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To counter the spread of the LOGINK logistics information platform, and
for other purposes.

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Mrs. STEEL (for herself, Mr. OWENS, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. POSEY, Mr. TIF-
FANY, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. MAST, Mr. STEUBE, Mr. CLINE, Mr. OGLES,
and Mr. GUEST) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on
Armed Services, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently
determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provi-
sions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To counter the spread of the LOGINK logistics information
platform, 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 “Securing Maritime
5 Data from Communist China Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

7 In this Act:

1 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
2 TEES DEFINED.—The term “appropriate congress-
3 sional committees” means—

4 (A) the Committee on Armed Services, the
5 Committee on Foreign Relations, the Com-
6 mittee on Homeland Security and Govern-
7 mental Affairs, and the Committee on Finance
8 of the Senate; and

9 (B) the Committee on Armed Services, the
10 Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee
11 on Homeland Security, and the Committee on
12 Ways and Means of the House of Representa-
13 tives.

14 (2) CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE.—The term
15 “critical infrastructure” has the meaning given the
16 term in section 721(a) of the Defense Production
17 Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4565(a)).

18 (3) LOGINK.—The term “LOGINK” means
19 public, open, shared logistics information network
20 known as the National Public Information Platform
21 for Transportation & Logistics by the Ministry of
22 Transport of the People’s Republic of China.

23 **SEC. 3. COUNTERING THE SPREAD OF LOGINK.**

24 (a) PROHIBITIONS.—

25 (1) CONTRACTING PROHIBITION.—

1 (A) IN GENERAL.—The Department of De-
2 fense may not enter into or renew any contract
3 with any entity that uses—

4 (i) LOGINK;

5 (ii) any logistics platform controlled
6 by, affiliated with, or subject to the juris-
7 diction of the Chinese Communist Party or
8 the Government of the People’s Republic of
9 China; or

10 (iii) any logistics platform that shares
11 data with a system described in clause (i)
12 or (ii).

13 (B) APPLICABILITY.—Subparagraph (A)
14 applies with respect to any contract entered
15 into or renewed on or after the date that is 2
16 years after the date of the enactment of this
17 Act.

18 (2) PORTS AND CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE
19 BAN.—

20 (A) IN GENERAL.—Beginning on the date
21 that is 2 years after the date of the enactment
22 of this Act, the President shall—

23 (i) prohibit any entity which owns or
24 operates a port in the United States from
25 using or sharing data with a system de-

1 scribed in clauses (i) and (ii) of paragraph
2 (1)(A); and

3 (ii) prohibit any entity which owns or
4 operates other critical infrastructure in the
5 United States, as the President considers
6 appropriate, from using or sharing data
7 with a system described in such clauses.

8 (B) IMPLEMENTATION; PENALTIES.—

9 (i) IMPLEMENTATION.—The President
10 may exercise the authorities provided to
11 the President under sections 203 and 205
12 of the International Emergency Economic
13 Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1702 and 1704) to
14 the extent necessary to carry out this para-
15 graph.

16 (ii) PENALTIES.—A person that vio-
17 lates, attempts to violate, conspires to vio-
18 late, or causes a violation of a prohibition
19 described in subparagraph (A) or any reg-
20 ulation, license, or order issued to carry
21 out that subparagraph shall be subject to
22 the penalties set forth in subsections (b)
23 and (c) of section 206 of the International
24 Emergency Economic Powers Act (50
25 U.S.C. 1705) to the same extent as a per-

1 son that commits an unlawful act de-
2 scribed in subsection (a) of that section.

3 (b) NEGOTIATIONS WITH ALLIES AND PARTNERS.—

4 (1) NEGOTIATIONS REQUIRED.—The President
5 shall enter into negotiations with United States al-
6 lies and partners, including those described in para-
7 graph (3), if the President determines that ports or
8 other entities operating within the jurisdiction of
9 such allies and partners are using an entity de-
10 scribed in subsection (a)(1)(A).

11 (2) ELEMENTS.—As part of the negotiations
12 described in paragraph (1), the President shall—

13 (A) urge governments to require entities
14 within their jurisdiction to terminate use of
15 LOGINK and other platforms described in sub-
16 section (a)(1)(A);

17 (B) describe the threats posed by
18 LOGINK and other platforms described in sub-
19 section (a)(1)(A) to United States military and
20 strategic interests and the implications this
21 threat may have for the presence of United
22 States military forces in such ally or partner;

23 (C) urge governments to cooperate with
24 the United States to counter attempts by the
25 People’s Republic of China at international

1 standards-setting bodies to spread LOGINK
2 and other platforms described in subsection
3 (a)(1)(A); and

4 (D) attempt to establish through multilat-
5 eral entities, bilateral or multilateral trade ne-
6 gotiations, military cooperation, and other rel-
7 evant engagements or agreements a prohibition
8 on the use of LOGINK and other platforms de-
9 scribed in subsection (a)(1)(A).

10 (3) ALLIES AND PARTNERS.—The allies and
11 partners with which the President shall conduct the
12 negotiations described in this subsection include—

13 (A) Japan;

14 (B) The Republic of Korea;

15 (C) The Philippines;

16 (D) Australia;

17 (E) North Atlantic Treaty Organization

18 members; and

19 (F) European Union members.

20 **SEC. 4. REPORT.**

21 Not later than one year after the date of the enact-
22 ment of this Act, the President shall submit a report to
23 the appropriate congressional committees describing—

24 (1) the efforts made by the United States Gov-
25 ernment thus far in the negotiations described in

1 section 3(b), including whether the United States
2 Government has raised such negotiations in multilat-
3 eral trade and technology discussions and negotia-
4 tions;

5 (2) the actions taken by the governments of al-
6 lies and partners pursuant to the negotiation prior-
7 ities described in section 3(b);

8 (3) the possible effects that the contracting pro-
9 hibition under section 3(a)(1) and the port and
10 other critical infrastructure prohibition under section
11 3(a)(2) may have on United States military oper-
12 ations; and

13 (4) the possible effects that the port and other
14 critical infrastructure prohibition under section
15 3(a)(2) may have on the commercial operations of
16 United States ports and other critical infrastructure.

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