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## H. R. 4362

To prioritize the international distribution of COVID-19 vaccine doses, and for other purposes.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Gimenez (for himself, Ms. Salazar, and Mr. Diaz-Balart) 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 Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE. 4 This Act may be cited as the "Curbing China's Vaccine Diplomacy Act". 5 SEC. 2. PRIORITIZATION OF INTERNATIONAL DISTRIBU-7 TION OF COVID-19 VACCINE DOSES.
- 8 (a) Prioritization.—
- 9 (1) In General.—In carrying out the inter-10 national distribution of COVID-19 vaccine doses, the

- 1 Secretary of State shall prioritize such distribution
- 2 to Taiwan and crucial Latin American allies.
- 3 (2) Timing.—The Secretary of State may not
- 4 carry out this section until such time as the certifi-
- 5 cation described in subsection (d) has been trans-
- 6 mitted.
- 7 (b) Reservation.—The Secretary of State shall en-
- 8 sure that of the total number of COVID-19 vaccine doses
- 9 intended for international distribution, not less than 25
- 10 percent of such doses are reserved for and distributed to
- 11 Taiwan and crucial Latin American allies.
- 12 (c) Prohibition.—The Secretary of State may not
- 13 distribute internationally to any recipient or country any
- 14 COVID-19 vaccine doses until Taiwan and crucial Latin
- 15 American allies have each received at least a first ship-
- 16 ment of the reservation specified in subsection (b).
- 17 (d) Certification.—Not later than 10 days after
- 18 the Administration determines all Americans have been af-
- 19 forded ample opportunity to be fully vaccinated against
- 20 COVID-19, the Administration shall transmit to Congress
- 21 a certification so attesting.
- 22 (e) Exception.—The Secretary of State may not
- 23 distribute COVID-19 vaccine does under this section to
- 24 any country the government (or related governmental enti-
- 25 ty) of which has been determined to have engaged in sys-

- 1 temic or widespread human rights abuses in accordance
- 2 with the Department of State's most recent Country Re-
- 3 ports on Human Rights Practices.
- 4 (f) Sunset.—This section shall terminate five days
- 5 after the date on which the Secretary of State makes a
- 6 determination that Taiwan and crucial Latin American al-
- 7 lies each have achieved 40 percent vaccination rates of
- 8 their respective populations.
- 9 (g) Definition.—The term "crucial Latin American
- 10 allies" means those countries in Latin America determined
- 11 by the Secretary of State to have deep diplomatic, mili-
- 12 tary, or cultural ties with the United States.

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