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H. R. 8955

To counter Russian influence and aggression in Ukraine.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 22, 2022

Mr. CONNOLLY (for himself and Mr. CHABOT) 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 “Ukrainian Territorial
5 Integrity Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. COUNTERING RUSSIAN INFLUENCE AND AGGRES-**
7 **SION IN UKRAINE.**

8 (a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the
9 United States not to recognize the Russian Federation’s
10 claim of sovereignty over, or independence, of any part of
11 Ukraine occupied by Russian forces, including Crimea and
12 the Donetsk and Luhansk regions.

1 (b) PROHIBITION.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—None of the funds author-
3 ized to be appropriated or otherwise made available
4 to any Federal department or agency may be used
5 to provide assistance for the central government of
6 a country that the Secretary of State determines
7 and reports to the appropriate congressional com-
8 mittees—

9 (A) has recognized the independence of, or
10 has established diplomatic relations with, any
11 region located in the territory of Ukraine that
12 is occupied by the Russian Federation or under
13 the control of Russian-backed separatists, in-
14 cluding Crimea and the Donetsk and Luhansk
15 regions; or

16 (B) has taken affirmative steps intended to
17 support or be supportive of the Russian Federa-
18 tion annexation of Crimea or other territory in
19 Ukraine.

20 (2) PUBLICATION OF LIST OF CENTRAL GOV-
21 ERNMENTS.—The Secretary of State shall publish
22 on the Department of State website a list of such
23 central governments in a timely manner.

24 (3) WAIVER.—The Secretary of State may
25 waive the prohibition on assistance required by para-

1 graph (1) with respect to any such central govern-
2 ment if the Secretary determines and reports to the
3 appropriate congressional committees that to do so
4 is in the national interest of the United States, and
5 includes a justification for such interest.

6 (c) DURATION.—The requirements and limitations of
7 this section shall cease to be in effect if the Secretary of
8 State determines and reports to the appropriate congres-
9 sional committees that the Government of Ukraine has re-
10 established sovereignty over each region located in the ter-
11 ritory of Ukraine that is occupied by the Russian Federa-
12 tion or under the control of Russian-backed separatists,
13 including Crimea and the Donetsk and Luhansk regions.

14 (d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES
15 DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate con-
16 gressional committees” means the Committee on Foreign
17 Affairs of the House of Representatives and the Com-
18 mittee on Foreign Relations of the Senate.

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