North Korea or Iran; or

9 (B) other countries, regimes, or persons
10 subject to such sanctions for engaging in activi-
11 ties—

12 (i) relating to—

13 (I) international terrorism, inter-
14 national narcotics trafficking, or the
15 proliferation of weapons of mass de-
16 struction; or

17 (II) corruption and violations of
18 human rights; or

19 (ii) that otherwise present a threat to
20 the national security, foreign policy, or
21 economy of the United States.

22 (b) COMMITTEES SPECIFIED.—The committees spec-
23 ified in this subsection are the following:

24 (1) The Committee on Foreign Relations of the
25 Senate.

1 (2) The Committee on Banking, Housing, and
2 Urban Affairs of the Senate.

3 (3) The Committee on Foreign Affairs of the
4 House of Representatives.

5 (4) The Committee on Financial Services of the
6 House of Representatives.

7 (c) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required under
8 subsection (a) shall be transmitted in unclassified form,
9 but may include a classified annex.

10 **SEC. 6. PROTECTING UNITED STATES INTERESTS WITH RE-**
11 **SPECT TO HONG KONG.**

12 (a) POLICY STATEMENTS.—It is the policy to the
13 United States—

14 (1) to safeguard United States citizens and law-
15 ful permanent residents from extradition, rendition,
16 or abduction to China from Hong Kong for trial, de-
17 tention, or any other purpose;

18 (2) to safeguard United States businesses in
19 Hong Kong from economic coercion and intellectual
20 property theft;

21 (3) pursuant to section 103(7) of the United
22 States-Hong Kong Policy Act of 1992 (22 U.S.C.
23 5713(7)), to encourage United States businesses “to
24 continue to operate in Hong Kong in accordance

1 with applicable United States and Hong Kong law”;
2 and

3 (4) pursuant to section 201(b) of such Act (22
4 U.S.C. 5721(b)), to evaluate as circumstances re-
5 quire the Government of Hong Kong is “legally com-
6 petent to carry out its obligations” under treaties
7 and international agreements established between
8 the United States and Hong Kong.

9 (b) NOTIFICATION TO CONGRESS.—

10 (1) DETERMINATION.—The Secretary of State
11 shall, with respect to any legislation proposed or en-
12 acted by the Government of Hong Kong, determine,
13 not later than 30 days after such legislation is pro-
14 posed or enacted, if such proposed or enacted legis-
15 lation would—

16 (A) put United States citizens or lawful
17 permanent residents at risk for rendition to
18 China or other countries with which the United
19 States Government does not have an extradition
20 agreement; or

21 (B) otherwise have a significant negative
22 impact on United States interests with respect
23 to Hong Kong.

24 (2) NOTIFICATION.—If the Secretary of State
25 makes a determination in the affirmative under

1 paragraph (1), the Secretary shall submit to the ap-
2 propriate congressional committees a notification re-
3 lating thereto that includes the following:

4 (A) An assessment of the potential risks of
5 the proposed or enacted legislation described in
6 such paragraph to United States national inter-
7 ests, including risks to United States citizens or
8 lawful permanent residents residing in, trav-
9 eling to, or transiting through Hong Kong.

10 (B) A strategy for protecting United
11 States interests in Hong Kong with respect to
12 the proposed or enacted legislation described in
13 such paragraph.

14 **SEC. 7. SANCTIONS RELATING TO UNDERMINING FUNDA-**
15 **MENTAL FREEDOMS AND AUTONOMY IN**
16 **HONG KONG.**

17 (a) IDENTIFICATION OF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR
18 UNDERMINING FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS AND AUTON-
19 OMY IN HONG KONG.—

20 (1) IN GENERAL.—The President shall transmit
21 to the appropriate congressional committees a re-
22 port, in accordance with paragraph (2), that identi-
23 fies each foreign person that the President deter-
24 mines, based on credible information, is knowingly
25 responsible for any of the following:

1 (A) The actual or threatened rendition, ar-
2 bitrary detention, torture, or forced confession
3 of any individual in Hong Kong.

4 (B) Repeated acts or decisions which con-
5 travene the shared obligations of China and
6 Hong Kong under the Joint Declaration and
7 Basic Law and undermine the national interests
8 of the United States in Hong Kong's autonomy
9 and the rule of law.

10 (C) Other gross violations of internation-
11 ally recognized human rights in Hong Kong.

12 (2) TIMING OF REPORTS.—The President shall
13 transmit—

14 (A) the report required under paragraph
15 (1)—

16 (i) not later than 180 days after the
17 date of the enactment of this Act; and

18 (ii) not less frequently than annually
19 thereafter in conjunction with the publica-
20 tion of the report required under section
21 301 of the United States-Hong Kong Pol-
22 icy Act of 1992 (22 U.S.C. 5731); and

23 (B) an update to the report required under
24 paragraph (1) not later than 15 days after any

1 new credible information described in such
2 paragraph becomes available.

3 (3) CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN INFORMA-
4 TION.—In preparing the report required under para-
5 graph (1), the President shall consider the following:

6 (A) Information provided jointly by the
7 chairperson and ranking member of each of the
8 appropriate congressional committees.

9 (B) Credible information obtained by other
10 countries or nongovernmental organizations
11 that monitor violations of human rights abuses.

12 (4) FORM.—The report required under para-
13 graph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but
14 may include a classified annex.

15 (b) IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS.—The President shall
16 impose the sanctions described in subsection (c) with re-
17 spect to each foreign person identified in the report re-
18 quired under subsection (a)(1).

19 (c) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—The sanctions de-
20 scribed in this subsection are the following:

21 (1) ASSET BLOCKING.—The President shall ex-
22 ercise all of the powers granted to the President
23 under the International Emergency Economic Pow-
24 ers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) to the extent nec-
25 essary to block and prohibit all transactions in prop-

erty and interests in property of a foreign person identified in the report required under subsection (a)(1) if such property and interests in property are in the United States, come within the United States, or come within the possession or control of a United States person.

(2) INELIGIBILITY FOR VISAS, ADMISSION, OR PAROLE.—

(A) VISAS, ADMISSION, OR PAROLE.—A foreign person described in subsection (a)(1) and his or her immediate family members is—

(i) inadmissible to the United States;

(ii) ineligible to receive a visa or other documentation to enter the United States; and

(iii) otherwise ineligible to be admitted or paroled into the United States or to receive any other benefit under the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101 et seq.).

(B) CURRENT VISAS REVOKED.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—A foreign person described in subsection (a)(1) is subject to revocation of any visa or other entry documentation regardless of when the visa or

1 other entry documentation is or was
2 issued.

3 (ii) IMMEDIATE EFFECT.—A revoca-
4 tion under clause (i) shall—

5 (I) take effect immediately; and

6 (II) automatically cancel any
7 other valid visa or entry documenta-
8 tion that is in the alien's possession.

9 (C) EXCEPTION TO COMPLY WITH INTER-
10 NATIONAL OBLIGATIONS.—Sanctions under this
11 paragraph shall not apply with respect to a for-
12 eign person if admitting or paroling such per-
13 son into the United States is necessary to per-
14 mit the United States to comply with the
15 Agreement regarding the Headquarters of the
16 United Nations, signed at Lake Success June
17 26, 1947, and entered into force November 21,
18 1947, between the United Nations and the
19 United States, or other applicable international
20 obligations.

21 (3) PENALTIES.—The penalties provided for in
22 subsections (b) and (c) of section 206 of the Inter-
23 national Emergency Economic Powers Act (50
24 U.S.C. 1705) shall apply to a foreign person that
25 violates, attempts to violate, conspires to violate, or

1 causes a violation of paragraph (1) to the same ex-
2 tent that such penalties apply to a person that com-
3 mits an unlawful act described in subsection (a) of
4 such section 206.

5 (d) IMPLEMENTATION.—The President may exercise
6 all authorities provided under sections 203 and 205 of the
7 International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50
8 U.S.C. 1702 and 1704) to carry out this section.

9 (e) WAIVER.—The President may waive the applica-
10 tion of sanctions under this section with respect to a for-
11 eign person identified in the report required under sub-
12 section (a)(1) if the President determines and certifies to
13 the appropriate congressional committees that such a
14 waiver is in the national interest of the United States.

15 (f) TERMINATION OF SANCTIONS.—The President
16 may terminate the application of sanctions under this sec-
17 tion with respect to a foreign person if the President deter-
18 mines and reports to the appropriate congressional com-
19 mittees not less than 15 days before such termination
20 takes effect that—

21 (1) credible information exists that such person
22 did not engage in the activity for which sanctions
23 were imposed;

1 (2) such person has been prosecuted appro-
2 priately for the activity for which sanctions were im-
3 posed;

4 (3) such person has credibly demonstrated a
5 significant change in behavior, has paid an appro-
6 priate consequence for the activity for which sanc-
7 tions were imposed, and has credibly committed to
8 not engage in an activity described in subsection
9 (a)(1) in the future; or

10 (4) the termination of the sanctions is in the
11 national security interests of the United States.

12 (g) EXCEPTION RELATING TO THE IMPORTATION OF
13 GOODS.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—The authorities and require-
15 ments to impose sanctions under this section shall
16 not include the authority or requirement to impose
17 sanctions on the importation of goods.

18 (2) GOOD DEFINED.—In this subsection, the
19 term “good” means any article, natural or man-
20 made substance, material, supply or manufactured
21 product, including inspection and test equipment,
22 and excluding technical data.

23 (h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1 (1) ADMITTED.—The term “admitted” has the
2 meanings given such term in section 101 of the Im-
3 migration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101).

4 (2) FOREIGN PERSON.—The term “foreign per-
5 son” means a person that is not a United States
6 person.

7 (3) KNOWINGLY.—The term “knowingly”
8 means, with respect to conduct, a circumstance, or
9 a result, means that a person has actual knowledge,
10 or should have known, of the conduct, the cir-
11 cumstance, or the result.

12 (4) PERSON.—The term “person” means an in-
13 dividual or entity.

14 (5) UNITED STATES PERSON.—The term
15 “United States person” means—

16 (A) a United States citizen or an alien law-
17 fully admitted for permanent residence to the
18 United States; or

19 (B) an entity organized under the laws of
20 the United States or any jurisdiction within the
21 United States, including a foreign branch of
22 such an entity.

1 **SEC. 8. SANCTIONS REPORTS.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—The President shall transmit to
3 the appropriate congressional committees a report that in-
4 cludes the following:

5 (1) A list of each foreign person with respect to
6 which the President imposed sanctions under section
7 7 during the year preceding the transmission of such
8 report.

9 (2) A description of the type of sanctions im-
10 posed with respect to each such person.

11 (3) The number of foreign persons with respect
12 to which the President terminated such sanctions
13 during such year.

14 (4) The dates on which such sanctions were im-
15 posed or terminated, as applicable.

16 (5) The reasons for imposing or terminating
17 such sanctions.

18 (6) A description of the efforts of the President
19 to encourage the governments of other countries to
20 impose sanctions that are similar to such sanctions.

21 (b) FORM.—The report required under subsection (a)
22 shall be transmitted in unclassified form but may contain
23 a classified annex.

24 (c) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The unclassified portion
25 of the report required under subsection (a) shall be made

1 available to the public, including through publication in
2 the Federal Register.

3 (d) NONAPPLICABILITY OF CONFIDENTIALITY RE-
4 QUIREMENT WITH RESPECT TO VISA RECORDS.—The
5 President shall publish the report required under sub-
6 section (a) without regard to the requirements of section
7 222(f) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
8 1202(f)) with respect to confidentiality of records per-
9 taining to the issuance or refusal of visas or permits to
10 enter the United States.

11 **SEC. 9. DETERMINATION OF BUDGETARY EFFECTS.**

12 The budgetary effects of this Act, for the purpose of
13 complying with the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010,
14 shall be determined by reference to the latest statement
15 titled “Budgetary Effects of PAYGO Legislation” for this
16 Act, submitted for printing in the Congressional Record
17 by the Chairman of the House Budget Committee, pro-
18 vided that such statement has been submitted prior to the
19 vote on passage.

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