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To prohibit military assistance to countries that engage in arms transfers and activities with respect to Iran, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CRIST (for himself and Mr. BILIRAKIS) introduced the following bill;
which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

A BILL

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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 “No Arms Sales to Iran
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

8 (1) United Nations Security Council Resolution
9 2231 (2015) which endorses implementation of the
10 Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action also provides

1 restrictions on ballistic missile-related transfers to or
2 activities with Iran absent case-by-case approval by
3 the United Nations Security Council.

4 (2) Iran has conducted at least three ballistic
5 missile tests since implementation of the Joint Com-
6 prehensive Plan of Action in 2015.

7 (3) Iran continues to pursue a policy of desta-
8 bilization throughout the Middle East, relying on
9 proxies and direct military engagement to challenge
10 United States partners and threaten Israel.

11 (4) Various countries have reportedly proposed
12 arms transfers to or activities with Iran despite
13 Iran's ongoing regional aggression.

14 **SEC. 3. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

15 It is the sense of Congress that—

16 (1) arms transfers to or activities with Iran
17 would empower Iran to further destabilize the region
18 and would undermine core objectives of regional
19 peace; and

20 (2) the Secretary of State, through bilateral en-
21 gagement and multilateral fora, should diplomati-
22 cally engage with the governments of countries that
23 have reportedly proposed arms transfers to or activi-
24 ties with Iran and with other United Nations Secu-

1 rity Council member states in order to prevent such
2 transfers or activities.

3 **SEC. 4. REPORT.**

4 Not later than 90 days after the date of the enact-
5 ment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Secretary
6 of State shall submit to Congress a report on each covered
7 activity or transfer, and the diplomatic responses of the
8 United States to each such covered activity or transfer,
9 that is proposed during the one-year period preceding the
10 date of the submission of the report.

11 **SEC. 5. PROHIBITION ON MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO COUN-**
12 **TRIES THAT ENGAGE IN ARMS TRANSFERS**
13 **AND ACTIVITIES WITH RESPECT TO IRAN.**

14 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (c), and ef-
15 fective beginning on the date that is 180 days after the
16 date of the enactment of this Act—

17 (1) no military assistance, including military as-
18 sistance furnished under the Foreign Assistance Act
19 of 1961, the Arms Export Control Act, or any other
20 provision of law, may be provided to a country that
21 engages in any covered activity or transfer; and

22 (2) no license may be granted to export an item
23 on the United States Munitions List under section
24 38 of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C.

1 2778) or any other provision of law to any country
2 that engages in any covered activity or transfer.

3 (b) WAIVER.—The President may waive the prohibi-
4 tions under subsections (a) on a case-by-case basis with
5 respect to a particular country if the President determines
6 and reports to the appropriate congressional committees
7 that it is important to the national interest of the United
8 States to do so.

9 **SEC. 6. DEFINITIONS.**

10 In this Act:

11 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
12 TEES.—The term “appropriate committees of Con-
13 gress” means—

14 (A) the Committee on Armed Services, the
15 Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the Com-
16 mittee on Appropriations of the House of Rep-
17 resentatives; and

18 (B) the Committee on Armed Services, the
19 Committee on Foreign Relations, and the Com-
20 mittee on Appropriations of the Senate.

21 (2) COVERED TRANSFER OR ACTIVITY.—The
22 term “covered activity or transfer” means any arms
23 transfer to or activity with Iran described in para-
24 graphs 2, 4, and 5 of Annex B of United Nations
25 Security Council Resolution 2231 (2015) with re-

1 spect to which a country has sought approval by the
2 United Nations Security Council under such Resolu-
3 tion.

4 (3) JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF ACTION.—
5 The term “Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action”
6 means the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action,
7 agreed to at Vienna July 14, 2015, by Iran and by
8 the People’s Republic of China, France, Germany,
9 the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom and
10 the United States, with the High Representative of
11 the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Secu-
12 rity Policy, and all implementing materials and
13 agreements related to the Joint Comprehensive Plan
14 of Action, and transmitted by the President to Con-
15 gress on July 19, 2015, pursuant to section 135(a)
16 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended by
17 the Iran Nuclear Agreement Review Act of 2015
18 (Public Law 114–17; 129 Stat. 201).

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