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H. R. 4821

For the relief of Meriam Yahya Ibrahim, Martin Wani, and Maya Wani.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 9, 2014

Mr. COTTON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

For the relief of Meriam Yahya Ibrahim, Martin Wani, and
Maya Wani.

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. PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS FOR MERIAM**
4 **YAHYA IBRAHIM, MARTIN WANI, AND MAYA**
5 **WANI.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding subsections (a)
7 and (b) of section 201 of the Immigration and Nationality
8 Act, Meriam Yahya Ibrahim, Martin Wani, and Maya
9 Wani shall each be eligible for issuance of an immigrant
10 visa or for adjustment of status to that of an alien lawfully
11 admitted for permanent residence upon filing an applica-

1 tion for issuance of an immigrant visa under section 204
2 of such Act or for adjustment of status to lawful perma-
3 nent resident.

4 (b) ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS.—If Meriam Yahya
5 Ibrahim, Martin Wani, or Maya Wani enters the United
6 States before the filing deadline specified in subsection (c),
7 he or she shall be considered to have entered and remained
8 lawfully and shall, if otherwise eligible, be eligible for ad-
9 justment of status under section 245 of the Immigration
10 and Nationality Act as of the date of the enactment of
11 this Act.

12 (c) DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION AND PAYMENT OF
13 FEES.—Subsections (a) and (b) shall apply only if the ap-
14 plication for issuance of an immigrant visa or the applica-
15 tion for adjustment of status is filed with appropriate fees
16 within 2 years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

17 (d) REDUCTION OF IMMIGRANT VISA NUMBER.—
18 Upon the granting of an immigrant visa or permanent res-
19 idence to Meriam Yahya Ibrahim, Martin Wani, and Maya
20 Wani, the Secretary of State shall instruct the proper offi-
21 cer to reduce by 3, during the current or next following
22 fiscal year, the total number of immigrant visas that are
23 made available to natives of the country of the aliens' birth
24 under section 203(a) of the Immigration and Nationality
25 Act or, if applicable, the total number of immigrant visas

1 that are made available to natives of the country of the
2 aliens' birth under section 202(e) of such Act.

3 (e) DENIAL OF PREFERENTIAL IMMIGRATION
4 TREATMENT FOR CERTAIN RELATIVES.—The natural
5 parents, brothers, and sisters of Meriam Yahya Ibrahim,
6 Martin Wani, and Maya Wani shall not, by virtue of such
7 relationship, be accorded any right, privilege, or status
8 under the Immigration and Nationality Act.

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