#### AMENDMENTS

1998—Pub. L. 105–261 made technical amendments to references in original act which appear in par. (1) as reference to section 2351 of this title and in par. (2) as reference to section 2352 of this title.

## SUBCHAPTER IV-A—NONPROLIFERATION ASSISTANCE COORDINATION

## CODIFICATION

Subchapter was enacted as part of the Nonproliferation Assistance Coordination Act of 2002, and also as part of the Security Assistance Act of 2002 and the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 2003, and not as part of the Defense Against Weapons of Mass Destruction Act of 1996 which comprises this chapter.

## § 2357. Findings

Congress finds that—

- (1) United States nonproliferation efforts in the independent states of the former Soviet Union have achieved important results in ensuring that weapons of mass destruction, weapons-usable material and technology, and weapons-related knowledge remain beyond the reach of terrorists and weapons-proliferating states;
- (2) although these efforts are in the United States national security interest, the effectiveness of these efforts has suffered from a lack of coordination within and among United States Government agencies:
- (3) increased spending and investment by the United States private sector on nonproliferation efforts in the independent states of the former Soviet Union, specifically, spending and investment by the United States private sector in job creation initiatives and proposals for unemployed Russian Federation weapons scientists and technicians, are making an important contribution in ensuring that knowledge related to weapons of mass destruction remains beyond the reach of terrorists and weapons-proliferating states; and
- (4) increased spending and investment by the United States private sector on nonproliferation efforts in the independent states of the former Soviet Union make advisable the establishment of a coordinating body to ensure that United States public and private efforts are not in conflict, and to ensure that public spending on efforts by the independent states of the former Soviet Union is maximized to ensure efficiency and further United States national security interests.

(Pub. L. 107-228, div. B, title XIII, §1332, Sept. 30, 2002, 116 Stat. 1448.)

## SHORT TITLE

For short title of subtitle C (§§ 1331–1339) of title XIII of div. B of Pub. L. 107–228, which enacted this subchapter, as the "Nonproliferation Assistance Coordination Act of 2002", see section 1331 of Pub. L. 107–228, set out as a note under section 2301 of this title.

## § 2357a. Definitions

## (a) Independent states of the former Soviet Union

In this subchapter, the term "independent states of the former Soviet Union" has the meaning given the term in section 5801 of title

## (b) Appropriate committees of Congress

In this subchapter, the term "the appropriate committees of Congress" means the Committees on Foreign Relations, Armed Services, and Appropriations of the Senate and the Committees on International Relations, Armed Services, and Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

(Pub. L. 107–228, div. B, title XIII, §1333, Sept. 30, 2002, 116 Stat. 1449.)

#### 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.

## § 2357b. Establishment of Committee on Nonproliferation Assistance

### (a) In general

The President shall establish a mechanism to coordinate, with the maximum possible effectiveness and efficiency, the efforts of United States Government departments and agencies engaged in formulating policy and carrying out programs for achieving nonproliferation and threat reduction.

### (b) Membership

The coordination mechanism established pursuant to subsection (a) shall include—

- (1) representatives designated by-
  - (A) the Secretary of State;
  - (B) the Secretary of Defense;(C) the Secretary of Energy;
  - (D) the Secretary of Commerce;
  - (E) the Attorney General; and
- (F) the Director of the Office of Homeland Security, or the head of a successor department or agency; and
- (2) such other executive branch officials as the President may select.

## (c) Level of representation

To the maximum extent possible, each department or agency's representative designated pursuant to subsection (b)(1) shall be an official of that department or agency who has been appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate.

## (d) Chair

The President shall designate an official to direct the coordination mechanism established pursuant to subsection (a). The official so designated may invite the head of any other department or agency of the United States to designate a representative of that department or agency to participate from time to time in the activities of the Committee.

(Pub. L. 107-228, div. B, title XIII, §1334, Sept. 30, 2002, 116 Stat. 1449.)

# Russian Federation Debt Reduction for Nonproliferation

Pub. L. 107–228, div. B, title XIII, subtitle B, Sept. 30, 2002, 116 Stat. 1442, as amended by Pub. L. 108–271,  $\S$ 8(b), July 7, 2004, 118 Stat. 814; Pub. L. 112–74, div. I, title VII,  $\S$ 7034(n), Dec. 23, 2011, 125 Stat. 1217, provided that:

"SEC. 1311. SHORT TITLE.

"This subtitle may be cited as the 'Russian Federation Debt for Nonproliferation Act of 2002'.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>So in original. Probably should be "department's".