

109TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 505

To prohibit assistance to Saudi Arabia.

---

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 1, 2005

Mr. WEINER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

---

## A BILL

To prohibit assistance to Saudi Arabia.

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 “Prohibit Aid to Saudi  
5 Arabia Act of 2005”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

8 (1) More than 50 percent of the funding for  
9 Hamas, a Palestinian terrorist organization, comes  
10 from Saudi Arabia.

1           (2) In its June 2004 report entitled “Update on  
2           the Global Campaign Against Terrorist Financing”,  
3           the Council on Foreign Relations reported that “We  
4           find it regrettable and unacceptable that since Sep-  
5           tember 11, 2001, we know of not a single Saudi  
6           donor of funds to terrorist groups who has been  
7           publicly punished.”.

8           (3) Abu Zubaydah, an al Qaeda operative, ad-  
9           mitted to his American interrogators that al Qaeda  
10          had struck a deal with the Saudi Royal Family to  
11          desist from violence in exchange for Saudi financing.

12          (4) On May 29, 2004, Saudi security forces al-  
13          lowed 16 kidnappers to escape at a residential com-  
14          pound in Khobar, Saudi Arabia, after killing 16  
15          westerners.

16          (5) Al Qaeda terrorists who kidnapped and  
17          killed American contractor Paul Johnson used offi-  
18          cial police uniforms and vehicles received from sym-  
19          pathetic Saudi police officials.

20          (6) Saudi Arabia denied United States officials  
21          access to several suspects in the custody of the Gov-  
22          ernment of Saudi Arabia, including a Saudi Arabian  
23          citizen in detention for months who had knowledge  
24          of extensive plans to inject poison gas in the New  
25          York City subway system.

1           (7) The Saudi Royal Family has provided cash  
2           payments in the amount of \$5,333 to each family of  
3           “martyrs” killed while trying to murder Israelis.

4           (8) Saudi Arabia is the center of Wahhabism,  
5           the ultra-purist, jihadist form of Islam followed by  
6           members of Al Qaeda.

7           (9) In November 2004, 26 leading Saudi  
8           Wahhabi clerics publicly incited the Iraqi people to  
9           fight against United States Armed Forces in Iraq.

10          (10) The Saudi Royal Family has wholly or  
11          partly funded 210 Islamic Centers, 1,500 mosques,  
12          202 colleges, and 2,000 schools in countries without  
13          Muslim majorities.

14          (11) The United States Commission on Inter-  
15          national Religious Freedom has reported that Saudi  
16          Arabian Government-funded textbooks used both in  
17          Saudi Arabia and also in North American Islamic  
18          schools and mosques have been found to encourage  
19          incitement to violence against non-Muslims.

20          (12) Khaled bin Ouda bin Mohammed al-  
21          Harby, the terrorist who is linked to Osama bin  
22          Laden and the terrorist attacks against the United  
23          States that occurred on September 11, 2001, re-  
24          turned to Saudi Arabia under an amnesty program

1 in June 2004, and remains in that country, a free  
2 man.

3 (13) In March 2004, a group of Saudi reform-  
4 ers calling for a constitutional monarchy were im-  
5 prisoned and are still awaiting trial.

6 (14) In September 2004, the Government of  
7 Saudi Arabia issued an edict banning most working  
8 Saudis from questioning the policies of the Saudi  
9 Arabian Government.

10 (15) The Government of Saudi Arabia has  
11 sought to acquire nuclear weaponry from Pakistan.

12 **SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON FUNDING FOR SAUDI ARABIA.**

13 No funds appropriated or otherwise made available  
14 pursuant to an Act making appropriations for foreign op-  
15 erations, export financing, and related programs may be  
16 obligated or expended to finance directly any assistance  
17 or reparations to Saudi Arabia. For purposes of the pre-  
18 ceding sentence, the prohibition on obligations or expendi-  
19 tures shall include direct loans, credits, insurance, and  
20 guarantees of the Export-Import Bank of the United  
21 States or its agents.

○