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Congress has mandated that the executive branch provide it with significant amounts of information related to Iran via singular and recurring reporting requirements. Iran-related issues about which Congress has mandated executive branch reporting include

- Iran's missile and drone activities and the capability of U.S. forces and U.S. partners to counter those threats;
- Iran's support for terrorist and other armed groups across the Middle East, including the resources Iran dedicates to supporting those groups;
- Iran's nuclear program, including uranium enrichment and possible nuclear weapons development;
- U.S. sanctions on Iran;
- Human rights in Iran and the Iranian government's efforts to target dissidents at home and abroad;
- Iran's relations with North Korea, the People's Republic of China (China or PRC), and other countries; and
- Iranian leaders' assets.

Reflecting the broad array of Iran-related topics of interest to Congress, nearly half of all congressional committees have received a report related to Iran in the past decade. Some reports are available to the general public, though most, while unclassified, are only accessible to the committees to which the executive branch is required to submit them.

In reviewing the reports to which Congress formerly had, and presently has, access, Members of Congress could consider how those reports have or have not impacted U.S. policymaking, and whether or not to expand, restrict, or otherwise amend the Iran-related information they require from the executive branch.

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Scope and Introduction

This report provides a list of Iran-related reports, strategies, and other informational products that Congress has required from the executive branch since the 111th Congress (2009-2010). Reporting requirements may vary widely in terms of deadlines, requested content, and congressional entities to which the reports are to be submitted. The forms in which reports are delivered, including the submission of written materials or in-person delivery through briefings, also vary. This report includes only those written reports required by enacted legislation (e.g., not reports required by explanatory statements or committee reports accompanying legislation enacted by Congress or passed by a committee). The reports listed in this product are those related primarily to Iran, though Iran often appears in other reports, such as those related to U.S. adversaries in general. This product does not include situational Iran-related reports that Congress requires the executive branch to submit in specific instances, such as when applying, or waiving the application of, certain sanctions. The tables of reports in this product should not be considered comprehensive of all reporting requirements related to Iran.

Some of the reports below are required to be submitted to the entire Congress, or to senior leaders in each chamber, but most are to be submitted to specific committees. Reflecting the broad array of Iran-related issues of interest to Members of Congress, recipients of at least one of the reports below include 8 of 20 standing committees in the House and 7 of 16 standing committees in the Senate, as well as both chambers' intelligence committees. Report recipients generally reflect the committees with jurisdiction over the legislation in which the reporting requirement is included (e.g., the appropriations committees receive reports required in appropriations bills; the armed services committees receive reports required in a National Defense Authorization Act, or NDAA). Most of the reports below are not publicly available and CRS cannot confirm whether or not reports (which the executive branch often has the option to submit alongside a classified annex) have been submitted as directed.

Major Themes and Issues for Congress

Requirements and Submitted Reporting to Congress, by Kathleen E. Marchsteiner.

The topics about which Congress has directed the Administration provide it information since the 111th Congress have generally aligned with broader trends in U.S. Iran policy. Congressional reporting requirements reflect congressional interests in overseeing executive branch policymaking toward Iran, including using reports to prompt or compel the executive branch to initiate policy changes.

In the 111th and 112th Congresses (2009-2010 and 2011-2012), as growing concern about Iran's nuclear program prompted UN restrictions on Iran, Congress passed landmark legislation related to Iran sanctions, including the Comprehensive Iran Sanctions, Accountability, and Divestment Act of 2010 (CISADA, P.L. 111-195) and the Iran Threat Reduction and Syria Human Rights Act of 2012 (ITRSHRA, P.L. 112-158). Those laws, building on previous efforts to limit the Iranian government's access to revenue by sanctioning aspects of the country's energy sector, introduced a number of regular reporting requirements that are still operative, including biannual reports on investments in Iran's energy sector (Section 110 of CISADA) and executive branch efforts to

¹ "When found in statutes, reporting requirements are legally binding directives by Congress to federal entities. By contrast, when found in committee reports, reporting requirements do not carry the force of law. Nonetheless, because committee reports are authoritative records and serve to establish congressional intent and need, federal entities may still choose to satisfy the reporting requirements due to the significance Congress has imparted upon them and to preserve their relationships with committees of jurisdiction." CRS Report R46661, *Strategies for Identifying Reporting*

expand multilateral sanctions on Iran (Section 102(b) of ITRSHRA). In the FY2010 NDAA (P.L. 111-84), Congress also initiated the annual report on Iran's military power, which currently is required through December 2025; that reporting requirement, the text and legislative history of which is available in **Appendix A A**, has seen numerous changes over the years related to the growing scope of congressional interest regarding threatening Iranian behaviors. The violent crackdown against popular protests after the disputed 2009 presidential election in Iran also prompted congressional reporting requirements, including still-operative requirements for reports on Iranian officials determined to be responsible for human rights abuses (Section 105 of CISADA) and on senior Iranian officials determined to be involved in proliferation activities, support for terrorism, or human rights abuses, as well as family members of such officials (Section 221 of ITRSHRA).²

Starting in the 113th Congress (2013-2015), Members also sought greater transparency regarding multilateral negotiations related to Iran's nuclear program, requiring reports from the Administration on the status of those negotiations and Iran's adherence to various agreements (culminating in the 2015 Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action, JCPOA). In response to the JCPOA, the 114th Congress passed the Iran Nuclear Agreement Review Act (INARA, P.L. 114-17), which includes several reporting requirements. In subsequent legislation, Congress required a biannual report on the monetary value of JCPOA-related sanctions relief and Iran's use of those funds (Section 514 of P.L. 114-113).

Reporting requirements in the 115th Congress (2017-2019), a period when the Trump Administration ceased U.S. participation in the JCPOA and initiated a campaign of "maximum pressure" to try to compel Iran to seek a new agreement, included a number of reports related to U.S. diplomatic efforts. Many of those requirements were in the Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act (CAATSA, P.L. 115-44), which authorized additional sanctions on Iran and required still-operative reports from the executive branch on a strategy to deter Iranian threats (Section 102); on discrepancies between U.S. and European Union sanctions on Iran (Section 109); and on U.S. citizens detained by Iran or Iran-backed groups (Section 110).

Though Iran's support for terrorist and other armed groups in the Middle East had long been a major concern for U.S. policymakers (an issue included in regular reporting requirements), the prominence of Iran's regional activities appears to have risen in reporting requirements beginning with the 116th Congress (2019-2021). In that term, as U.S.-Iran tensions escalated into periodic direct military confrontation across the region, Congress enacted reporting requirements related to deconfliction (Section 1227 of the FY2020 NDAA, P.L. 116-92), Iran's activities in Syria and Lebanon (Section 5521 of Division E, P.L. 116-92), and UN arms restrictions (Section 609 of Division W, P.L. 116-260). Iran-related reporting requirements added in the 117th Congress include annual reports on the Iranian government's efforts to target dissidents at home and abroad (Section 204 of Title II, P.L. 117-328) and on Iranian uranium enrichment and related activities (Section 5593(e)(1) of P.L. 117-263).

A week after Iran's unprecedented direct missile and drone attack on Israel in April 2024, Congress began consideration of, and later passed, an emergency supplemental appropriations bill (P.L. 118-50) that included numerous Iran-related measures. Reporting requirements in that law include a number of recurring reports, including reports on Iranian petroleum exports (annually,

² The U.S. State Department has on occasion publicly released the CISADA Section 105 report but does not appear to have done so since June 2021 (available at https://www.state.gov/report-to-congress-list-of-persons-who-are-responsible-for-or-complicit-in-certain-human-rights-abuses-in-iran/); the most recent ITRSHRA Section 221 report, from January 2024, is available at https://www.state.gov/report-to-congress-on-identification-of-and-immigration-restrictions-on-senior-officials-of-the-government-of-iran-and-their-family-members-sec-221-of-the-iran-threat-reduction-and-syria-human-righ/.

Section 4 of Division J), on Iran's use of unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) against U.S. persons (every 180 days, Section 6 of Division K), and on Iranian officials' assets (every two years, Section 3 of Division R).

Possible Issues for Congress

Considerations for requiring a report. Congress may consider requiring an executive branch report for various reasons, including gathering information related to Iran or U.S. policy toward it; seeking policy options; attempting to get the executive branch to take a specific policy position; or verifying implementation of previous positions or requirements. Members of Congress may examine how, if at all, reports have shaped congressional and/or executive branch actions toward Iran.

Cost/value of reports. Some reports, including some U.S. Department of Defense reports, include information on the estimated costs of preparing the report.³ Congress may consider whether or not to make such cost estimates more universal and, more broadly, may consider whether or not the resources expended by the executive branch in preparing Iran-related reports are commensurate with the value that Congress derives from those reports.

Accessibility of reports. Congress may consider whether to broaden, restrict, or otherwise change the categories of individuals who receive or otherwise have access to ran-related reports. Many Iran-related reports that are 'public' are not classified, but are not necessarily available to the public on a website or otherwise. There is currently no single repository or database for digitized or physical reports submitted to Congress.⁴

The following tables list enacted legislation regarding congressionally mandated reporting requirements related to Iran. The tables cover the 111th Congress (2009-2010) through the 118th Congress (2023-2024) in reverse chronological order. The tables are followed by a key to congressional committee abbreviations.

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³ See, for example, the April 2024 Section 1090 Report, available at https://comptroller.defense.gov/Portals/45/documents/Section1090Reports/

Estimated_Cost_to_Each_US_Taxpayer_of_Each_Wars_in_Afghanistan_Iraq_and_Syria_and_Ukraine_dated_June_2 024.pdf.

⁴ For more information on where to find reports submitted to Congress, see CRS Report R46661, *Strategies for Identifying Reporting Requirements and Submitted Reporting to Congress*, by Kathleen E. Marchsteiner.

Table I. Iran-Related Legislative Reporting Requirements in the I 18th Congress (2023-2024)

Legislation	Report	Submitted By/To	Submission dates
FY2025 NDAA	Amends FY2010 NDAA Sec. 1245 report to include, among other items, assessments of Iranian and Iranian proxy use of civilians as human shields for military purposes (see Appendix A) (Section 1222)	By: Secretary of Defense	Due: N/A
P.L. 118-159 (enacted December 23, 2024)		To: Congress	Future submissions: N/A
	Amends FY2022 NDAA Sec. 1227 report to	By: Director of National	Due: N/A
	include, among other items, assessment of Iranian disinformation operations and requires	Intelligence (DNI) To: HASC/SASC, HPSCI/SSCI,	Future submissions: Annually for 2 years
	annual update of report for 2 years (see Appendix B) (Section 1223)	HFAC/SFRC	
	Report on how proceeds from illicit Iranian oil	By: President	Due: 90 days after enactment
	sales support Iran's military budget, on the extent to which those funds have been used by the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) and Iranian proxies, and on efforts to enforce sanctions, including tanker interdiction (Section 1707)	To: HASC/SASC, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: None
	Strategy to increase information access in Iran,	By: Secretary of State, "in	Due: 90 days after enactment
	including assessments of virtual private networks and efforts to circumvent Iranian government restrictions on internet access (Section 5124)	consultation with the heads of other Federal agencies, as appropriate" To: HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: update within 120 days of enactment; updates in response to reviews at least twice a year
	Update of report required under Section 6705	By: DNI	Due: 90 days after enactment
		To: HFAC/SFRC, HJC/SJC, HAC/SAC	Future submissions: None
Stop Harboring Iranian Petroleum (SHIP)	estimates of total exports to the People's Information Adminis	By: Administrator of the Energy	Due: 120 days after enactment
Act Division Lef P.L. LLR 50 Sec. A (enacted Abril 24		To: HFAC/SFRC, H C/S C,	Future submissions: Annually until President certifies that Iran
Division J of P.L. 118-50 Sec. 4 (enacted April 24, 2024)		HFSC/SBHUAC	no longer provides support for

Legislation	Report	Submitted By/To	Submission dates
	Republic of China (PRC) and description of ships and ports involved therein (Section 4) ⁵		terrorism and has ceased pursuit of, and dismantled, its weapons of mass destruction and ballistic missile programs
	Report on the role of China in the evasion of sanctions on Iran, including options to	By: Secretary of State, in consultation with the heads of	Due: 120 days after enactment Future submissions: none
	strengthen enforcement and expand designations targeting PRC involvement in Iran	other appropriate Federal agencies	ruture submissions: none
	oil exports (Section 5)	To: HFAC/SFRC, HJC/SJC, HFSC/SBHUAC	
Fight and Combat Rampant Iranian	Report on diplomatic strategy to secure	By: Secretary of State, in	Due: 90 days after enactment
Missile Exports (Fight CRIME) Act Division K of P.L. 118-50 (enacted April 24, 2024)	renewal of international restrictions on Iran's missile activities, including how expiration of UN Security Council Resolution 2231 restrictions impacts Iran's arms programs (Section 4)	coordination with other appropriate Federal agencies	Future submissions: Annually thereafter for two years
		To: HFAC/SFRC, HJC/SJC, HFSC/SBHUAC	in the same is the same
	Report identifying any Iranian person who,	By: Secretary of State	Due: 90 days after enactment
	during the reporting period, has attacked a U.S. citizen using an unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) (Section 6)	To: HFAC/SFRC, HJC/SJC, HFSC/SBHUAC	Future submissions: Every 180 days thereafter, terminating 4 years after enactment
Holding Iranian Leaders Accountable Act	Report estimating total funds/assets under	By: President	Due: 180 days after enactment
Division R of P.L. 118-50 (enacted April 24, 2024)	control of various senior Iranian officials and how such funds/assets were acquired	To: House and Senate majority and minority leaders, chairman and ranking member of HFAC/SFRC and HFSC/SBHUAC	Future submissions: Every 2 years thereafter; division sunsets 5 years after enactment or 30 days after certification that Iran is not a jurisdiction of money laundering concern
	Report identifying all Iranian government	By: Secretary of the Treasury	Due: 30 days after enactment
	assets blocked by U.S. government greater than \$5 million ^a (Section 3(d))	To: Same as above	Future submissions: same as above

⁵ Report is available at https://www.eia.gov/international/content/analysis/special_topics/SHIP_Act/SHIP-Act.pdf.

Legislation	Report	Submitted By/To	Submission dates
Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024 P.L. 118-47 (enacted March 23, 2024)	Report on status of U.S. bilateral sanctions on Iran, including renewed enforcement of such and their impact on Iran's destabilizing regional activities (Section 7041(b))	By: Secretary of State, in consultation with Secretary of the Treasury To: HAC/SAC	Due: 180 days after enactment Future submissions: None
FY2024 NDAA P.L. 118-31 (enacted December 22, 2023)	Assessment of air and missile defense capabilities related to potential attacks from Iran and associated groups against military installations in CENTCOM Area of Responsibility (AOR), with a strategy to "expedite the hardening" of such installations and improve air and missile defense capabilities at them (Section 351)	By: Secretary of Defense, in coordination with CENTCOM Commander To: HAC/SAC	Due: 180 days after enactment Future submissions: Update within 180 days of submission of first report
	Strategy to build upon incorporation of Israel into CENTCOM AOR to develop a regional integrated maritime domain awareness and interdiction capability to protect against Iranian capabilities (as well as terrorist groups, criminal networks, and pirates) (Section 1261)	By: Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of State To: HAC/SAC, HFAC/SFRC, HASC/SASC	Due: 60 days after enactment Future submissions: None
	Amends FY2010 NDAA Sec. 1245 report to include, among other items, assessments of the Iranian threat to Europe and to U.S. and partner military bases, and IRGC involvement in narcotics trafficking (see Appendix A) (Section 1268)	By: Secretary of Defense To: Congress	Due: N/A Future submissions: N/A
	Amends FY2022 NDAA Sec. 1227 report to include, among other items, assessment of Iranian involvement in narcotics trade and requires update of original report within 180 days (see Appendix B) (Section 1269)	By: Director of National Intelligence (DNI) To: HASC/SASC, HPSCI/SSCI, HFAC/SFRC	Due: 180 days after enactment Future submissions: N/A

Notes: FY = Fiscal Year; NDAA = National Defense Authorization Act; HFAC = House Foreign Affairs Committee; SFRC = Senate Foreign Relations Committee; HAC/SAC = House/Senate Appropriations Committee; HASC/SASC = House/Senate Armed Services Committee; HFSC = House Financial Services Committee; SBHUAC = Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee; HJC/SJC = House/Senate Judiciary Committee; HPSCI = House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence; SSCI = Senate Select Committee on Intelligence.

a. On June 13, 2024, SBHUAC Ranking Member Tim Scott wrote to Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen requesting her to "provide a day by which I can expect the Treasury Department to comply with the law's reporting requirement." Available at https://www.banking.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/letter_to_sec_yell_re_iran_reports.pdf.

Table 2. Iran-Related Legislative Reporting Requirements in the 117th Congress (2021-2022)

Legislation	Report	Submitted By/To	Submission dates
Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 P.L. 117-328 (enacted December 29, 2022)	Report on status of U.S. bilateral sanctions on Iran, including renewed enforcement of such and their impact on Iran's destabilizing regional activities (Section 7041(b))	By: Secretary of State, in consultation with Secretary of the Treasury To: HAC/SAC	Due: 180 days after enactment Future submissions: None
Masih Alinejad Harassment and Unlawful Targeting (HUNT) Act Title II of P.L. 117-328 (December 29, 2022)	Report on state of human rights in Iran and efforts by the Iranian government to target dissidents at home and abroad (Section 204)	By: Secretary of State, in consultation with Treasury, DNI, and Attorney General To: HFAC/SFRC, HFSC/SBHUAC, HJC/SJC, and HSCI/SSCI	Due: 180 days after enactment Future submissions: Not less frequently than annually for 10 years after enactment
	Report identifying foreign financial institutions that knowingly conduct significant financial transactions with foreign persons designated as having worked for the Iranian government to harass and surveil dissidents (Section 205)	By: Secretary of the Treasury To: HFAC/SFRC, HFSC/SBHUAC, HJC/SJC, and HSCI/SSCI	Due: 30-60 days after the Section 204 report above Future submissions: Same as above
FY2023 NDAA P.L. 117-263 (December 23, 2022)	Amends FY2010 NDAA Sec. 1245 report to include Iranian support for various armed and terrorist groups (see Appendix A) (Section 1231)	By: Secretary of Defense To: Congress	Due: N/A Future submissions: N/A
	Report on "all" Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC)-affiliated operatives serving in diplomatic posts abroad and how U.S. Departments of State and Defense are working to inform partner countries of the threat posed by those officials (Section 1236)	By: Secretary of State, in consultation with Secretary of Defense To: HASC/SASC, HFAC/SFRC	Due: 180 days after enactment Future submissions: None
	Report on whether Iranian arms proliferation increased after October 2020 expiration of UN conventional arms restrictions and	By: Secretary of State, in consultation with Secretary of Defense	Due: 180 days after enactment Future submissions: None

Legislation	Report	Submitted By/To	Submission dates
	measures State/DOD are taking to constrain Iran's ability to proliferate weapons (Section 1240)	To: HASC/SASC, HFAC/SFRC	
	Report on Fifth Fleet capabilities, including assessment of seaborne threats from Iran and upgrades necessary to address them (Section 1273)	By: Secretary of Defense To: HASC/SASC	Due: 180 days after enactment Future submissions: None
	Strategy on cooperation with CENTCOM AOR partners to implement integrated air and missile defense architecture to defend against missile, UAV, and rocket attacks from Iran and Iran-linked groups (Section 1658)	By: Secretary of Defense, in consultation with State/DNI To: HASC/SASC, HFAC/SFRC, and HPSCI/SSCI	Due: 180 days after enactment Future submissions: None
	Assessment regarding Iranian uranium	By: DNI	Due: 120 days after enactment
	enrichment, nuclear weapons development, delivery vehicle development, and associated engineering and research activities (Section $5593(e)(1)$)	To: HFAC/SFRC, HAC/SAC, HASC/SASC, HECC/SENRC, and HPSCI/SSCI	Future submissions: Every 180 days thereafter until December 31, 2028
	Assessment of Iran's support for terrorist	By: DNI	Due: 120 days after enactment
	groups and other malign activities (Section $5593(e)(2)$)	To: HFAC/SFRC, HAC/SAC, HASC/SASC, HECC/SENRC, and HPSCI/SSCI	Future submissions: Annually thereafter until December 31, 2028
	Diplomatic strategy for engaging with partners regarding Iranian nuclear, proliferation, and terrorism-related activities (Section 5593(f))	By: Secretary of State, in consultation with Interagency Task Force on Nuclear Activity and Global Regional Terrorism of the Islamic Republic of Iran (which Section 5593(d) directs the Secretary of State to establish) To: HFAC/SFRC, HAC/SAC, HASC/SASC, HECC/SENRC, and	Due: 30 days after submission of 5593(e)(1) assessment above Future submissions: Annually thereafter until December 31, 2028
		HPSCI/SSCI	
	Report on activities of the DNI-designated Coordinator to lead intel community efforts to counter Iranian drones (Section 6513)	By: DNI	Due: January 1, 2024 Future submissions: None

Legislation	Report	Submitted By/To	Submission dates
		To: HASC/SASC, HFAC/SFRC, HAC/SAC Defense Subcommittees	
Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2022	Report on status of U.S. bilateral sanctions on	By: Secretary of State, in	Due: 180 days after enactment
P.L. 117-103 (enacted March 15, 2022)	Iran, including renewed enforcement of such and their impact on Iran's destabilizing regional	consultation with Secretary of the Treasury	Future submissions: None
	activities (Section 7041(b))	To: HAC/SAC	
	Assessment of activities and objectives of the Iranian Organization of Defensive Research and Innovation (Section 716)	By: DNI, in consultation with other departments as appropriate	Due: 120 days after enactment
			Future submissions: None
		To: HPSCI/SSCI, HASC/SASC. HFAC/SFRC, HAC/SAC	
FY2022 NDAA	Report on Iran's military capabilities and	By: DNI	Due: 180 days after enactment ⁶
P.L. 117-81 (enacted December 27, 2021)	related activities (see Appendix B) (Section	To: HASC/SASC, HPSCI/SSCI, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: None (update required in FY2024 NDAA)

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⁶ On February 16, 2023, Representative Claudia Tenney wrote to Director of National Intelligence Avril Haines stating that "you still have not filed this critical report with the House Foreign Affairs Committee" and asking her "to immediately submit this report to Congress." Available at https://tenney.house.gov/sites/evo-subsites/tenney.house.gov/files/evo-media-document/letter-to-dni-haines-re-fy22-ndaa-report-final.pdf.

Table 3. Iran-Related Legislative Reporting Requirements in the 116th Congress (2019-2020)

Legislation listed in reverse chronological order by date of enactment

Legislation	Report	Submitted By/To	Submission dates
Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 P.L. 116-260 (enacted December 27, 2020)	Report on status of U.S. bilateral sanctions on Iran, including renewed enforcement of such and their impact on Iran's destabilizing regional activities (Section 7041(b))	By: Secretary of State, in consultation with Secretary of the Treasury To: HAC/SAC	Due: 180 days after enactment Future submissions: None
Intelligence Authorization Act for FY2021 Division W of P.L. 116-260 (enacted December 27, 2020)	Report on Iranian government plans to acquire arms if UN restrictions are lifted and the effect of such acquisitions on regional security and stability (Section 609)	By: DNI, in consultation with heads of other intelligence community elements To: HPSCI/SSCI, HASC/SASC, HFAC/SFRC	Due: 90 days after enactment Future submissions: None
Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020 P.L. 116-94 (enacted December 20, 2019)	Report on status of U.S. bilateral sanctions on Iran, including renewed enforcement of such and their impact on Iran's destabilizing regional activities (Section 7041(b))	By: Secretary of State, in consultation with Secretary of the Treasury To: HAC/SAC, HFAC/SFRC	Due: 180 days after enactment Future submissions: N/A
FY2020 NDAA P.L. 116-92 (enacted December 20, 2019)	Report on status of U.S. diplomatic deconfliction channels with Iran (Section 1227)	By: President To: Congress	Due: 30 days after enactment Future submissions: None
Intelligence Authorizations for Fiscal Years 2018, 2019, and 2020 Division E of P.L. 116-92 (enacted December 20, 2019)	Report on Iranian efforts in Syria and Lebanon (Section 5521)	By: DNI, in coordination with Secretaries of State and Defense To: HPSCI/SSCI, HASC/SASC, HFAC/SFRC	Due: 180 days after enactment Future submissions: None
	Report on Iranian expenditures on support for certain terrorist/armed groups and on ballistic missile research/testing (Section 6705)	By: DNI To: HPSCI/SSCI	Due: 90 days after enactment Future submissions: None (but annual briefing)
Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2019 P.L. 116-6 (enacted February 15, 2019)	Report on status of U.S. and multilateral sanctions on Iran and enforcement actions (Section 7041(b))	By: Secretary of State, in consultation with Secretary of Treasury To: HAC/SAC, HFAC/SFRC	Due: 180 days after enactment Future submissions: None

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Table 4. Iran-Related Legislative Reporting Requirements in the 115th Congress (2017-2018)

Legislation	Report	Submitted By/To	Submission dates
FY2019 NDAA P.L. 115-232 (enacted August 13, 2018)	Amends FY2010 NDAA Sec. 1245 report to include information on Iranian ties with Russia and the Houthis (see Appendix A A) (Section 1236)	By: Secretary of Defense To: Congress	Due: N/A Future submissions: N/A
	Report on actions taken to enhance cooperation between U.S. and foreign partners to counter Iran (Section 1237)	By: Secretary of Defense, in consultation with Secretary of State To: HASC/SASC, HFAC/SFRC	Due: 180 days after enactment Future submissions: Annually through December 31, 2021
Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018 P.L. 115-141 (enacted March 23, 2018)	Report on status of bilateral and multilateral sanctions against Iran and enforcement actions (Section 7041(b))	By: Secretary of State, in consultation with Secretary of the Treasury To: HAC/SAC, HFAC/SFRC	Due: 180 days after enactment Future submissions: N/A
FY2018 NDAA P.L. 115-91 (enacted December 12, 2017)	Amends FY2010 NDAA Sec. 1245 report to include information on military cooperation with various countries (see Appendix A A) (Section 1225)	By: Secretary of Defense To: Congress	Due: N/A Future submissions: N/A
	Extends FY2017 Sec. 1226 report (on ballistic missile launches) from 2019 to 2022 (Section 1226)	By: N/A To: N/A	Due: N/A Future submissions: N/A
Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act (CAATSA) P.L. 115-44 (enacted August 2, 2017)	Strategy to deter Iranian threats (Section 103)	By: Secretary of State, Defense, and the Treasury and DNI "jointly" To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC/SBHUAC, and HFAC/SFRC and majority/minority leaders of both chambers	Due: 180 days after enactment Future submissions: every 2 years thereafter

Legislation	Report	Submitted By/To	Submission dates
	Report describing persons determined to have contributed to Iran's ballistic missile program (Section 104(e))	By: President To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC/SBHUAC, and HFAC/SFRC	Due: 180 days after enactment Future submissions: Every 180 days thereafter
	List of persons determined to be responsible	By: Secretary of State	Due: 90 days after enactment
	for human rights abuses in Iran (Section 106)	To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC/SBHUAC, and HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: Annually thereafter
	Report describing instances where the U.S. has imposed sanctions on a person for their involvement in Iran-related terrorism, human rights abuses, or proliferation but the EU has not, and vice versa, and explanation for any discrepancy (Section 109)	By: President To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC/SBHUAC, and HFAC/SFRC	Due: 180 days after enactment Future submissions: Every 180 days thereafter
	Report on U.S. citizens detained by Iran or	By: President	Due: 90 days after enactment
	Iran-supported groups (Section 110)	To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC/SBHUAC, and HFAC/SFRC and majority/minority leaders of both chambers	Future submissions: Every 180 days thereafter
	Report on cooperation between Iran and	By: President	Due: 180 days after enactment
	North Korea (Section 316)	To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC/SBHUAC, and HFAC/SFRC and majority/minority leaders of both chambers	Future submissions: Annually thereafter for 5 years
Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 P.L. 115-31 (enacted May 5, 2017)	Report on status of U.S. and multilateral sanctions on Iran and enforcement actions (Section 7041(b))	By: Secretary of State, in consultation with Secretary of the Treasury	Due: 180 days after enactment Future submissions: None
		To: HAC/SAC, HFAC/SFRC	

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Table 5. Iran-Related Legislative Reporting Requirements in the 114th Congress (2015-2016)

Legislation	Report	Submitted By/To	Submission dates
FY2017 NDAA	Amends FY2010 NDAA Sec. 1245 report to	By: Secretary of Defense	Due: N/A
P.L. 114-328 (December 23, 2016)	include information on Iranian cyber capabilities (see Appendix A A) (Section 1225)	To: Congress	Future submissions: N/A
	Report (concurrent with report below) on any	By: DNI	Due: By the end of first fiscal
	confirmed ballistic missile launches by Iran (Section 1226(a))	To: HASC/SASC, HFAC/SFRC, HFSC/SBHUAC, HPSCI/SSCI	year quarter beginning with enactment
			Future submissions: Quarterly until December 31, 2019
	Report (concurrent with report above) on efforts to impose unilateral or multilateral sanctions against appropriate individuals in	By: Secretary of State, in consultation with Secretary of Treasury	Due: By the end of first fiscal year quarter beginning with enactment
	connection with confirmed ballistic missile launches (Section 1226(b))	To: HASC/SASC, HFAC/SFRC, HFSC/SBHUAC, HPSCI/SSCI	Future submissions: Quarterly until December 31, 2019
Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016	Report on status of bilateral and multilateral	By: Secretary of State, in	Due: 180 days after enactment
P.L. 114-113 (December 18, 2015)	sanctions against Iran and enforcement (Section 7041(b))	consultation with Secretary of the Treasury	Future submissions: None
		To: HAC/SAC, HFAC/SFRC	
Intelligence Authorization Act for FY2016	Report on monetary value of sanctions relief	By: DNI, in consultation with	Due: 180 days after enactment
Division M of P.L. 114-113 (December 18, 2015)	to Iran and how Iran has used funds, including	Treasury	Future submissions: Every 180
	to provide support for sanctioned individuals/entities (Section 514)	To: HFSC/SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC, HWMC/SFC, HPSCI/SSCI	days while Joint Plan of Action is in effect and within I year of subsequent nuclear agreement with Iran
FY2016 NDAA	Extends FY2010 NDAA Sec. 1245 reporting	By: Secretary of Defense	Due: N/A
P.L. 114-92 (November 25, 2015)	requirement through 2025 and amends report to include Iranian cyber capabilities and FY2014 NDAA Sec. 1232 to do same (see Appendix A) (Section 1231)	To: Congress	Future submissions: N/A

Legislation	Report	Submitted By/To	Submission dates
	Report on any military-to-military engagements between United States and Iran (Section 1233)	By: Secretary of Defense To: HASC/SASC, HFAC/SFRC	Due: One year after enactment Future submissions: Annually thereafter for 2 years
Iran Nuclear Agreement Review Act (INARA) P.L. 114-17 (enacted May 22, 2015)	Report assessing extent to which Secretary of State will be able to verify Iranian compliance with agreement and adequacy of safeguards and IAEA capacity to implement verification regime (Section 2, adding Sec. 135(a)(1) to Atomic Energy Act of 1954)	By: President To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC/SBHUAC, HPSCI/SSCI, HFAC/SFRC, majority/minority leaders of both houses	Due: Within 5 calendar days of reaching an agreement with Iran related to its nuclear program Future submissions: None
	Report on Iran's nuclear program and adherence to agreement	By: President To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC/SBHUAC, HPSCI/SSCI, HFAC/SFRC, majority/minority leaders of both houses	Due: 180 days of enactment Future submissions: At least every 180 days thereafter

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Table 6. Iran-Related Legislative Reporting Requirements in the 113th Congress (2013-2014)

Legislation	Report	Submitted By/To	Submission dates
FY2015 NDAA	Report on Iranian compliance with interim	By: President	Due: 30 days after enactment
P.L. 113-291 (enacted December 19, 2014)	nuclear agreement (Section 1271)	To: HASC/SASC, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: 90 days after renewal of interim agreement or final agreement, and every 180 days thereafter for 10 years
	Extends FY2010 NDAA Sec. 1245 reporting requirement through 2016 (see Appendix A) (Section 1277)	By: Secretary of Defense To: Congress	Due: N/A Future submissions: N/A

Legislation	Report	Submitted By/To	Submission dates
Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 P.L. 113-235 (enacted December 16, 2014)	Report on implementation of Joint Plan of Action (Section 7041(b))	By: Secretary of State To: HAC/SAC, HFAC/SFRC	Due: 30 days after enactment Future submissions: Every 30 days thereafter
FY2014 NDAA P.L. 113-66 (enacted December 26, 2013)	Report detailing sensor capabilities to defend U.S. homeland from future Iranian long range ballistic missile threats (Section 235)	By: Secretary of Defense To: HASC/SASC	Due: 180 days after enactment Future submissions: None
	Amends FY2010 NDAA Sec. 1245 report to include "structure of Iran's global network of terrorist and criminal groups" (see Appendix A) (Section 1232)	By: Secretary of Defense To: Congress	Due: N/A Future submissions: N/A

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Table 7. Iran-Related Legislative Reporting Requirements in the 112th Congress (2011-2012)

Legislation	Report	Submitted By/To	Submission dates
FY2013 NDAA	Report on efforts to improve homeland	By: Secretary of Defense	Due: 180 days after enactment
P.L. 112-239 (enacted January 2, 2013)	ballistic missile defense capabilities, including those needed to defeat missiles launched from Iran (Section 228)	To: HASC/SASC	Future submissions: None
	Report assessing adequacy of defense against	By: Secretary of Defense	Due: 180 days after enactment
	Iranian missile attacks against U.S. troops deployed in Europe (Section 229)	To: HASC/SASC	Future submissions: None
	PRC, North Korea, and Iran (Section 1231)	By: Chairman of Joint Chiefs of Staff, in consultation with relevant combatant command commanders	Due: 90 days after enactment (or March 31, 2014)
			Future submissions: None
		To: HASC/SASC	
	Report on military capabilities of GCC states,	By: Secretary of Defense, in	Due: 180 days of enactment
including to defend collectively against Iran (Section 1232)	consultation with Secretary of State	Future submissions: None	

Legislation	Report	Submitted By/To	Submission dates
		To: HASC/SASC, HFAC/SFRC, HAC/SAC	
Iran Freedom and Counterproliferation Act (IFCA)	Report on large vessels that have entered Tidewater Middle East Company-controlled	By: President	Due: 180 days of enactment
Subtitle D of P.L. 112-239 (enacted January 2, 2013)	seaports in Iran and airports at which sanctioned Iran air carriers have landed (Section 1252)	To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC/SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC, HASC/SASC	Future submissions: Annually through 2016
Countering Iran in the Western	Strategy to address Iranian activities in the	By: Secretary of State	Due: 180 days after enactment
Hemisphere Act of 2012 P.L. 112-220 (enacted December 28, 2012)	Western Hemisphere (Section 5)	To: HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: None
Iran Threat Reduction and Syria Human	Report on diplomatic efforts to expand	By: President	Due: 180 days after enactment
Rights Act of 2012 (ITRSHRA) P.L. 112-158 (enacted August 10, 2012)	multilateral sanctions on Iran (Section 102(b))	To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC/SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: Every 180 days thereafter
	conduct significant financial transactions with coordination with Secretary of		Due: 90 days after enactment
		Future submissions: Every 90 days thereafter	
		,	days thereafter
	Report on effect of sanctions on Iranian	By: Secretary of the Treasury	Due: 180 days after enactment
	economy and financial system (Section 216)	To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC/SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: Every 180 days thereafter
	Report on persons who provide specialist	By: President	Due: 60 days after enactment
	financial messaging services to the Central Bank of Iran or other financial institutions and assessment of efforts to end the provision of such services (Section 220)	To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC/SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: Every 90 days thereafter
	Report on all foreign investors in energy sector of Iran (Section 223)	By: Comptroller General	Due: 120 days after enactment
		To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC/SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: Update one year after first report
	Made CISADA Sec 110 report (on volume of	By: President	Due: 180 days after enactment
	import to/export from Iran of oil and gas) recurring, due every 180 days (Section 224)	To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC/SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: Every 180 days thereafter

Legislation	Report	Submitted By/To	Submission dates
	Report on foreign persons identified as	By: President	Due: 90 days after enactment
	supporting or engaging with the IRGC (Section 302)	To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC/SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: Every 180 days thereafter
	Report on foreign government agencies	By: President	Due: 120 days after enactment
	identified as supporting or engaging with IRGC or entities subject to financial sanctions pursuant to UN resolutions (Section 303)	To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC/SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: Every 180 days thereafter
	Report on whether specified Iranian leaders	By: Secretary of State	Due: 180 days after enactment
	are responsible for human rights abuses in Iran (Section 401)	To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC/SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: None
	Report on persons determined to have	By: President	Due: 90 days after enactment
	transferred to Iran specified goods or technologies that enable the government to commit human rights abuses (Section 402)	To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC/SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: Updates required "as new information becomes available"
	Report on Iranian natural gas exports (Section By: Administrator of En	By: Administrator of Energy	Due: 60 days after enactment
	505(a))	Information Administration To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC/SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: None
	Report assessing extent to which natural gas	By: President	Due: 60 days after receiving EIA
	revenues are enriching Iranian government and	To: HWMC/SFC,	report above
	whether a sanctions regime similar to that imposed with respect to petroleum could be effectively applied to Iranian natural gas (Section 505(b))	HFSC/SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: None
	Report listing international organizations of	By: Secretary of State	Due: 180 days after enactment
	which Iran is a member and detailing the amount the U.S. contributes to each organization (Section 506)	To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC/SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: By September I of each year thereafter
FY2012 NDAA	Review of Iran's (and China's) conventional	By: Comptroller General	Due: By January 31, 2013
P.L. 112-81 (enacted December 31, 2011)	and anti-access capabilities and U.S. capabilities to overcome them (Section 1232)	To: HASC/SASC	Future submissions: None

Legislation	Report	Submitted By/To	Submission dates
	Report on efforts to carry out multilateral	By: President	Due: 180 days after enactment
	diplomatic initiative to persuade Iranian oil- buying countries to limit Iran's use of oil revenues to purchases of consumer goods and prohibit Iran's weapons purchases, and to conduct outreach to other countries to encourage oil producers to increase their output (Section 1245(e))	To: Congress	Future submissions: Every 180 days thereafter

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Table 8. Iran-Related Legislative Reporting Requirements in the 111th Congress (2009-2010)

Legislation	Report	Submitted By/To	Submission dates
FY2011 NDAA	Report assessing merits of multilateral or	By: Secretary of Defense, in coordination with Secretary of State	Due: I year after enactment
P.L. 111-383 (enacted January 7, 2011)	bilateral Incidents at Sea military-to-military agreement between U.S., Iran, and other		Future submissions: None
	countries operating in Persian Gulf (Section 1240)	To: HASC/SASC, HFAC/SFRC	
Comprehensive Iran Sanctions and	Amends Section 10 of the ISA to add report	By: President	Due: 90 days after enactment
Divestment Act (CISADA)	on G20 trade with Iran (Section 102(d))	To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC,	Future submissions: Annually
P.L. 111-195 (enacted July 1, 2010)		SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC	thereafter
	Report on diplomatic efforts to dissuade foreign persons from engaging in Iran's petroleum export activities, and successes/failures of those efforts (Section 102(h))	By: President	Due: 11 months after enactment
		To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC, SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: None
	Report listing Iranian officials determined to be responsible for serious human rights abuses (Section 105)	By: President	Due: 270 days after enactment
		To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC, SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: Every 180 days thereafter

Legislation	Report	Submitted By/To	Submission dates
	Report assessing effect of prohibition on	By: Comptroller General	Due: I year after enactment
	exports of sensitive technology to Iran (Section 106)	To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC, SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: None
	Report on investments in Iranian energy	By: President	Due: 90 days after enactment
	sector (Section 110)	To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC, SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: Every 180 days thereafter
	Report on foreign export credit agencies	By: President	Due: 90 days after enactment
	activities comparable to those described in Sections 5(a) or 5(b) of the Iran Sanctions Act (Section 1)	To: HWMC/SFC, HFSC, SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: "as new information becomes available"
	Report of countries believed to be allowing	By: DNI	Due: 180 days after enactment
	the diversion to Iran of goods to develop weapons of mass destruction/missiles or support terrorism (Section 302)	To: President; Secretaries of Defense, Commerce State, and the Treasury; and HWMC/SFC, HFSC, SBHUAC, HFAC/SFRC	Future submissions: Updates "not less frequently than annually"
Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010	Report on status of bilateral and multilateral	By: Secretary of State	Due: 90 days after enactment
P.L. 111-117 (enacted December 16, 2009)	efforts to curtail Iran's pursuit of nuclear weapons technology (Section 7043(c)(I))	To: HAC/SAC	Future submissions: Every 90 days thereafter until September 30, 2010
	Report on status of bilateral and multilateral sanctions against Iran, including list of all sanctions, enforcement efforts, waivers, and related diplomatic efforts (Section 7043(c)(2))	By: Secretary of State, in	Due: 180 days after enactment
		consultation with Secretary of the Treasury	Future submissions: None
		To: Congress	
FY2010 NDAA	Report on diplomatic engagement with Iran, as	By: President	Due: By January 31, 2010
P.L. 111-84 (enacted October 28, 2009)	well as Iran's support for terrorism and nuclear activities and all U.S. sanctions against Iran (Section 1241)	To: Congress	Future submissions: None
	Annual report on military power of Iran,	By: Secretary of Defense	Due: By January 30 of each year
	including Iranian strategies and capabilities (see Appendix A) (Section 1245)	To: Congress	Future submissions: Until December 31, 2014 ^a
Victims of Iranian Censorship Act	Report on U.Sfunded international	By: President	Due: 90 days after enactment
	broadcasting efforts in Iran, efforts by Iran to	To: Congress	

Legislation	Report	Submitted By/To	Submission dates
Subtitle D of P.L. 111-84 (enacted October 28, 2009)	block international broadcasting or internet access, and Iranians' access to the internet (Section 1264)		Future submissions: Annually thereafter for 5 years
	Report on U.Sfunded international broadcasting efforts in Iran, efforts by Iran to block international broadcasting or internet access, and Iranians' access to the internet (Section 1265)	By: President	Due: 180 days after enactment
		To: Congress	Future submissions: None
Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009	Report on status of bilateral and multilateral sanctions against Iran, including list of all sanctions, enforcement efforts, waivers, and related diplomatic efforts (Section 7043)	By: Secretary of State	Due: 180 days after enactment
P.L. 111-8 (enacted March 11, 2009)		To: HAC/SAC	Future submissions: None

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a. Later extended through 2016 (P.L. 113-291) and 2025 (P.L. 114-92)

Appendix A. Legislative History of Annual Report on Military Power of Iran (Sec. 1245 of the FY2010 NDAA)

Changes since FY2010, shaded by NDAA year(s)

FY2014-16 FY2017 FY2018 FY2019 FY2023 FY2024 FY2025

SEC. 1245. ANNUAL REPORT ON MILITARY POWER OF IRAN.

- (a) ANNUAL REPORT.—Not later than January 30 of each year, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to Congress a report, in both classified and unclassified form, on the current and future military strategy of Iran.
- (b) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The report required under subsection (a) shall include a description of the security posture of Iran, including at least the following:
 - (I) A description and assessment of Iranian grand strategy, security strategy, and military strategy, including—
 - (A) the goals of Iran's grand strategy, security strategy, and military strategy;
 - (B) any adjustments to the use of proxy forces by Iran;

FY2025

- (BC) trends in Iran's strategy that would be designed to establish Iran as the leading power in the Middle East and to enhance the influence of Iran in other regions of the world; and
- (€ D) Iranian strategy regarding other countries in the region, including other specified countries; and
- (₱ E) Iranian strategy regarding offensive cyber capabilities and defensive cyber capabilities.

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(2) An assessment of the capabilities of Iran's conventional forces and Iran's unconventional or parallel military forces, including—

FY2024

- (A) the size and capabilities of Iran's conventional forces;
- (B) an analysis of the effectiveness of Iran's conventional forces when facing United States forces in the region and other specified countries;
- (C) a description of Iranian military doctrine, including Iranian anti-access or area denial and other maritime harassment capabilities; and

FY2025

- (D) an estimate of the funding provided for each branch of Iran's conventional forces.
- (3) An assessment of Iran's unconventional forces and related activities, including—
 - (A) the size and capability of Iranian special operations units, including the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps—Quds Force;

FY2025

(B) the types and amount of support, including funding, lethal and non-lethal supplies, and training, provided to groups designated by the United States as foreign terrorist organizations, regional militant groups, and Iranian-linked proxy groups, in particular those forces as having been assessed as to be willing to carry out terrorist operations on behalf of Iran or in response to a military attack by another country on Iran; and regional militant groups, including Hezbollah, Hamas, the Houthis, and the Special Groups in Iraq, in particular those forces as having been assessed as to be willing to carry out terrorist operations on behalf of Iran or in response to a military attack by another country on Iran;

FY2023

(C) the types and amount of support to be assessed under subparagraph (B) shall include support provided to Lebanese Hezbollah, Hamas, Palestinian

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Islamic Jihad, the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, Asa'ib ahl al-Haq, Harakat Hezbollah al-Nujaba, Kata'ib Sayyid alShuhada, Kata'ib al-Imam Ali, Kata'ib Hezbollah, the Badr Organization, the Fatemiyoun, the Zainabiyoun, and Ansar Allah (also known as the 'Houthis');

- (D) the threat from Special Groups in Iraq, including Kata'ib Hezbollah and Asa'ib Ahl al-Haq, to United States and coalition forces located in Iraq and Syria;
- (E) the role of Iran in supporting, facilitating, directing, or conducting attacks on United States forces in the region;

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- (€ [F]) an analysis of the effectiveness of Iran's unconventional forces when facing United States forces in the region and other specified countries in the region; and
- (EFG) an estimate of the amount of funds spent by Iran to develop and support special operations forces and terrorist groups; and
- (E S H) a description of the structure of Iran's global network of terrorist and criminal groups and an analysis of the capability of such network of groups and how such network of groups operates to support and reinforce Iran's grand strategy; and

FY14-16

- (F) offensive cyber capabilities and defensive cyber capabilities; and
- (F 1) Iran's cyber capabilities, including—

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- (i) Iran's ability to use proxies and other actors to mask its cyber operations;
- (ii) Iran's ability to target United States governmental and nongovernmental entities and activities; and
- (iii) cooperation with or assistance from state and non-state actors in support or enhancement of Iran's cyber capabilities;

(Iranian ability to manipulate the information environment both domestically and against the interests of the United States and its allies, and

FY14-16

(JK) all formal or informal agreements involving a strategic military or security partnership with the Russian Federation, the People's Republic of China, or any proxies of either such country.

FY2023

- (4) An assessment of Iranian capabilities related to nuclear and missile forces, including—
 - (A) a summary of nuclear weapons capabilities and developments in the preceding year;
 - (B) a summary of the capabilities of Iran's ballistic missile forces, including developments in the preceding year, the size of Iran's ballistic missile forces and Iran's cruise missile forces, and the locations of missile launch sites missile launch and storage sites, storage, and production sites;

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- (C) a detailed analysis of the effectiveness of Iran's ballistic missile forces and Iran's cruise missile forces when facing United States forces in the region and other specified countries; and
- (D) an estimate of the amount of funding expended by Iran since 2004 on programs to develop a capability to build nuclear weapons or to enhance Iran's ballistic missile forces.
- (E) an assessment of Iran's space launch vehicle program and the ability of Iran to use those technologies to develop and field an intermediate-range ballistic missile or an intercontinental ballistic missile;

FY2024 FY2025 (F) a detailed analysis of the effectiveness of Iran's drone forces and the exportation of Iranian drones to the Middle East and Europe; and FY2024 FY2025

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(G) a description or estimation of the threat posed by Iran's Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps to European citizens or to member countries of the European Union.

(5) An assessment of transfers to and from Iran of military equipment, technology, and training from non Iranian sources from or to non-Iranian sources or destinations, including transfers that pertain to nuclear development, ballistic missiles, and chemical, biological, and advanced conventional weapons, weapon systems, and delivery vehicles.

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- (6) An assessment of the use of civilian transportation assets and infrastructure, including commercial aircraft, airports, commercial vessels, and seaports, used to transport illicit military cargo to or from Iran, including military personnel, military goods, weapons, military-related electric parts, and related components.
- (7) An assessment of military-to-military cooperation between Iran and foreign counties, including the People's Republic of China, Cuba, North Korea, Pakistan, the Russian Federation, Sudan, Syria, Venezuela, and any other country designated by the Secretary of Defense with additional reference to cooperation and collaboration on the trafficking or development of nuclear, biological, chemical, and advanced conventional weapons, weapon systems, and delivery vehicles.

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- (8) An assessment of the extent to which the commercial aviation sector of Iran knowingly provides financial, material, or technological support to the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps, the Ministry of Defense and Armed Forces Logistics of Iran, the Bashar al-Assad regime, Hezbollah, Hamas, Kata'ib Hezbollah, or any other foreign terrorist organization.
- (9) An assessment of the use of civilians by groups supported by Iran to shield military objectives from attack, including groups such as—

FY2025

- (A) Hezbollah, Hamas, and the Houthis; and
- (B) the Special Groups in Iraq.
- (9 10) An assessment of the threat posed by Iran against United States and partner military bases, to include missile, unmanned aircraft systems, and loitering munition attacks.

FY2024

- (14) An assessment of the sale, supply, or transfer of narcotics in the Middle East region by the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps and Iran backed groups.
- (H12) An assessment of groups that are supported by Iran and designated by the United States as foreign terrorist organizations and regional military groups, including Hezbollah, Hamas, the Houthis, and the Special Groups in Iraq, in particular those forces as having been assessed as to be willing to carry out terrorist operations on behalf of Iran.
- (12-13) An assessment of how Iran would utilize additional resources to further activities described in paragraphs (1) through (9-12).
- (14) An assessment of the manner and extent to which the advances or improvements in the capabilities of Iran's conventional and unconventional forces described in this section have affected Israel's qualitative military edge during the preceding year.

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- (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:
 - (I) IRAN'S CONVENTIONAL FORCES.—The term "Iran's conventional forces"—
 - (A) means military forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran designed to conduct operations on sea, air, or land, other than Iran's unconventional forces and Iran's ballistic missile forces and Iran's cruise missile forces; and

- (B) includes Iran's Army, Iran's Air Force, Iran's Navy, and elements of the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps, other than the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps—Quds Force.
- (2) IRAN'S UNCONVENTIONAL FORCES.—The term "Iran's unconventional forces"—
 - (A) means forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran that carry out missions typically associated with special operations forces; and
 - (B) includes—
 - (i) the Iranian Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps—Quds Force; and

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- (ii) any organization that—
- (I) has been designated a terrorist organization by the United States;
- (II) receives assistance from Iran; and
- (III) (aa) is assessed as being willing in some or all cases of carrying out attacks on behalf of Iran; or
 - (bb) is assessed as likely to carry out attacks in response to a military attack by another country on Iran or its regional interests.

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- (3) IRAN'S BALLISTIC MISSILE FORCES.—The term "Iran's ballistic missile forces" means those elements of the military forces of Iran that employ ballistic missiles.
- (4) IRAN'S CRUISE MISSILE FORCES.—The term "Iran's cruise missile forces" means those elements of the military forces of Iran that employ cruise missiles capable of flights less than 500 kilometers.
- (5) SPECIFIED COUNTRIES.—The term "specified countries" means the countries in the same geographic region as Iran, including Israel, Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, Iraq, Afghanistan, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Bahrain, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Armenia, and Azerbaijan.
- (d) TERMINATION.—The requirement to submit the report required under subsection (a) shall terminate on December 31, 2014 December 31, 2025 December 31, 2026.

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Source: CRS.

Appendix B. Legislative History of Report on Military Capabilities of Iran and Related Activities (Sec. 1227 of the FY2022 NDAA)

Changes since FY2023, shaded by NDAA year(s)

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Sec. 1227. REPORT ON THE MILITARY CAPABILITIES OF IRAN AND RELATED **ACTIVITIES**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act and annually thereafter for I year, the Director of National Intelligence, consistent with the protection of intelligence sources and methods, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report that includes the following:

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- (I) A detailed description of each of the following:
 - (A) Advancements in the military capabilities of Iran, including capabilities of all branches of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps, including the Quds Force, the Artesh, and the Basij.

FY2025

- (B) All known instances of the supply, sale, or transfer of arms or related materiel and technologies as described in the Missile Technology Control Regime, including spare parts, to or from Iran.
- (C) All known instances of ballistic and cruise missile launches by Iran, including for the purposes of testing and development or use in military operations.

FY2024

(D) Changes to the military capabilities of Iran-backed groups, most notably Lebanese Hezbollah, Hamas, Palestinian Islamic Jihad, Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, Asa'ib ahl alHaq, Harakat Hezbollah al-Nujaba, Kata'ib Sayyid alShuhada, Kata'ib al-Imam Ali, Kata'ib Hezbollah, the Badr Organization, the Fatemiyoun, the Zainabiyoun, and Ansar Allah (also known as the Houthis).

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- (2) An assessment of each of the following:
 - (A) Impacts that the imposition or revocation of unilateral United States economic sanctions on Iran may have on the military capabilities of entities described in subparagraphs (A) and (D) of paragraph (1), and on the proliferation, procurement, and production networks of Iran's drone program.

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- (B) Acts of violence and intimidation that Iranian-backed militias in Iraq have committed against Iraqi civilians.
- (C) The threat that Iranian-backed militias in Iraq pose to United States personnel in Iraq and in the Middle East, including United States Armed Forces and diplomats.
- (D) The threat Iranian-backed militias in Iraq pose to United States partners in the region.
- (E) The role that Iranian-backed militias in Iraq, including the Badr Organization, play in Iraq's armed forces and security services, including Irag's Popular Mobilization Forces.
- (F) The United Nations The effect of the United Nations arms embargo on Iran's ability to supply, sell, or transfer, directly or indirectly, arms or related materiel while the embargo was in effect, and the effect of its expiration on these Iranian proliferation activities.

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- (G) Iran's use of kidnapping operations against United States citizens and an analysis of opportunities to counter such actions or impose costs on Iran.
- (H) Iranian involvement in regional narcotics trade, to include the following:

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(i) Any element of the Government of Iran, including the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (in this section referred to as the 'IRGC') and any Iran-backed group operating in Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, or Yemen, that supports the sale, supply, or transfer of narcotics, and any of their precursors, in the Middle East region.

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- (ii) The benefits accrued from the sale, supply, and transfer of narcotics in the region by any element of the Government of Iran, including the IRGC and any Iran-backed groups operating in Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, or Yemen.
- (iii) All foreign terrorist organizations to or for which the IRGC, or any person owned or controlled by the IRGC, provides material support in the sale, supply, transfer, or production of captagon or other related narcotics or precursors in the Middle East and North Africa.
- (iv) Activities conducted by the IRGC and the Ministry of Intelligence and FY2025
- Security (MOIS) in Afghanistan related to the trade of methamphetamine or opiates, including synthetic opiates. (v) All intercepted transfers involving the United States Fifth Fleet of narcotics from Iran or involving Iranian nationals or persons acting, or

purporting to act, for or on behalf of the Government of Iran,

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including the IRGC and MOIS. (I) Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps-affiliated operatives and MOIS agents serving in diplomatic and consular posts, cultural centers, religious institutions, and religious functions outside of Iran and actions taken by the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of State, and the heads of the elements of the intelligence community (as such term is defined in section 3 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003), consistent with the necessary protections for sources and methods, to reduce the influence of such operations, including disinformation operations,

recruitment of local assets, and targeting United States nationals and

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(b) TIME PERIOD.—Except as otherwise provided, the report required by subsection (a) shall cover developments during the period beginning in June 2018 and ending on the day before the date on which the report is submitted.

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(c) UPDATED REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act of 2024 and annually thereafter for a period not to exceed 2 years, the Director of National Intelligence shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees an updated report that includes each of the matters listed in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (a) and covers developments during the period beginning in June 2022 on the day after the previous report was submitted and ending on the day before the date on which the updated report is submitted.

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(e d) FORM.—The report required by subsection (a), and the updated report required by

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subsection (b), shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex. (& e) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DEFINED.—In this section, the term "appropriate congressional committees" means—(1) the congressional defense

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committees; (2) the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate; and (3) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives.

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