ballistic or cruise missile system with a range of between 500 and 5,500 kilometers.

(D) A plan developed by the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence and the Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA), to verify that the Russian Federation has fully and completely dismantled any ground launched cruise missiles or ballistic missiles with a range of between 500 and 5,500 kilometers, including details on facilities that inspectors need access to, people inspectors need to talk with, how often inspectors need the accesses for, and how much the verification regime would cost.

## (2) **Form**

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

#### (d) Committees specified

The committees specified in this subsection are—

(1) the Committee on Foreign Relations, the Committee on Armed Services, and the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate; and

(2) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee on Armed Services, and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives.

(Pub. L. 113-272, §10, Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 2965.)

#### DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS

Functions of President under subsec. (c) of this section delegated to Secretary of State by Memorandum of President of the United States, Feb. 19, 2015, 80 F.R. 12071, set out as a note under section 8925 of this title.

## §8930. Rule of construction

Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as an authorization for the use of military force.

(Pub. L. 113-272, §11, Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 2966.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original "this Act or an amendment made by this Act", meaning Pub. L. 113–272, Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 2952, which enacted this chapter and provisions set out as a note under section 8921 of this title. Pub. L. 113–272 did not make any amendments.

# CHAPTER 97—INTERNATIONAL CHILD ABDUCTION REMEDIES

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# § 9001. Findings and declarations

#### (a) Findings

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The Congress makes the following findings:

(1) The international abduction or wrongful retention of children is harmful to their wellbeing.

- (2) Persons should not be permitted to obtain custody of children by virtue of their wrongful removal or retention.
- (3) International abductions and retentions of children are increasing, and only concerted cooperation pursuant to an international agreement can effectively combat this problem.
- (4) The Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction, done at The Hague on October 25, 1980, establishes legal rights and procedures for the prompt return of children who have been wrongfully removed or retained, as well as for securing the exercise of visitation rights. Children who are wrongfully removed or retained within the meaning of the Convention are to be promptly returned unless one of the narrow exceptions set forth in the Convention applies. The Convention provides a sound treaty framework to help resolve the problem of international abduction and retention of children and will deter such wrongful removals and retentions.

#### (b) Declarations

The Congress makes the following declara-

- (1) It is the purpose of this chapter to establish procedures for the implementation of the Convention in the United States.
- (2) The provisions of this chapter are in addition to and not in lieu of the provisions of the Convention.
- (3) In enacting this chapter the Congress recognizes—
- (A) the international character of the Convention; and
- (B) the need for uniform international interpretation of the Convention.
- (4) The Convention and this chapter empower courts in the United States to determine only rights under the Convention and not the merits of any underlying child custody claims.

(Pub. L. 100-300, §2, Apr. 29, 1988, 102 Stat. 437.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in subsec. (b), was in the original "this Act" meaning Pub. L. 100-300, Apr. 29, 1988, 102 Stat. 437, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note below and Tables.

#### CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 11601 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare.

# SHORT TITLE OF 2004 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 108-370, §1, Oct. 25, 2004, 118 Stat. 1750, provided that: "This Act [amending section 9006 of this title] may be cited as the 'Prevention of Child Abduction Partnership Act'."

## SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 100-300, §1, Apr. 29, 1988, 102 Stat. 437, provided that: "This Act [enacting this chapter and amending section 663 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare] may be cited as the 'International Child Abduction Remedies Act'."

## § 9002. Definitions

For the purposes of this chapter—