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## AN ACT

To direct the Federal Government to provide assistance and technical expertise to enhance the representation and leadership of the United States at international standards-setting bodies that set standards for equipment, systems, software, and virtually-defined networks that support 5th and future generations mobile telecommunications systems and infrastructure, 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4        This Act may be cited as the “Promoting United  
5 States International Leadership in 5G Act of 2019”.

6 **SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

7        It is the sense of Congress that—

8            (1) the United States and its allies and part-  
9            ners should maintain participation and leadership at  
10           international standards-setting bodies for 5th and  
11           future generations mobile telecommunications sys-  
12           tems and infrastructure;

13           (2) the United States should work with its allies  
14           and partners to encourage and facilitate the develop-  
15           ment of secure supply chains and networks for 5th  
16           and future generations mobile telecommunications  
17           systems and infrastructure; and

18           (3) the maintenance of a high standard of secu-  
19           rity in telecommunications and cyberspace between  
20           the United States and its allies and partners is a na-  
21           tional security interest of the United States.

1 **SEC. 3. ENHANCING REPRESENTATION AND LEADERSHIP**  
2 **OF UNITED STATES AT INTERNATIONAL**  
3 **STANDARDS-SETTING BODIES.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—The President shall establish an  
5 interagency working group to provide assistance and tech-  
6 nical expertise to enhance the representation and leader-  
7 ship of the United States at international standards-set-  
8 ting bodies that set standards for equipment, systems,  
9 software, and virtually-defined networks that support 5th  
10 and future generations mobile telecommunications systems  
11 and infrastructure, such as the International Tele-  
12 communication Union and the 3rd Generation Partnership  
13 Project. The President shall also work with allies and  
14 partners, as well as the private sector, to increase produc-  
15 tive engagement.

16 (b) **INTERAGENCY WORKING GROUP.**—The inter-  
17 agency working group described in subsection (a) shall—

18 (1) be chaired by the Secretary of State or a  
19 designee of the Secretary of State; and

20 (2) consist of the head (or designee) of each  
21 Federal department or agency the President deter-  
22 mines appropriate.

23 (c) **BRIEFING.**—

24 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—Not later than 180 days  
25 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and sub-  
26 sequently thereafter as provided in paragraph (2),

1 the interagency working group described in sub-  
2 section (a) shall provide to the Committee on For-  
3 eign Affairs of the House of Representatives and the  
4 Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate a  
5 briefing that shall include—

6 (A) a strategy to promote United States  
7 leadership at international standards-setting  
8 bodies for equipment, systems, software, and  
9 virtually-defined networks relevant to 5th and  
10 future generation mobile telecommunications  
11 systems and infrastructure, taking into account  
12 the different processes followed by the various  
13 international standard-setting bodies;

14 (B) a strategy for diplomatic engagement  
15 with allies and partners to share security risk  
16 information and findings pertaining to equip-  
17 ment that supports or is used in 5th and future  
18 generations mobile telecommunications systems  
19 and infrastructure and cooperation on miti-  
20 gating such risks;

21 (C) a discussion of China's presence and  
22 activities at international standards-setting bod-  
23 ies relevant to 5th and future generation mobile  
24 telecommunications systems and infrastructure,  
25 including information on the differences in the

1 scope and scale of China’s engagement at such  
2 bodies compared to engagement by the United  
3 States or its allies and partners and the secu-  
4 rity risks raised by Chinese proposals in such  
5 standards-setting bodies; and

6 (D) a strategy for engagement with private  
7 sector communications and information service  
8 providers, equipment developers, academia, fed-  
9 erally funded research and development centers,  
10 and other private-sector stakeholders to propose  
11 and develop secure standards for equipment,  
12 systems, software, and virtually-defined net-  
13 works that support 5th and future generation  
14 mobile telecommunications systems and infra-  
15 structure.

16 (2) SUBSEQUENT BRIEFINGS.—Upon request  
17 by the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House  
18 of Representatives and the Committee on Foreign  
19 Relations of the Senate, or as determined appro-  
20 priate by the chair of the interagency working group  
21 described in subsection (a), the interagency working  
22 group shall provide to the Committee on Foreign Af-  
23 fairs of the House of Representatives and the Com-  
24 mittee on Foreign Relations of the Senate an up-

