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H. R. 4362

To prioritize the international distribution of COVID-19 vaccine doses, and
for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GIMENEZ (for himself, Ms. SALAZAR, and Mr. DIAZ-BALART) introduced
the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

A BILL

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vaccine doses, 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.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Curbing China’s Vac-
5 cine Diplomacy Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PRIORITIZATION OF INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBUTION OF COVID-19 VACCINE DOSES.**

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8 (a) PRIORITIZATION.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out the inter-
10 national distribution of COVID-19 vaccine doses, the

1 Secretary of State shall prioritize such distribution
2 to Taiwan and crucial Latin American allies.

3 (2) TIMING.—The Secretary of State may not
4 carry out this section until such time as the certifi-
5 cation described in subsection (d) has been trans-
6 mitted.

7 (b) RESERVATION.—The Secretary of State shall en-
8 sure that of the total number of COVID-19 vaccine doses
9 intended for international distribution, not less than 25
10 percent of such doses are reserved for and distributed to
11 Taiwan and crucial Latin American allies.

12 (c) PROHIBITION.—The Secretary of State may not
13 distribute internationally to any recipient or country any
14 COVID-19 vaccine doses until Taiwan and crucial Latin
15 American allies have each received at least a first ship-
16 ment of the reservation specified in subsection (b).

17 (d) CERTIFICATION.—Not later than 10 days after
18 the Administration determines all Americans have been af-
19 forded ample opportunity to be fully vaccinated against
20 COVID-19, the Administration shall transmit to Congress
21 a certification so attesting.

22 (e) EXCEPTION.—The Secretary of State may not
23 distribute COVID-19 vaccine does under this section to
24 any country the government (or related governmental enti-
25 ty) of which has been determined to have engaged in sys-

1 temic or widespread human rights abuses in accordance
2 with the Department of State’s most recent Country Re-
3 ports on Human Rights Practices.

4 (f) SUNSET.—This section shall terminate five days
5 after the date on which the Secretary of State makes a
6 determination that Taiwan and crucial Latin American al-
7 lies each have achieved 40 percent vaccination rates of
8 their respective populations.

9 (g) DEFINITION.—The term “crucial Latin American
10 allies” means those countries in Latin America determined
11 by the Secretary of State to have deep diplomatic, mili-
12 tary, or cultural ties with the United States.

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