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H. R. 3457

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

AN ACT

To prohibit the lifting of sanctions on Iran until the Government of Iran pays the judgments against it for acts of terrorism, 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Justice for Victims
3 of Iranian Terrorism Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON LIFTING OF SANCTIONS ON IRAN**
5 **PENDING PAYMENT OF CERTAIN JUDG-**
6 **MENTS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
8 sion of law, the President may not take any of the actions
9 described in subsection (b) until the President has cer-
10 tified to the Congress that the Government of Iran has
11 paid each judgment against Iran that is described in sub-
12 section (c).

13 (b) ACTIONS DESCRIBED.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—The actions described in this
15 subsection are the following:

16 (A) To waive, suspend, reduce, provide re-
17 lief from, or otherwise limit the application of
18 sanctions described in paragraph (2) or refrain
19 from applying any such sanctions.

20 (B) To remove a foreign person listed in
21 Attachment 3 or Attachment 4 to Annex II of
22 the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action from
23 the list of specially designated nationals and
24 blocked persons maintained by the Office of
25 Foreign Asset Control of the Department of the
26 Treasury.

1 (2) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—The sanctions de-
2 scribed in this paragraph are—

3 (A) the sanctions described in sections 4
4 through 7.9 of Annex II of the Joint Com-
5 prehensive Plan of Action; and

6 (B) the sanctions described in any other
7 agreement related to the nuclear program of
8 Iran that includes the United States, commits
9 the United States to take action, or pursuant to
10 which the United States commits or otherwise
11 agrees to take action, regardless of the form it
12 takes, whether a political commitment or other-
13 wise, and regardless of whether it is legally
14 binding or not.

15 (c) JUDGMENTS.—A judgment is a judgment de-
16 scribed in this subsection if it is a final judgment entered
17 by the courts of the United States or of the States—

18 (1) that relates to a claim—

19 (A) that was brought against Iran or its
20 political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumental-
21 ities (regardless of whether the claim was also
22 brought, or the resulting judgment was also en-
23 tered, against another defendant); and

24 (B) for which the court determined that
25 Iran (or its political subdivisions, agencies, or

1 instrumentalities, as the case may be) was not
2 immune from the jurisdiction of the courts of
3 the United States or of the States under section
4 1605A, or section 1605(a)(7) (as such section
5 was in effect on January 27, 2008), of title 28,
6 United States Code; and

7 (2) that was entered during the period begin-
8 ning on April 24, 1996, and ending on the date of
9 the enactment of this Act.

10 (d) JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF ACTION DE-
11 SCRIBED.—In this section, the term “Joint Comprehensive
12 Plan of Action” means the Joint Comprehensive Plan of
13 Action, agreed to at Vienna on July 14, 2015, by Iran
14 and by the People’s Republic of China, France, Germany,
15 the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom and the
16 United States, with the High Representative of the Euro-
17 pean Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, and
18 all implementing materials and agreements related to the
19 Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action.

 Passed the House of Representatives October 1,
2015.

Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,

Clerk.