search and development costs for the capabilities described in paragraph (1), and any supporting documents.

``(B) A certification that the memorandum of agreement—

"(i) requires sharing of costs of projects, including in-kind support, between the United States and Israel;

"(ii) establishes a framework to negotiate the rights to any intellectual property developed under the memorandum of agreement; and

"(iii) requires the United States Government to receive semiannual reports on expenditure of funds, if any, by the Government of Israel, including a description of what the funds have been used for, when funds were expended, and an identification of entities that expended the funds.

"(b) SUPPORT IN CONNECTION WITH PROGRAM.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense is authorized to provide maintenance and sustainment support to Israel for the anti-tunnel capabilities research, development, test, and evaluation activities authorized in subsection (a)(1). Such authority includes authority to install equipment necessary to carry out such research, development, test, and evaluation.

"(2) REPORT.—Support may not be provided under paragraph (1) until 15 days after the Secretary submits to the appropriate committees of Congress a report setting forth a detailed description of the support to be provided.

"(3) MATCHING CONTRIBUTION.—

"(A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subparagraph (B), support may not be provided under this subsection unless the Government of Israel contributes an amount not less than the amount of support to be so provided to the program, project, or activity for which the support is to be so provided in the calendar year in which the support is provided.

"(B) EXCEPTION.—Subject to paragraph (4), the Secretary may use amounts available to the Secretary in excess of the amount contributed by the Government of Israel to provide support under this subsection for costs associated with any unique national requirement identified by the United States with respect to anti-tunnel capabilities.

"(4) ANNUAL LIMITATION ON AMOUNT.—The amount of support provided under this subsection in any year may not exceed \$50,000,000.

"(5) USE OF CERTAIN AMOUNTS FOR RDT&E ACTIVITIES IN THE UNITED STATES.—Of the amount provided by the United States in support under paragraph (1), not less than 50 percent of such amount shall be used for research, development, test, and evaluation activities in the United States in connection with such support.

"(c) LEAD AGENCY.—The Secretary of Defense shall designate an appropriate research and development entity of a military department as the lead agency of the Department of Defense in carrying out this section.

''(d) SEMIANNUAL REPORTS.—The Secretary of Defense shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress on a semiannual basis a report that contains a copy of the most recent semiannual report provided by the Government of Israel to the Department of Defense pursuant to subsection (a)(2)(B)(iii).

"(e) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DE-FINED.—In this section, the term 'appropriate committees of Congress' means—

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

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

"(f) SUNSET.—The authority in this section to carry out activities described in subsection (a), and to pro-

vide support described in subsection (b), shall expire on December 31, 2024."

CONSTRUCTIVE REGIONAL ENERGY COOPERATION

Pub. L. 113–296, §12(c)(2), Dec. 19, 2014, 128 Stat. 4081, provided that: "The Secretary of State shall continue the ongoing diplomacy efforts of the Secretary of State in—

``(A) engaging and supporting the energy security of Israel; and

"(B) promoting constructive regional energy cooperation in the Eastern Mediterranean."

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#### §8701. Definitions

Except as otherwise specifically provided, in this Act:

#### (1) Appropriate congressional committees

The term "appropriate congressional committees" has the meaning given that term in section 14 of the Iran Sanctions Act of 1996 (Public Law 104–172; 50 U.S.C. 1701 note).

### (2) Financial transaction

The term "financial transaction" means any transfer of value involving a financial institution, including the transfer of forwards, futures, options, swaps, or precious metals, including gold, silver, platinum, and palladium.

#### (3) Knowingly

The term "knowingly" has the meaning given that term in section 14 of the Iran Sanctions Act of 1996 (Public Law 104–172; 50 U.S.C. 1701 note).

#### (4) United States person

The term "United States person" has the meaning given that term in section 8511 of this title.

 $(Pub.\ L.\ 112–158,\,\S2,\ Aug.\ 10,\ 2012,\ 126\ Stat.\ 1216.)$ 

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This Act, referred to in text, is Pub. L. 112–158, Aug. 10, 2012, 126 Stat. 1214, known as the Iran Threat Reduction and Syria Human Rights Act of 2012, which is classified principally to this chapter. For complete classi-

fication of this Act to the Code, see Short Title note set out below and Tables.

#### SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 112–158, §1(a), Aug. 10, 2012, 126 Stat. 1214, provided that: "This Act [enacting this chapter and sections 8513b, 8514a, and 8514b of this title, amending sections 8511, 8513, 8513a, 8518, 8532, 8551 of this title, section 78m of Title 15, Commerce and Trade, and section 1610 of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure, enacting provisions set out as notes under this section and sections 8513 and 8513a of this title, section 78m of Title 15, and section 1701 of Title 50, War and National Defense, and amending provisions set out as notes under section 1610 of Title 28 and section 1701 of Title 50] may be cited as the 'Iran Threat Reduction and Syria Human Rights Act of 2012'."

Syria Human Rights Act of 2012."

Pub. L. 112–158, title VII, §701, Aug. 10, 2012, 126 Stat. 1265, provided that: "This title [enacting subchapter VII of this chapter] may be cited as the 'Syria Human Rights Accountability Act of 2012."

REPORT ON USE BY IRAN OF FUNDS MADE AVAILABLE THROUGH SANCTIONS RELIEF

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Stat. 2926, provided that:

"(a) IN GENERAL.—At the times specified in subsection (b), the Director of National Intelligence, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report assessing the following:

"(1) The monetary value of any direct or indirect forms of sanctions relief that Iran has received since the Joint Plan of Action first entered into effect.

"(2) How Iran has used funds made available through sanctions relief, including the extent to which any such funds have facilitated the ability of Iran—

"(A) to provide support for-

"(i) any individual or entity designated for the imposition of sanctions for activities relating to international terrorism pursuant to an executive order or by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the Department of the Treasury as of the date of the enactment of this Act [Dec. 18, 2015];
"(ii) any organization designated by the Sec-

"(ii) any organization designated by the Secretary of State as a foreign terrorist organization under section 219(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1189(a)) as of the date of the enactment of this Act:

"(iii) any other terrorist organization; or

"(iv) the regime of Bashar al Assad in Syria;
"(B) to advance the efforts of Iran or any other
country to develop nuclear weapons or ballistic
missiles overtly or covertly; or

"(C) to commit any violation of the human rights of the people of Iran.

"(3) The extent to which any senior official of the Government of Iran has diverted any funds made available through sanctions relief to be used by the official for personal use.

"(b) Submission to Congress.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall submit the report required by subsection (a) to the appropriate congressional committees—

"(A) not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act [Dec. 18, 2015] and every 180 days thereafter during the period that the Joint Plan of Action is in effect; and

"(B) not later than 1 year after a subsequent agreement with Iran relating to the nuclear program of Iran takes effect and annually thereafter during the period that such agreement remains in effect.

"(2) NONDUPLICATION.—The Director may submit the information required by subsection (a) with a report required to be submitted to Congress under another provision of law if—

"(A) the Director notifies the appropriate congressional committees of the intention of making such submission before submitting that report; and