119TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H.R. 2505

AN ACT

To require the development of strategies and options to prevent the export to Iran of certain technologies related to unmanned aircraft systems, and for other purposes.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- ${\it 2\ tives\ of\ the\ United\ States\ of\ America\ in\ Congress\ assembled},$

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

- This Act may be cited as the "Block the Use of
- 3 Transatlantic Technology in Iranian Made Drones Act".
- 4 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

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- 5 Congress finds the following:
- 6 (1) The Iranian regime has provided financial 7 and material support, including the provision of un-8 manned aircraft systems, to United States adver-9 saries, including terrorist organizations such as 10 Hamas, Hezbollah, the Houthis, and Palestinian Is-11 lamic Jihad, and the Russian Federation as a part 12 of its illegal war of aggression against Ukraine.
 - (2) In 2022, the United States established an interagency task force to investigate how United States and Western-made technology has been incorporated into unmanned aircraft systems produced by Iran and take appropriate steps in response.
 - (3) On June 9, 2023, the Department of State, the Department of Justice, the Department of Commerce, and the Department of the Treasury issued a joint advisory to alert persons and businesses globally to the threat of Iran's unmanned aircraft systems and the need to take appropriate steps to avoid or prevent any activities that would support the further development of Iran's unmanned aircraft program.

1	(4) In recent years the United States enacted
2	sanctions targeting—
3	(A) the unmanned aircraft industry and
4	missile industry of Iran;
5	(B) entities, individuals, and vessels that
6	played a central role in facilitating and financ-
7	ing the clandestine sale of Iranian unmanned
8	aerial vehicles; and
9	(C) entities associated with the Iranian de-
10	fense ministry's procurement of critical compo-
11	nents for missiles and drones.
12	SEC. 3. SENSE OF CONGRESS.
13	It is the sense of Congress that—
14	(1) controlling the end use of dual use tech-
15	nology and highly ubiquitous parts thereof in the
16	global market is difficult for manufacturers and gov-
17	ernment regulators alike;
18	(2) Iranian-made unmanned aircraft systems
19	play a key role in the Russian Federation's illegal
20	war of aggression against Ukraine, including attacks
21	on civilian population centers and critical infrastruc-
22	ture such as power plants and ports; and
23	(3) the United States, along with the allies and
24	partners of the United States, must ensure that
25	technology designed or produced by United States or

1	using certain United States software, technology, or				
2	production equipment, is not used to support the				
3	Russian Federation's war of aggression against				
4	Ukraine or used by Hamas to attack Israel, particu-				
5	larly in the case of unmanned aircraft systems pro-				
6	duced by Iran.				
7	SEC. 4. STRATEGIES TO PREVENT EXPORT TO IRAN OF				
8	CERTAIN TECHNOLOGIES RELATED TO UN-				
9	MANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS.				
10	(a) Department of Commerce Strategy.—				
11	(1) STRATEGY REQUIRED.—The Secretary of				
12	Commerce (in consultation with the Secretary of				
13	State, the Secretary of Defense, and the Director of				
14	National Intelligence) shall develop a strategy to				
15	prevent the illegal export to Iran by United States				
16	persons regarding technologies used or that may be				
17	used in the design, development, production, or oper-				
18	ational employment of unmanned aircraft systems by				
19	Iran, including the following microelectronics:				
20	(A) Microcontrollers.				
21	(B) Voltage regulators.				
22	(C) Digital signal controllers.				
23	(D) GPS modules.				
24	(E) Microprocessors.				

1	(2) Elements.—The strategy under paragraph
2	(1) shall include, at a minimum, the following ele-
3	ments:
4	(A) A process for the Secretary of Com-
5	merce (in coordination with the Secretaries and
6	heads specified in paragraph (1)) to proactively
7	identify—
8	(i) current and emerging technologies
9	used or that may be used by Iran in the
10	design, development, production, or oper-
11	ational employment of unmanned aircraft
12	systems (including critical components
13	thereof);
14	(ii) United States manufacturers of
15	such technologies; and
16	(iii) foreign manufacturers and
17	proliferators of such technologies.
18	(B) A process for the Secretary of Com-
19	merce (in coordination with the Secretaries and
20	heads specified in paragraph (1)) to proactively
21	identify third-party distributors and resellers of
22	the technologies specified in subparagraph
23	(A)(i) that, through the use of intermediaries
24	with no or nominal operations or assets, or

through other mechanisms, contrive to cir-

cumvent export controls for such items with respect to Iran.

- (C) A methodology for the Secretary of Commerce to proactively engage the United States manufacturers identified pursuant to the process under subparagraph (A)(ii), to provide such manufacturers with timely updates to the list of third-party distributors and resellers identified pursuant to the process under subparagraph (B).
- (3) Submission.—Not later than 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Commerce shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees the strategy under paragraph (1).
- (4) FORM.—The report required by subsection (a)(1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but portions of the report described in paragraphs (1) and (2) may contain a classified annex, so long as such annex is provided separately from the unclassified report.

22 (b) Department of State Strategy.—

(1) STRATEGY REQUIRED.—The Secretary of State (in coordination with the Secretary of Commerce, the Secretary of Defense, and the Director of

- 1 National Intelligence) shall develop a strategy to 2 prevent the export to Iran of technologies from the United States and allied and partner countries 3 4 which are used, or may be used, by Iran in the design, development, production, or operational em-5 6 ployment of unmanned aircraft systems (including 7 the microelectronics listed in subparagraphs (A) 8 through (F) of subsection (a)(1).
 - (2) ELEMENTS.—The strategy under paragraph (1) shall include, at a minimum, the following elements:
 - (A) A process for the Secretary of State (in consultation with the relevant Secretaries and heads specified in paragraph (1)) to proactively identify foreign manufacturers of the technologies referred to in such paragraph.
 - (B) A process for the Secretary of State to engage with any ally or partner of the United States regarding technologies which have been incorporated into an unmanned aircraft system produced by Iran, for the purpose of synchronizing the export control regime of such ally or partner with the United States export controls developed by the Secretary of Commerce pursu-

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- 1 ant to the strategy under subsection (a) with 2 respect to such technology.
- 3 (3) Submission.—Not later than 90 days after 4 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary 5 of State shall submit to the appropriate congres-6 sional committees the strategy under paragraph (1).
- 7 (4) FORM.—The report required by subsection 8 (b)(1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but 9 portions of the report described in paragraphs (1) 10 and (2) may contain a classified annex, so long as 11 such annex is provided separately from the unclassi-12 fied report.
- (c) Requirement for Secretary of Defense To
 Develop Range of Options.—
 - (1) In General.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense (in coordination with the Secretary of State and the Director of National Intelligence) shall develop a range of options that may be employed by the Armed Forces of the United States to counter or otherwise deny Iran the ability to acquire technologies used, or that may be used, in the design, development, production, or operational employment of unmanned aircraft systems by Iran, including the following technologies:

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1	(A) Microcontrollers.					
2	(B) Voltage regulators.					
3	(C) Digital signal controllers.					
4	(D) GPS modules.					
5	(E) Microprocessors.					
6	(F) Computer Aided Design (CAD) soft					
7	ware.					
8	(G) Computer numerical control machines.					
9	(2) Briefing.—Not later than 45 days after					
10	the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary					
11	of Defense shall provide to the appropriate congres-					
12	sional committees a briefing on the options devel-					
13	oped under paragraph (1).					
14	SEC. 5. DEFINITIONS.					
15	In this Act:					
16	(1) Appropriate congressional commit-					
17	TEES.—The term "appropriate congressional com-					
18	mittees" means the following:					
19	(A) The Committee on Foreign Affairs, the					
20	Committee on Armed Services, and the Perma-					
21	nent Select Committee on Intelligence of the					
22	House of Representatives.					
23	(B) The Committee on Foreign Relations,					
24	the Committee on Armed Services, the Com-					
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1	and the Permanent Select Committee on Intel-					
2	ligence of the Senate.					
3	(2) Unmanned Aircraft; unmanned Air-					
4	CRAFT SYSTEM.—The terms "unmanned aircraft"					
5	and "unmanned aircraft system" have the meanings					
6	given those terms in section 130i of title 10, United					
7	States Code.					
	Passed the House of Representatives September 2					
	2025.					

Attest:

Clerk.

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