

tee on Foreign Relations and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate are notified fifteen days in advance of the proposed reprogramming, funds appropriated for the Department of State shall not be available for obligation or expenditure through any reprogramming of funds—

- (1) which creates new programs;
- (2) which eliminates a program, project, or activity;
- (3) which increases funds or personnel by any means for any project or activity for which funds have been denied or restricted by the Congress;
- (4) which relocates an office or employees;
- (5) which reorganizes offices, programs, or activities;
- (6) which involves contracting out functions which had been performed by Federal employees; or
- (7) which involves a reprogramming in excess of \$1,000,000 or 10 per centum, whichever is less, and which (A) augments existing programs, projects, or activities, (B) reduces by 10 per centum or more the funding for any existing program, project, activity, or personnel approved by the Congress, or (C) results from any general savings from a reduction in personnel which would result in a change in existing programs, activities, or projects approved by the Congress.

**(b) Final 15 days in which funds available**

Funds appropriated for the Department of State may not be available for obligation or expenditure through any reprogramming described in subsection (a) of this section during the period which is the last 15 days in which such funds are available unless notice of such reprogramming is made before such period.

**(c) Waiver**

The Secretary of State may waive the notification requirement of subsection (a) of this section, if the Secretary determines that failure to do so would pose a substantial risk to human health or welfare. In the case of any waiver under this subsection, notification to the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate and the Committee on International Relations and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives shall be provided as soon as practicable, but not later than 3 days after taking the action to which the notification requirement was applicable, and shall contain an explanation of the emergency circumstances.

(Aug. 1, 1956, ch. 841, title I, §34, as added Pub. L. 98-164, title I, §123, Nov. 22, 1983, 97 Stat. 1025; amended Pub. L. 100-204, title I, §121, Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1339; Pub. L. 102-138, title I, §117(b), Oct. 28, 1991, 105 Stat. 657; Pub. L. 103-236, title I, §122(c), Apr. 30, 1994, 108 Stat. 392; Pub. L. 105-277, div. G, subdiv. B, title XXII, §2243, Oct. 21, 1998, 112 Stat. 2681-823.)

**PRIOR PROVISIONS**

A prior section 34 of act Aug. 1, 1956, was renumbered sections 35 and 36 by sections 123 and 124 of Pub. L. 98-164, and subsequently renumbered, and set out as a Short Title of 1956 Amendment note under section 2651 of this title, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 102-138, title I, §111(1), Oct. 28, 1991, 105 Stat. 654.

**AMENDMENTS**

1998—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 105-277, §2243(1), in introductory provisions, substituted “International Relations and the Committee on Appropriations” for “Foreign Affairs” and inserted “and the Committee on Appropriations” after “Foreign Relations”.

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 105-277, §2243(2), added subsec. (c). 1994—Subsec. (a)(7). Pub. L. 103-236 substituted “\$1,000,000” for “\$500,000”.

1991—Subsec. (a)(7). Pub. L. 102-138 substituted “\$500,000” for “\$250,000”.

1987—Pub. L. 100-204 designated existing provisions as subsec. (a) and added subsec. (b).

**CHANGE OF NAME**

Committee on International Relations of House of Representatives changed to Committee on Foreign Affairs of House of Representatives by House Resolution No. 6, One Hundred Tenth Congress, Jan. 5, 2007.

**§ 2706a. Rewards payments**

The Secretary may transfer to and merge with “Emergencies in the Diplomatic and Consular Service” for rewards payments unobligated balances of funds appropriated under “Diplomatic and Consular Programs” for this fiscal year and for each fiscal year on and after December 26, 2007, at no later than the end of the fifth fiscal year after the fiscal year for which any such funds were appropriated or otherwise made available.

(Pub. L. 110-161, div. J, title I (part), Dec. 26, 2007, 121 Stat. 2278.)

**REFERENCES IN TEXT**

Secretary, referred to in text, means the Secretary of State.

**§ 2707. International communications and information policy; duties of Secretary of State**

(a) Repealed. Pub. L. 103-236, title I, §162(k)(1)(A), Apr. 30, 1994, 108 Stat. 408.

(b) The Secretary of State shall be responsible for formulation, coordination, and oversight of foreign policy related to international communications and information policy. The Secretary of State shall—

(1) exercise primary authority for the conduct of foreign policy with respect to such telecommunications functions, including the determination of United States positions and the conduct of United States participation in negotiations with foreign governments and international bodies. In exercising this responsibility, the Secretary shall coordinate with other agencies as appropriate, and, in particular, shall give full consideration to the authority vested by law or Executive order in the Federal Communications Commission, the Department of Commerce and the Office of the United States Trade Representative in this area;

(2) maintain continuing liaison with other executive branch agencies concerned with international communications and information policy and with the Federal Communications Commission, as appropriate;

(3) in accordance with such authority as may be delegated by the President pursuant to Executive order, supervise and coordinate the activities of any senior interagency policy-making group on international telecommuni-

cations and information policy and chair such interagency meetings as may be necessary to coordinate actions on pending issues;<sup>1</sup>

(4) coordinate the activities of, and assist as appropriate, interagency working level task forces and committees concerned with specific aspects of international communications and information policy;

(5) maintain liaison with the members and staffs of committees of the Congress concerned with international communications and information policy and provide testimony before such committees;

(6) maintain appropriate liaison with representatives of the private sector to keep informed of their interests and problems, meet with them, and provide such assistance as may be needed to ensure that matters of concern to the private sector are promptly considered by the Department or other executive branch agencies; and

(7) assist in arranging meetings of such public sector advisory groups as may be established to advise the Department of State and other executive branch agencies in connection with international communications and information policy issues.

(Aug. 1, 1956, ch. 841, title I, § 35, as added Pub. L. 98-164, title I, § 124, Nov. 22, 1983, 97 Stat. 1025; amended Pub. L. 100-204, title I, § 173(a)(1), Dec. 22, 1987, 101 Stat. 1360; Pub. L. 103-236, title I, § 162(k)(1), Apr. 30, 1994, 108 Stat. 408.)

#### PRIOR PROVISIONS

A prior section 35 of act Aug. 1, 1956, was renumbered section 36 by section 124 of Pub. L. 98-164, and subsequently renumbered, and set out as a Short Title of 1956 Amendment note under section 2651 of this title, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 102-138, title I, § 111(1), Oct. 28, 1991, 105 Stat. 654.

#### AMENDMENTS

1994—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 103-236, § 162(k)(1)(A), struck out subsec. (a) which read as follows: “The Secretary of State shall assign responsibility for international communications and information policy matters within the Department of State to an appropriate Under Secretary of State (hereafter in this section referred to as the ‘Under Secretary’).”

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 103-236, § 162(k)(1)(B)(i), inserted introductory provisions and struck out former introductory provisions which read as follows: “The Secretary of State shall establish, within the Department of State, an Office of the Coordinator for International Communications and Information Policy, headed by a Coordinator who shall be responsible to the Under Secretary. The Coordinator shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and shall have the rank of ambassador. The Coordinator shall be compensated at the annual rate of pay for positions authorized by section 5315 of title 5. The Coordinator shall be responsible, on behalf of the Under Secretary, for formulation, coordination, and oversight of international communications and information policy assigned to the Under Secretary. On behalf of the Under Secretary, the Coordinator shall—”

Subsec. (b)(1). Pub. L. 103-236, § 162(k)(1)(B)(iv), added par. (1). Former par. (1) redesignated (2).

Subsec. (b)(2). Pub. L. 103-236, § 162(k)(1)(B)(ii), (iii), (v), redesignated par. (1) as (2), struck out “with the bureaus and offices of the Department of State and” after

“continuing liaison”, inserted “and with the Federal Communications Commission, as appropriate” before semicolon, and struck out former par. (2) which read as follows: “in accordance with such authority as may be delegated by the President pursuant to Executive order, chair such agency and interagency meetings as may be necessary to coordinate actions on pending issues to ensure proper policy coordination;”.

Subsec. (b)(3). Pub. L. 103-236, § 162(k)(1)(B)(vi), substituted “any senior interagency policymaking group on international telecommunications and information policy and chair such interagency meetings as may be necessary to coordinate actions on pending issues;” for “the Senior Interagency Group on International Communications and Information Policy”.

1987—Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 100-204 inserted after second sentence “The Coordinator shall be compensated at the annual rate of pay for positions authorized by section 5315 of title 5.”

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1994 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 103-236 applicable with respect to officials, offices, and bureaus of Department of State when executive orders, regulations, or departmental directives implementing the amendments by sections 161 and 162 of Pub. L. 103-236 become effective, or 90 days after Apr. 30, 1994, whichever comes earlier, see section 161(b) of Pub. L. 103-236, as amended, set out as a note under section 2651a of this title.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1987 AMENDMENT

Section 173(b) of Pub. L. 100-204 provided that: “The amendments made by subsection (a) [amending this section and section 4303 of this title] shall take effect 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act [Dec. 22, 1987].”

#### EFFECT OF 1994 AMENDMENTS ON SCOPE OF AUTHORITY VESTED AS OF APRIL 30, 1994

Section 162(k)(2) of Pub. L. 103-236 provided that: “Nothing in the amendments made by paragraph (1) [amending this section] affects the nature or scope of the authority that is on the date of enactment of this Act [Apr. 30, 1994] vested by law or Executive order in the Department of Commerce, the Office of the United States Trade Representative, the Federal Communications Commission, or any officer thereof.”

#### NEW SPENDING AUTHORITY

Section 173(c) of Pub. L. 100-204 provided that: “Any new spending authority (as defined in section 401(c) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 [2 U.S.C. 651(c)]) provided by this section [amending sections 2707 and 4303 of this title] shall be effective for any fiscal year only to such extent or in such amounts as are provided in advance in appropriation Acts.”

### § 2708. Department of State rewards program

#### (a) Establishment

##### (1) In general

There is established a program for the payment of rewards to carry out the purposes of this section.

##### (2) Purpose

The rewards program shall be designed to assist in the prevention of acts of international terrorism, international narcotics trafficking, and other related criminal acts.

##### (3) Implementation

The rewards program shall be administered by the Secretary of State, in consultation, as appropriate, with the Attorney General.

#### (b) Rewards authorized

In the sole discretion of the Secretary (except as provided in subsection (c)(2) of this section)

<sup>1</sup> So in original.