President determines is to be used specifically—

- (I) to restrict the free flow of unbiased information in Syria; or
- (II) to disrupt, monitor, or otherwise restrict speech of the people of Syria.

#### (ii) Exception

The term "sensitive technology" does not include information or informational materials the exportation of which the President does not have the authority to regulate or prohibit pursuant to section 1702(b)(3) of title 50.

# (3) Special rule to allow for termination of sanctionable activity

The President shall not be required to include a person on the list required by paragraph (1) if the President certifies in writing to the appropriate congressional committees that—

- (A) the person is no longer engaging in, or has taken significant verifiable steps toward stopping, the activity described in paragraph (2) for which the President would otherwise have included the person on the list; and
- (B) the President has received reliable assurances that the person will not knowingly engage in any activity described in paragraph (2) in the future.

#### (4) Updates of list

The President shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees an updated list under paragraph (1)—

- (A) not later than 300 days after August 10, 2012, and every 180 days thereafter; and
- (B) as new information becomes available.

#### (5) Form of report; public availability

#### (A) Form

The list required by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may contain a classified annex.

#### (B) Public availability

The unclassified portion of the list required by paragraph (1) shall be made available to the public and posted on the websites of the Department of the Treasury and the Department of State.

(Pub. L. 112–158, title VII, §703, Aug. 10, 2012, 126 Stat. 1266.)

## TERMINATION OF SECTION

For termination of section, see section 8795 of this title.

# § 8793. Imposition of sanctions with respect to persons who engage in censorship or other forms of repression in Syria

#### (a) In general

The President shall impose sanctions described in section 8791(c) of this title with respect to each person on the list required by subsection (b).

## (b) List of persons who engage in censorship

#### (1) In general

Not later than 120 days after August 10, 2012, the President shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a list of persons that the President determines have engaged in censorship, or activities relating to censorship, in a manner that prohibits, limits, or penalizes the legitimate exercise of freedom of expression by citizens of Syria.

#### (2) Updates of list

The President shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees an updated list under paragraph (1)—

- (A) not later than 300 days after August 10, 2012, and every 180 days thereafter; and
- (B) as new information becomes available.

# (3) Form of report; public availability (A) Form

The list required by paragraph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may contain a classified annex.

#### (B) Public availability

The unclassified portion of the list required by paragraph (1) shall be made available to the public and posted on the websites of the Department of the Treasury and the Department of State.

(Pub. L. 112–158, title VII, §704, Aug. 10, 2012, 126 Stat. 1268.)

#### TERMINATION OF SECTION

For termination of section, see section 8795 of this title.

#### §8794. Waiver

The President may waive the requirement to include a person on a list required by section 8791, 8792, or 8793 of this title or to impose sanctions pursuant to any such section if the President—

- (1) determines that such a waiver is in the national security interests of the United States: and
- (2) submits to the appropriate congressional committees a report on the reasons for that determination

(Pub. L. 112–158, title VII,  $\S705$ , Aug. 10, 2012, 126 Stat. 1268.)

#### TERMINATION OF SECTION

For termination of section, see section 8795 of this title.

# $\S$ 8795. Termination

### (a) In general

The provisions of this subchapter and any sanctions imposed pursuant to this subchapter shall terminate on the date on which the President submits to the appropriate congressional committees—

- (1) the certification described in subsection (b); and
  - (2) a certification that—
- (A) the Government of Syria is democratically elected and representative of the people of Syria; or
- (B) a legitimate transitional government of Syria is in place.

#### (b) Certification described

A certification described in this subsection is a certification by the President that the Government of Syria—