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H. R. 8372

To prohibit the exercise of authorities under the International Emergency Economic Powers Act with respect to the United Nations and related organizations.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CASTRO of Texas (for himself and Mr. MCGOVERN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

A BILL

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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 “Multilateral Leader-
5 ship Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON EXERCISE OF AUTHORITIES**
2 **UNDER THE INTERNATIONAL EMERGENCY**
3 **ECONOMIC POWERS ACT WITH RESPECT TO**
4 **THE UNITED NATIONS AND RELATED ORGA-**
5 **NIZATIONS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 203 of the International
7 Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1702) is
8 amended—

9 (1) by redesignating subsection (c) as sub-
10 section (d); and

11 (2) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-
12 lowing:

13 “(c) UNITED NATIONS AND RELATED ORGANIZA-
14 TIONS.—

15 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The authority granted to
16 the President by this section does not include the
17 authority—

18 “(A) to regulate or prohibit, directly or in-
19 directly, transactions involving an organization
20 described in paragraph (2); or

21 “(B) to block the property or property in-
22 terests of a person, including by adding such
23 person to the list of specially designated nation-
24 als and blocked persons or imposing any similar
25 restriction, for actions taken in such person’s

1 capacity as an official or expert on mission of
2 an organization described in paragraph (2).

3 “(2) ORGANIZATION DESCRIBED.—An organiza-
4 tion described in this paragraph is—

5 “(A) the United Nations or any program,
6 fund, specialized agency, or other entity or body
7 of the United Nations; or

8 “(B) an international organization that
9 has entered into a relationship agreement with
10 the United Nations.

11 “(3) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection—

12 “(A) the term ‘expert on mission’ means
13 an individual who is considered an expert on
14 mission under the Convention on Privileges and
15 Immunities of the United Nations; and

16 “(B) the term ‘list of specially designated
17 nationals and blocked persons’ means the list of
18 specially designated nationals and blocked per-
19 sons maintained by the Office of Foreign Assets
20 Control of the Department of the Treasury.”.

21 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
22 this section take effect on the date of the enactment of
23 this Act and apply with respect to the exercise of the au-
24 thority granted to the President by section 203 of the

- 1 International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50
- 2 U.S.C. 1702) on or after such date of enactment.

