Attacks on the United States (Public Law 107-38) [115 Stat. 220], shall be available to carry out this Act."

# §7514. Coordination of assistance

#### (a) In general

The President shall designate, within the Department of State, a coordinator who shall be responsible for—

- (1) designing an overall strategy to advance United States interests in Afghanistan;
- (2) ensuring program and policy coordination among agencies of the United States Government in carrying out the policies set forth in this subchapter;
- (3) pursuing coordination with other countries and international organizations with respect to assistance to Afghanistan;
- (4) ensuring that United States assistance programs for Afghanistan are consistent with this subchapter;
- (5) ensuring proper management, implementation, and oversight by agencies responsible for assistance programs for Afghanistan; and
- (6) resolving policy and program disputes among United States Government agencies with respect to United States assistance for Afghanistan.

# (b) Rank and status of the coordinator

The coordinator designated under subsection (a) of this section shall have the rank and status of ambassador.

### (c) Assistance plan

#### (1) Submission to Congress

The coordinator designated under subsection (a) of this section shall annually submit the Afghanistan assistance plan of the Administration to—

- (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate:
- (B) the Committee on International Relations of the House of Representatives;
- (C) the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate: and
- (D) the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

### (2) Contents

The assistance plan submitted under paragraph (1) shall describe—

- (A) how the plan relates to the strategy provided pursuant to section 7554 of this title; and
- (B) how the plan builds upon United States assistance provided to Afghanistan since 2001

# (d) Coordination with international community

# (1) In general

The coordinator designated under subsection (a) of this section shall work with the international community and the Government of Afghanistan to ensure that assistance to Afghanistan is implemented in a coherent, consistent, and efficient manner to prevent duplication and waste.

## (2) International financial institutions

The coordinator designated under subsection (a) of this section, under the direction of the Secretary of State, shall work through the

Secretary of the Treasury and the United States Executive Directors at the international financial institutions (as defined in section 262r(c)(2) of this title) to coordinate United States assistance for Afghanistan with international financial institutions.

(Pub. L. 107-327, title I, §104, Dec. 4, 2002, 116 Stat. 2804; Pub. L. 108-458, title VII, §7104(c)(2), (d), Dec. 17, 2004, 118 Stat. 3781.)

#### AMENDMENTS

2004-Subsec. (a). Pub. L.  $108-458,\ \S7104(c)(2),\ substituted "shall" for "is strongly urged to" in introductory provisions.$ 

Subsecs. (c), (d). Pub. L. 108-458,  $\S7104$ (d), added subsecs. (c) and (d).

#### 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.

#### FINDINGS

Pub. L. 108-458, title VII, \$7104(c)(1), Dec. 17, 2004, 118 Stat. 3781, provided that: "Congress makes the following findings:

"(A) The Final Report of the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States criticized the provision of United States assistance to Afghanistan for being too inflexible.

"(B) The Afghanistan Freedom Support Act of 2002 (22 U.S.C. 7501 et seq.) contains provisions that provide for flexibility in the provision of assistance for Afghanistan and are not subject to the requirements of typical foreign assistance programs and provide for the designation of a coordinator to oversee United States assistance for Afghanistan."

# § 7515. Sense of Congress regarding promoting cooperation in opium producing areas

It is the sense of Congress that the President should—

- (1) to the extent practicable, under such procedures as the President may prescribe, withhold United States bilateral assistance from, and oppose multilateral assistance to, opiumproducing areas of Afghanistan if, within such areas, appropriate cooperation is not provided to the United States, the Government of Afghanistan, and international organizations with respect to the suppression of narcotics cultivation and trafficking, and if withholding such assistance would promote such cooperation:
- (2) redistribute any United States bilateral assistance (and to promote the redistribution of any multilateral assistance) withheld from an opium-producing area to other areas with respect to which assistance has not been withheld as a consequence of this section; and
- (3) define or redefine the boundaries of opium producing areas of Afghanistan for the purposes of this section.

(Pub. L. 107–327, title I, \$105, Dec. 4, 2002, 116 Stat. 2805.)

## § 7516. Administrative provisions

## (a) Applicable administrative authorities

Except to the extent inconsistent with the provisions of this subchapter, the administrative authorities under chapters 1 and 2 of part