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## AN ACT

To require a strategy to oppose financial or material support by foreign countries to the Taliban, 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. STRATEGY TO OPPOSE FINANCIAL OR MATE-**  
2 **RIAL SUPPORT BY FOREIGN COUNTRIES TO**  
3 **THE TALIBAN.**

4 (a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the  
5 United States to oppose the provision of financial or mate-  
6 rial support by foreign countries to the Taliban that is  
7 inconsistent with United States law or policy.

8 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date  
9 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall  
10 submit to the appropriate congressional committees a re-  
11 port identifying, to the maximum extent possible—

12 (1) foreign countries that have provided finan-  
13 cial or material support to the Taliban since Sep-  
14 tember 1, 2021, that is inconsistent with United  
15 States law or policy, including—

16 (A) the amount of United States-provided  
17 foreign assistance each country receives, if any;

18 (B) the amount of financial or material  
19 support each country has provided to the  
20 Taliban; and

21 (C) a description of how the Taliban has  
22 utilized such financial or material support; and

23 (2) efforts the United States has taken since  
24 September 1, 2021, to oppose foreign countries from  
25 providing financial or material support to the

1 Taliban if doing so is inconsistent with United  
2 States law or policy.

3 (c) STRATEGY AND REPORTS.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
5 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
6 retary of State shall develop a strategy to discourage  
7 foreign countries from providing financial or mate-  
8 rial support to the Taliban that is inconsistent with  
9 United States law or policy.

10 (2) REPORTS.—

11 (A) INITIAL REPORT.—Not later than the  
12 date on which the strategy required by para-  
13 graph (1) is completed, the Secretary of State  
14 shall submit to the appropriate congressional  
15 committees a report detailing the strategy and  
16 a plan for its implementation.

17 (B) SUBSEQUENT REPORTS.—

18 (i) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180  
19 days after the date on which the strategy  
20 required by paragraph (1) is completed,  
21 and annually thereafter for 5 years, the  
22 Secretary of State shall submit to the ap-  
23 propriate congressional committees a re-  
24 port on the implementation of the strategy,  
25 including the impact of the strategy in dis-

1                   courageing foreign countries from providing  
2                   financial or material support to the  
3                   Taliban that is inconsistent with United  
4                   States law or policy.

5                   (ii) FORM.—The report required by  
6                   this subparagraph shall be submitted in  
7                   unclassified form, but may contain a clas-  
8                   sified annex if necessary.

9           (d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES  
10   DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate con-  
11   gressional committees” means—

12               (1) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the  
13               Committee on Appropriations of the House of Rep-  
14               resentatives; and

15               (2) the Committee on Foreign Relations and  
16               the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate.

17   **SEC. 2. REPORT ON DIRECT CASH ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS**  
18                   **IN AFGHANISTAN.**

19           (a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the United  
20   States Agency for International Development, in consulta-  
21   tion with the Secretary of State, shall submit to the appro-  
22   priate congressional committees a report on United States  
23   Government-funded direct cash assistance programs in Af-  
24   ghanistan during the period beginning on August 1, 2021,  
25   and ending on the date that is 30 days after the date of

1 enactment of this Act. The report shall be submitted in  
2 conjunction with the submission of the Fiscal Year 2023  
3 Annual Financial Report of the United States Agency for  
4 International Development.

5 (b) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The report re-  
6 quired by subsection (a) shall, with respect to such direct  
7 cash assistance programs, include—

8 (1) a description of method of payments;

9 (2) a description of how and where currency ex-  
10 changes occur;

11 (3) a description of if and how hawalas are  
12 used and the oversight mechanisms in place regard-  
13 ing use of hawalas to transfer funds in United  
14 States Government funded direct cash assistance  
15 programs in Afghanistan; and

16 (4) a description of safeguards, including over-  
17 sight processes, to prevent the Taliban from access-  
18 ing cash assistance under such programs.

19 (c) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-  
20 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congres-  
21 sional committees” means—

22 (1) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the  
23 Committee on Appropriations of the House of Rep-  
24 resentatives; and

1           (2) the Committee on Foreign Relations and  
2           the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate.

3 **SEC. 3. REPORT ON STATUS OF AFGHAN FUND.**

4           (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the  
5           date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter,  
6           the Secretary of State shall submit to the appropriate con-  
7           gressional committees a report on the status of the Afghan  
8           Fund.

9           (b) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The report re-  
10          quired by subsection (a) shall include, to the maximum  
11          extent possible—

12                (1) a description of the Taliban’s influence over  
13                Da Afghanistan Bank, including a list of Taliban  
14                members employed by such Bank or serving on its  
15                board of directors;

16                (2) a description of the Afghan Fund’s board of  
17                trustees, including the process for vetting and selec-  
18                tion of trustees;

19                (3) the conditions necessary for the United  
20                States Government to support disbursements from  
21                the Afghan Fund to Da Afghanistan Bank;

22                (4) how the Afghan Fund’s board of trustees  
23                determines the Fund’s activities, including what  
24                kind of information will inform the board’s decisions,

(5) a description of what controls have been put into place to ensure funds and disbursements are not diverted to or misused by the Taliban.

(c) SUNSET.—This section shall terminate on the date that all disbursements from the Afghan Fund have been made.

9 (d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES  
10 DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate con-  
11 gressional committees” means—

(1) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the  
Committee on Financial Services of the House of  
Representatives; and

(2) the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs of the Senate.

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Attest: KEVIN F. MCCUMBER,  
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