

(1) SECURITY CLEARANCES.—Section 7601(c) of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 (50 U.S.C. 435b note) is amended—

(A) by striking paragraph (1) and inserting: “(1) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term ‘eligible candidate’ has the meaning given such term by section 3(h)(4) of the Presidential Transition Act of 1963 (3 U.S.C. 102 note).”, and

(B) by striking “major party candidate” in paragraph (2) and inserting “eligible candidate”.

(2) PRESIDENTIALLY APPOINTED POSITIONS.—Section 8403(b)(2)(B) of such Act (5 U.S.C. 1101 note) is amended to read as follows:

“(B) OTHER CANDIDATES.—After making transmittals under subparagraph (A), the Office of Personnel Management shall transmit such electronic record to any other candidate for President who is an eligible candidate described in section 3(h)(4)(B) of the Presidential Transition Act of 1963 (3 U.S.C. 102 note) and may transmit such electronic record to any other candidate for President.”.

(d) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 3 of the Presidential Transition Act of 1963 (3 U.S.C. 102 note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)(8)(B), by striking “President-elect” and inserting “President-elect or eligible candidate (as defined in subsection (h)(4)) for President”; and

(2) in subsection (e), by inserting “, or eligible candidate (as defined in subsection (h)(4)) for President or Vice-President,” before “may designate”.

SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF TRANSITION ACTIVITIES BY THE INCUMBENT ADMINISTRATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The President of the United States, or the President's delegate, may take such actions as the President determines necessary and appropriate to plan and coordinate activities by the Executive branch of the Federal Government to facilitate an efficient transfer of power to a successor President, including—

(1) the establishment and operation of a transition coordinating council comprised of—

(A) high-level officials of the Executive branch selected by the President, which may include the Chief of Staff to the President, any Cabinet officer, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, the Administrator of the General Services Administration, the Director of the Office of Personnel Management, the Director of the Office of Government Ethics, and the Archivist of the United States; and

(B) any other persons the President determines appropriate;

(2) the establishment and operation of an agency transition directors council which includes career employees designated to lead transition efforts within Executive Departments or agencies;

(3) the development of guidance to Executive Departments and agencies regarding briefing materials for an incoming administration, and the development of such materials; and

(4) the development of computer software, publications, contingency plans, issue memoranda, memoranda of understanding, training and exercises (including crisis training and exercises), programs, lessons learned from previous transitions, and other items appropriate for improving the effectiveness and efficiency of a Presidential transition that may be disseminated to eligible candidates (as defined in section 3(h)(4) of the Presidential Transition Act of 1963, as added by section 2(a)) and to the President-elect and Vice-President-elect.

Any information and other assistance to eligible candidates under this subsection shall

be offered on an equal basis and without regard to political affiliation.

(b) REPORTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The President of the United States, or the President's delegate, shall provide to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate reports describing the activities undertaken by the President and the Executive Departments and agencies to prepare for the transfer of power to a new President.

(2) TIMING.—The reports under paragraph (1) shall be provided six months and three months before the date of the general election for the Office of President of the United States.

SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentlewoman from California (Ms. CHU) and the gentleman from California (Mr. BILBRAY) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from California.

GENERAL LEAVE

Ms. CHU. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from California?

There was no objection.

Ms. CHU. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I rise in strong support of Senate Bill 3196, the Pre-Election Presidential Transition Act of 2010. This bipartisan legislation makes important improvements to the Presidential Transition Act of 1963 to better equip qualified candidates to prepare, and prepare earlier, for the all-too-short process of transitioning from running a campaign to running the executive branch of the United States.

As the non-partisan Partnership for Public Service has warned, “Given the complexity and urgency of issues facing an incoming administration in a post-9/11 world, we need our president and his senior leadership to be ready to govern on day one. An effective transition relies on advance preparation and skillful execution, not hope and luck.”

S. 3196 takes important steps to help future Presidents with the transition process, and therefore helps them to navigate and prepare for governing in an increasingly complex world.

The Pre-Election Presidential Transition Act will make the decision to undertake transition planning easier by providing resources to qualified candidates. The bill requires GSA to offer each candidate an array of services promptly upon nomination, including fully equipped office space, communication services, briefings, and training. Candidates will also be authorized to establish a separate 501(c)(4) fund to cover transition-related expenses or to supplement GSA's services.

The bill also authorizes the appropriation of funds for use by the outgoing Administration to plan and coordinate activities to facilitate an efficient transfer of power. This follows the model put in place by the Bush Administration,

which facilitated a highly efficient and effective transition.

S. 3196 encourages presidential candidates to take steps that are necessary to effectively protect national and homeland security during the transition period, and I want to thank Senator KAUFMAN for his leadership on this important issue. I encourage all Members to support this important bill.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. BILBRAY. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, when we look at this bill, we have got to think about what if 9/11 had happened 6 months before or 9 months before. And what if on Inauguration Day terrorists decided that is the time that America's leadership would be the weakest, that how could they really cause havoc not just with an attack but be able to catch America when its political leadership was at its weakest point. I think this bill is trying to make sure we avoid that vulnerability.

It is still a threat I think we must still be concerned about, but I think this helps to address the potential gap that exists today, and hopefully we'll close that gap to make sure that we tighten up the process and make it more outcome-based, and basically reflecting the fact that Washington gets it that the world is changing and we need to change too. We need to improve. Just because this is the way Washington has done something, it doesn't mean that is the way we should not only do it in the future. But it is not only that we can't do it in the future; we can't afford to do it in the future. If we are going to uphold our responsibility to defend this country, to serve this country, then we not only have the right to change our procedures; we have the responsibility to make these changes. I think this bill fulfills that responsibility in a very small manner, but it could be very important.

I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. CHU. I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from California (Ms. CHU) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, S. 3196.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. BILBRAY. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

SECURITY COOPERATION ACT OF 2010

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill

(S. 3847) to implement certain defense trade cooperation treaties, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

S. 3847

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Security Cooperation Act of 2010”.

TITLE I—DEFENSE TRADE COOPERATION TREATIES

SEC. 101. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the “Defense Trade Cooperation Treaties Implementation Act of 2010”.

SEC. 102. EXEMPTIONS FROM REQUIREMENTS.

(a) **RETRANSFER REQUIREMENTS.**—Section 3(b) of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2753(b)) is amended by inserting “a treaty referred to in section 38(j)(1)(C)(i) of this Act permits such transfer without prior consent of the President, or if” after “if”.

(b) **BILATERAL AGREEMENT REQUIREMENTS.**—Section 38(j)(1) of such Act (22 U.S.C. 2778(j)(1)) is amended—

(1) in the subparagraph heading for subparagraph (B), by inserting “FOR CANADA” after “EXCEPTION”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

“(C) EXCEPTION FOR DEFENSE TRADE COOPERATION TREATIES.—

“(i) **IN GENERAL.**—The requirement to conclude a bilateral agreement in accordance with subparagraph (A) shall not apply with respect to an exemption from the licensing requirements of this Act for the export of defense items to give effect to any of the following defense trade cooperation treaties, provided that the treaty has entered into force pursuant to article II, section 2, clause 2 of the Constitution of the United States:

“(I) The Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Concerning Defense Trade Cooperation, done at Washington and London on June 21 and 26, 2007 (and any implementing arrangement thereto).

“(II) The Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Australia Concerning Defense Trade Cooperation, done at Sydney September 5, 2007 (and any implementing arrangement thereto).

“(ii) **LIMITATION OF SCOPE.**—The United States shall exempt from the scope of a treaty referred to in clause (i)—

“(I) complete rocket systems (including ballistic missile systems, space launch vehicles, and sounding rockets) or complete unmanned aerial vehicle systems (including cruise missile systems, target drones, and reconnaissance drones) capable of delivering at least a 500 kilogram payload to a range of 300 kilometers, and associated production facilities, software, or technology for these systems, as defined in the Missile Technology Control Regime Annex Category I, Item 1;

“(II) individual rocket stages, re-entry vehicles and equipment, solid or liquid propellant motors or engines, guidance sets, thrust vector control systems, and associated production facilities, software, and technology, as defined in the Missile Technology Control Regime Annex Category I, Item 2;

“(III) defense articles and defense services listed in the Missile Technology Control Regime Annex Category II that are for use in rocket systems, as that term is used in such Annex, including associated production facilities, software, or technology;

“(IV) toxicological agents, biological agents, and associated equipment, as listed in the United States Munitions List (part 121.1 of chapter I of title 22, Code of Federal Regulations), Category XIV, subcategories (a), (b), (f)(1), (i), (j) as it pertains to (f)(1), (l) as it pertains to (f)(1), and (m) as it pertains to all of the subcategories cited in this paragraph;

“(V) defense articles and defense services specific to the design and testing of nuclear weapons which are controlled under United States Munitions List Category XVI(a) and (b), along with associated defense articles in Category XVI(d) and technology in Category XVI(e);

“(VI) with regard to the treaty cited in clause (i)(I), defense articles and defense services that the United States controls under the United States Munitions List that are not controlled by the United Kingdom, as defined in the United Kingdom Military List or Annex 4 to the United Kingdom Dual Use List, or any successor lists thereto; and

“(VII) with regard to the treaty cited in clause (i)(II), defense articles for which Australian laws, regulations, or other commitments would prevent Australia from enforcing the control measures specified in such treaty.”.

SEC. 103. ENFORCEMENT.

(a) **CRIMINAL VIOLATIONS.**—Section 38(c) of such Act (22 U.S.C. 2778(c)) is amended by striking “this section or section 39, or any rule or regulation issued under either section” and inserting “this section, section 39, a treaty referred to in subsection (j)(1)(C)(i), or any rule or regulation issued under this section or section 39, including any rule or regulation issued to implement or enforce a treaty referred to in subsection (j)(1)(C)(i) or an implementing arrangement pursuant to such treaty”.

(b) **ENFORCEMENT POWERS OF PRESIDENT.**—Section 38(e) of such Act (22 U.S.C. 2778(e)) is amended by striking “defense services,” and inserting “defense services, including defense articles and defense services exported or imported pursuant to a treaty referred to in subsection (j)(1)(C)(i).”.

(c) **NOTIFICATION REGARDING EXEMPTIONS FROM LICENSING REQUIREMENTS.**—Section 38(f) of such Act (22 U.S.C. 2778(f)) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(4) Paragraph (2) shall not apply with respect to an exemption under subsection (j)(1) to give effect to a treaty referred to in subsection (j)(1)(C)(i) (and any implementing arrangements to such treaty), provided that the President promulgates regulations to implement and enforce such treaty under this section and section 39.”.

(d) **INCENTIVE PAYMENTS.**—Section 39A(a) of such Act (22 U.S.C. 2779a(a)) is amended by inserting “or exported pursuant to a treaty referred to in section 38(j)(1)(C)(i) of this Act” after “under this Act”.

SEC. 104. CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION.

(a) **RETRANSFERS AND REEXPORTS.**—Section 3(d)(3)(A) of such Act (22 U.S.C. 2753(d)(3)(A)) is amended by inserting “or has been exempted from the licensing requirements of this Act pursuant to a treaty referred to in section 38(j)(1)(C)(i) of this Act where such treaty does not authorize the transfer without prior United States Government approval” after “approved under section 38 of this Act”.

(b) **DISCRIMINATION.**—Section 5(c) of such Act (22 U.S.C. 2755(c)) is amended by inserting “or any import or export under a treaty referred to in section 38(j)(1)(C)(i) of this Act” after “under this Act”.

(c) **ANNUAL ESTIMATE OF SALES.**—Section 25(a) of such Act (22 U.S.C. 2765(a)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by inserting “, as well as exports pursuant to a treaty referred to in section 38(j)(1)(C)(i) of this Act,” after “commercial exports under this Act”; and

(2) in paragraph (2), by inserting “, as well as exports pursuant to a treaty referred to in section 38(j)(1)(C)(i) of this Act,” after “commercial exports”.

(d) PRESIDENTIAL CERTIFICATIONS.—

(1) **EXPORTS.**—Section 36(c) of such Act (22 U.S.C. 2776(c)) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(6) The President shall notify the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate at least 15 days prior to an export pursuant to a treaty referred to in section 38(j)(1)(C)(i) of this Act to which the provisions of paragraph (1) of this subsection would apply absent an exemption granted under section 38(j)(1) of this Act, for which purpose such notification shall contain information comparable to that specified in paragraph (1) of this subsection.”.

(2) **COMMERCIAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE OR MANUFACTURING LICENSING AGREEMENTS.**—Section 36(d) of such Act (22 U.S.C. 2776(d)) is amended by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(6) The President shall notify the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate at least 15 days prior to an export pursuant to a treaty referred to in section 38(j)(1)(C)(i) of this Act to which the provisions of paragraph (1) of this subsection would apply absent an exemption granted under section 38(j)(1) of this Act, for which purpose such notification shall contain information comparable to that specified in paragraph (1) of this subsection.”.

(e) **FEES AND POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS.**—Section 39(a) of such Act (22 U.S.C. 2779(a)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1), by striking “; or” and inserting a semicolon;

(2) in paragraph (2), by inserting “or” after the semicolon; and

(3) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(3) exports of defense articles or defense services pursuant to a treaty referenced in section 38(j)(1)(C)(i) of this Act;”.

SEC. 105. LIMITATION ON IMPLEMENTING ARRANGEMENTS.

(a) **IN GENERAL.**—No amendment to an implementing arrangement concluded pursuant to a treaty referred to in section 38(j)(1)(C)(i) of the Arms Export Control Act, as added by this Act, shall enter into effect for the United States unless the Congress adopts, and there is enacted, legislation approving the entry into effect of that amendment for the United States.

(b) COVERED AMENDMENTS.—

(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The requirements specified in subsection (a) shall apply to any amendment other than an amendment that addresses an administrative or technical matter. The requirements in subsection (a) shall not apply to any amendment that solely addresses an administrative or technical matter.

(2) **U.S.-UK IMPLEMENTING ARRANGEMENT.**—In the case of the Implementing Arrangement Pursuant to the Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Concerning Defense Trade Cooperation, signed at Washington February 14, 2008, amendments to which the requirements specified in subsection (a) apply shall include—

(A) any amendment to section 2, paragraphs (1), (2), or (3) that modifies the criteria governing operations, programs, and projects to which the treaty applies;

(B) any amendment to section 3, paragraphs (1) or (2) that modifies the criteria governing end-use requirements and the requirements for approved community members responding to United States Government solicitations;

(C) any amendment to section 4, paragraph (4) that modifies the criteria for including items on the list of defense articles exempt from the treaty;

(D) any amendment to section 4, paragraph (7) that modifies licensing and other applicable requirements relating to items added to the list of defense articles exempt from the scope of the treaty;

(E) any amendment to section 7, paragraph (4) that modifies the criteria for eligibility in the approved community under the treaty for nongovernmental United Kingdom entities and facilities;

(F) any amendment to section 7, paragraph (9) that modifies the conditions for suspending or removing a United Kingdom entity from the approved community under the treaty;

(G) any amendment to section 7, paragraphs (11) or (12) that modifies the conditions under which individuals may be granted access to defense articles exported under the treaty;

(H) any amendment to section 9, paragraphs (1), (3), (7), (8), (9), (12), or (13) that modifies the circumstances under which United States Government approval is required for the re-transfer or re-export of a defense article, or to exceptions to such requirement; and

(I) any amendment to section 11, paragraph (4)(b) that modifies conditions of entry to the United Kingdom community under the treaty.

(3) **U.S.-AUSTRALIA IMPLEMENTING ARRANGEMENT.**—In the case of the Implementing Arrangement Pursuant to the Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Australia Concerning Defense Trade Cooperation, signed at Washington March 14, 2008, amendments to which the requirements specified in subsection (a) apply shall include—

(A) any amendment to section 2, paragraphs (1), (2), or (3) that modifies the criteria governing operations, programs, and projects to which the treaty applies;

(B) any amendment to section 3, paragraphs (1) or (2) that modifies the criteria governing end-use requirements and the requirements for approved community members responding to United States Government solicitations;

(C) any amendment to section 4, paragraph (4) that modifies criteria for including items on the list of defense articles exempt from the scope of the treaty;

(D) any amendment to section 4, paragraph (7) that modifies licensing and other applicable requirements relating to items added to the list of defense articles exempt from the scope of the treaty;

(E) any amendment to section 6, paragraph (4) that modifies the criteria for eligibility in the approved community under the treaty for nongovernmental Australian entities and facilities;

(F) any amendment to section 6, paragraph (9) that modifies the conditions for suspending or removing an Australian entity from the Australia community under the treaty;

(G) any amendment to section 6, paragraphs (11), (12), (13), or (14) that modifies the conditions under which individuals may be granted access to defense articles exported under the treaty;

(H) any amendment to section 9, paragraphs (1), (2), (4), (7), or (8) that modifies the circumstances under which United States

Government approval is required for the re-transfer or re-export of a defense article, or to exceptions to such requirement; and

(I) any amendment to section 11, paragraph (6) that modifies conditions of entry to the Australian community under the treaty.

(c) **CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION FOR OTHER AMENDMENTS TO IMPLEMENTING ARRANGEMENTS.**—Not later than 15 days before any amendment to an implementing arrangement to which subsection (a) does not apply shall take effect, the President shall provide to the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives a report containing—

(1) the text of the amendment; and

(2) an analysis of the amendment's effect, including an analysis regarding why subsection (a) does not apply.

SEC. 106. IMPLEMENTING REGULATIONS.

The President is authorized to issue regulations pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.) to implement and enforce the Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Concerning Defense Trade Cooperation, done at Washington and London on June 21 and 26, 2007 (and any implementing arrangement thereto) and the Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Australia Concerning Defense Trade Cooperation, done at Sydney, September 5, 2007 (and any implementing arrangement thereto), consistent with other applicable provisions of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended by this Act, and with the terms of any resolution of advice and consent adopted by the Senate with respect to either treaty.

SEC. 107. RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.

Nothing in this title, the Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland Concerning Defense Trade Cooperation, done at Washington and London on June 21 and 26, 2007 (and any implementing arrangement thereto), the Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Australia Concerning Defense Trade Cooperation, done at Sydney, September 5, 2007 (and any implementing arrangement thereto), or in any regulation issued to implement either treaty, shall be construed to modify or supersede any provision of law or regulation other than the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.), as amended by this Act, and the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (subchapter M of chapter I of title 22, Code of Federal Regulations).

TITLE II—AUTHORITY TO TRANSFER NAVAL VESSELS

SEC. 201. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the “Naval Vessel Transfer Act of 2010”.

SEC. 202. TRANSFER OF NAVAL VESSELS TO CERTAIN FOREIGN RECIPIENTS.

(a) **TRANSFERS BY GRANT.**—The President is authorized to transfer vessels to foreign countries on a grant basis under section 516 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2321j), as follows:

(1) **INDIA.**—To the Government of India, the OSPREY class minehunter coastal ships KINGFISHER (MHC-56) and CORMORANT (MHC-57).

(2) **GREECE.**—To the Government of Greece, the OSPREY class minehunter coastal ships OSPREY (MHC-51), BLACKHAWK (MHC-58), and SHRIKE (MHC-62).

(3) **CHILE.**—To the Government of Chile, the NEWPORT class amphibious tank landing ship TUSCALOOSA (LST-1187).

(4) **MOROCCO.**—To the Government of Morocco, the NEWPORT class amphibious tank landing ship BOULDER (LST-1190).

(b) **TRANSFER BY SALE.**—The President is authorized to transfer the OSPREY class minehunter coastal ship ROBIN (MHC-54) to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office of the United States (which is the Taiwan instrumentality designated pursuant to section 10(a) of the Taiwan Relations Act (22 U.S.C. 3309(a)) on a sale basis under section 21 of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2761).

(c) **GRANTS NOT COUNTED IN ANNUAL TOTAL OF TRANSFERRED EXCESS DEFENSE ARTICLES.**—The value of a vessel transferred to another country on a grant basis pursuant to authority provided by subsection (a) shall not be counted against the aggregate value of excess defense articles transferred in any fiscal year under section 516 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2321j).

(d) **COSTS OF TRANSFERS.**—Any expense incurred by the United States in connection with a transfer authorized by this section shall be charged to the recipient (notwithstanding section 516(e) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2321j(e))).

(e) **REPAIR AND REFURBISHMENT IN UNITED STATES SHIPYARDS.**—To the maximum extent practicable, the President shall require, as a condition of the transfer of a vessel under this section, that the recipient to which the vessel is transferred have such repair or refurbishment of the vessel as is needed, before the vessel joins the naval forces of the recipient, performed at a shipyard located in the United States, including a United States Navy shipyard.

(f) **EXPIRATION OF AUTHORITY.**—The authority to transfer a vessel under this section shall expire at the end of the 2-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act.

TITLE III—OTHER MATTERS

SEC. 301. EXPEDITED CONGRESSIONAL DEFENSE EXPORT REVIEW PERIOD FOR ISRAEL.

The Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.) is amended—

(1) in sections 3(d)(2)(B), 3(d)(3)(A)(i), 3(d)(5), 21(e)(2)(A), 36(b), 36(c), 36(d)(2)(A), 62(c)(1), and 63(a)(2), by inserting “Israel,” before “or New Zealand” each place it appears; and

(2) in section 3(b)(2), by inserting “the Government of Israel,” before “or the Government of New Zealand”.

SEC. 302. EXTENSION OF WAR RESERVES STOCKPILE AUTHORITY.

(a) **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2005.**—Section 12001(d) of the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2005 (Public Law 108-287; 118 Stat. 1011) is amended by striking “more than 4 years after” and inserting “more than 8 years after”.

(b) **FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT OF 1961.**—Section 514(b)(2)(A) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2321h(b)(2)(A)) is amended by striking “fiscal years 2007 and 2008” and inserting “fiscal years 2011 and 2012”.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from California (Mr. BERMAN) and the gentleman from California (Mr. BILBRAY) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California (Mr. BERMAN).

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GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days to revise

and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the bill under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of the bill, and I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, the bill before us, the Security Cooperation Act of 2010, has three major components. First, it includes implementing legislation for the defense trade treaties between the United States and two of our closest allies, the United Kingdom and Australia, respectively. These treaties will support the longstanding special relationship shared by the U.S., the United Kingdom, and Australia by streamlining the processes for transferring certain controlled items among our items to support combined military and counterterrorism operations, cooperative security and research, and other defense projects. The implementing legislation also provides a clear statutory basis for enforcement of the treaties, including the prosecution of those who violate their requirements.

Second, S. 3847 gives Israel the same status as our NATO allies Australia, Japan, New Zealand and South Korea with regard to the length of the congressional review period for U.S. arms sales. The security relationship between the U.S. and Israel is vital and strong, and Israel deserves the same treatment as these other nations.

Finally, this bill authorizes the transfer by grant and sale of excess naval vessels to India, Greece, Chile, Morocco, and Taiwan to better assist them with their legitimate defense needs, and in so doing strengthens our relationship with these nations.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. BILBRAY. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the chairman's action on this item. Let me just say as probably the only Member of Congress of Australian ancestry, I want to point out that the British, we might have had a couple of run-ins with the British every once in a while over the last few centuries, but the only country, the only country that fought in every war in the last century and this last century alongside the United States was those men and women from Australia.

I am very proud to be able to serve here in Congress and be able to support this bill in this forum. I think that we just have to remember that too often we take our allies for granted, our truly close friends, who are close to us in many ways. But in some of us, it is closer than others, and I hope that somewhere I can be able to stick this to my cousins in Queensland, Australia, and point out that I was here to at least speak in favor of this bill.

Mr. Speaker, I yield the balance of my time to the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. SMITH), and I ask unanimous consent that he be allowed to control that time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

(Mr. SMITH of New Jersey asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of this important national security measure. Mr. Speaker, this legislation is comprised of three components. First, it authorizes the transfer of certain naval vessels to U.S. friends and allies abroad, including India, Greece and Taiwan.

It also includes language previously adopted by the House that strengthens the U.S. commitment to the security of the Jewish state of Israel by expediting the process for approving foreign military sales to that country and by extending the dates and the amounts of U.S. excess equipment that can be transferred to Israel from regional stockpiles.

Thirdly, it provides a statutory basis for the President to implement defense trade cooperation treaties signed between the government of the United States and the governments of the U.K. and Australia respectively. These treaties represent a fundamental shift in the way the United States conducts defense trade with its closest allies.

Rather than reviewing export licenses, the treaties will establish a structure in which trade in defense articles, technology, and services can take place more freely between approved communities in the United States, the United Kingdom, and Australia where such trade is in support of combined military and counterterrorism operations, joint research and development, production and support programs, and mutually agreed upon projects where the end user is the U.K., the Australian Government, or U.S. Government end users.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. BERMAN) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, S. 3847.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

CALLING ON JAPAN TO ADDRESS CHILD ABDUCTION CASES

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 1326) calling on the Government of Japan to immediately address the growing problem of abduction to and retention of United States citizen minor children in Japan, to work closely with the Government of the United States to return these children to their custodial parent or to the original jurisdiction for a custody determination in the United States, to provide left-behind parents immediate access to their children, and to adopt without delay the 1980 Hague Conven-

tion on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

H. RES. 1326

Whereas Japan is an important partner with the United States and shares interests in the areas of economy, defense, global peace and prosperity, and the protection of the human rights of the two nations' respective citizens in an increasingly integrated global society;

Whereas the Government of Japan acceded in 1979 to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights that states "States Parties to the present Covenant shall take appropriate steps to ensure equality of rights and responsibilities of spouses as to marriage, during marriage and at its dissolution. In the case of dissolution, provision shall be made for the necessary protection of any children [Article 23]";

Whereas since 1994, the Office of Children's Issues (OCI) at the United States Department of State had opened over 214 cases involving 300 United States citizen children abducted to or wrongfully retained in Japan, and as of September 17, 2010, OCI had 95 open cases involving 136 United States citizen children abducted to or wrongfully retained in Japan;

Whereas the United States Congress is not aware of any legal decision that has been issued and enforced by the Government of Japan to return a single abducted child to the United States;

Whereas Japan has not acceded to the 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction (the Hague Convention), resulting in the continued absence of an immediate civil remedy that as a matter of urgency would enable the expedited return of abducted children to their custodial parent in the United States where appropriate, or otherwise immediately allow access to their United States parent;

Whereas the Government of Japan is the only G-7 country that has not acceded to the Hague Convention;

Whereas the Hague Convention would not apply to most abductions occurring before Japan's ratification of the Hague Convention, requiring, therefore, that Japan create a separate parallel process to resolve the abductions of all United States citizen children who currently remain wrongfully removed to or retained in Japan, including the 136 United States citizen children who have been reported to the United States Department of State and who are being held in Japan against the wishes of their parent in the United States and, in many cases, in direct violation of a valid United States court order;

Whereas the Hague Convention provides enumerated defenses designed to provide protection to children alleged to be subjected to a grave risk of physical or psychological harm in the left-behind country;

Whereas United States laws against domestic violence extend protection and redress to Japanese spouses;

Whereas there are cases of Japanese consulates located within the United States issuing or reissuing travel documents of dual-national children notwithstanding United States court orders restricting travel;

Whereas Japanese family courts may not actively enforce parental access and joint custody arrangements for either a Japanese national or a foreigner, there is little hope for children to have contact with the non-custodial parent;

Whereas the Government of Japan has not prosecuted an abducting parent or relative