

115TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 802

To prohibit Senegal from receiving certain forms of development assistance for a two-year period and make available such assistance to Rwanda and Uganda, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 1, 2017

Mr. MEADOWS 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 “Aid to Allies Act”.

5 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

6 Congress finds the following:

7 (1) The United States established diplomatic
8 relations with Senegal in 1960, when it gained inde-

pendence from France and after the disbanding of the Mali Federation.

(2) As of 2014, the United States had provided Senegal with a cumulative total of \$2,500,000,000 in foreign assistance.

(3) In 2009, Senegal signed a compact with the Millennium Challenge Corporation that spanned from 2010 to 2015 and provided \$540,000,000 to support large-scale transportation and water infrastructure projects.

(4) In December 2015, the Millennium Challenge Corporation selected Senegal as eligible to develop a second compact.

(5) The Administration's fiscal year 2017 budget request for bilateral assistance to Senegal totaled \$103,100,000, including—

(A) \$56,000,000 for global health programs;

(B) \$44,800,000 for development assistance;

(C) \$1,000,000 for international military education and training;

(D) \$1,000,000 for nonproliferation, antiterrorism, demining and related programs; and

1 (E) \$300,000 for foreign military financ-
2 ing.

3 (6) On December 23, 2016, Senegal was one of
4 four co-sponsors of United Nations Security Council
5 Resolution 2334 (2016), which described the Israeli
6 neighborhoods in the West Bank as illegally occu-
7 pied. The resolution was adopted by a vote of 14–
8 0 with the United States abstaining.

9 **SEC. 3. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

10 It is the sense of Congress that—

11 (1) in periods of constrained resources and
12 when the national debt is nearly
13 \$20,000,000,000,000, all budget items deserve scru-
14 tiny, especially foreign aid dollars;

15 (2) rather than continuing to assist foreign gov-
16 ernments that undermine our foreign allies, those
17 dollars would be better spent in countries that sup-
18 port and defend the shared interests of the Amer-
19 ican people; and

20 (3) the Board of the Millennium Challenge Cor-
21 poration should not enter into any compact with
22 Senegal under section 609 of the Millennium Chal-
23 lenge Act of 2003 (22 U.S.C. 7708) until the Chief
24 Executive Officer of the Millennium Challenge Cor-
25 poration submits to Congress a report regarding the

1 eligibility of Senegal to meet the criteria specified in
2 section 607(b) of such Act (22 U.S.C. 7706(b)) that
3 considers the impact on such eligibility of—

4 (A) Senegal’s co-sponsorship of United Na-
5 tions Security Council Resolution 2334 (2016);
6 and

7 (B) other governance issues with respect to
8 Senegal.

9 **SEC. 4. LIMITATION ON EXPENDITURES THROUGH DEVEL-**
10 **OPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—For the two-year period beginning
12 on the date of the enactment of this Act, no funds may
13 be obligated or expended for assistance to Senegal author-
14 ized under part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961
15 (22 U.S.C. 2151 et seq.) except for assistance through a
16 program described in subsection (c).

17 (b) REPROGRAMMING OF WITHHELD FUNDS.—
18 Funds withheld by reason of subsection (a) may be made
19 available for assistance to Rwanda or to Uganda author-
20 ized under part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961
21 (22 U.S.C. 2151 et seq.), in accordance with the proce-
22 dures applicable to reprogramming notifications under
23 section 634A of such Act (22 U.S.C. 2394–1).

24 (c) EXCEPTED PROGRAMS.—The programs described
25 in this subsection are the following:

- 1 (1) The President's Malaria Initiative.
- 2 (2) The Feed the Future program.
- 3 (3) The President's Emergency Plan for AIDS
- 4 Relief.

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