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Amendments

2018—Subsec. (c)(3). Pub. L. 115-254, §1470(r)(1), (2), substituted "United States International Development Finance Corporation" for "Overseas Private Investment Corporation" in heading and introductory provisions.

Subsec. (c)(3)(B). Pub. L. 115-254, §1470(r)(3), struck out "by eligible investors (as defined in section 2198 of this title)" after "of applications".

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EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2018 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 115-254 effective at the end of the transition period, as defined in section 9681 of this title, see section 1470(w) of Pub. L. 115-254, set out as a note under section 905 of Title 2, The Congress.

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DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS

Functions of President under subsec. (d) 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.

§8927. Expanded broadcasting in countries of the former Soviet Union

(a) In general

Not later than 90 days after December 18, 2014, the Chairman of the Broadcasting Board of Governors shall submit to Congress a plan, including a cost estimate, for immediately and substantially increasing, and maintaining through fiscal year 2017, the quantity of Russian-language broadcasting into the countries of the former Soviet Union funded by the United States in order to counter Russian Federation propaganda.

(b) Prioritization of broadcasting into Ukraine, Georgia, and Moldova

The plan required by subsection (a) shall prioritize broadcasting into Ukraine, Georgia, and Moldova by the Voice of America and Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty.

(c) Additional priorities

In developing the plan required by subsection (a), the Chairman shall consider—

(1) near-term increases in Russian-language broadcasting for countries of the former Soviet Union (other than the countries specified in subsection (b)), including Latvia, Lithuania, and Estonia; and

(2) increases in broadcasting in other critical languages, including Ukrainian and Romanian languages.

(d) Broadcasting defined

In this section, the term "broadcasting" means the distribution of media content via radio broadcasting, television broadcasting, and Internet-based platforms, among other platforms.

(e) Authorization of appropriations

(1) In general

There are authorized to be appropriated to the Broadcasting Board of Governors \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2016 through 2018 to carry out activities under this section.

(2) Supplement not supplant

Amounts authorized to be appropriated pursuant to paragraph (1) shall supplement and not supplant other amounts made available for activities described in this section.

(Pub. L. 113-272, §8, Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 2964.)

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CHANGE OF NAME

Broadcasting Board of Governors renamed United States Agency for Global Media pursuant to section 6204(a)(22) of this title. The renaming was effectuated by notice to congressional appropriations committees dated May 24, 2018, and became effective Aug. 22, 2018.

§8928. Support for Russian democracy and civil society organizations

(a) In general

The Secretary of State shall, directly or through nongovernmental or international organizations, such as the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe, the National Endowment for Democracy, and related organizations—

(1) improve democratic governance, transparency, accountability, rule of law, and anticorruption efforts in the Russian Federation;

(2) strengthen democratic institutions and political and civil society organizations in the Russian Federation;

(3) expand uncensored Internet access in the Russian Federation; and

(4) expand free and unfettered access to independent media of all kinds in the Russian Federation, including through increasing United States Government-supported broadcasting activities, and assist with the protection of journalists and civil society activists who have been targeted for free speech activities.

(b) Authorization of appropriations

There are authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of State \$20,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2016 through 2018 to carry out the activities set forth in subsection (a).

(c) Strategy requirement

Not later than 60 days after December 18, 2014, the President shall submit a strategy to carry out the activities set forth in subsection (a) to—

(1) the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate; and

(2) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

(d) Transparency requirements

Any assistance provided pursuant to this section shall be conducted in as transparent of a manner as possible, consistent with the nature and goals of this section. The President shall provide a briefing on the activities funded by this section at the request of the committees specified in subsection (c).

(Pub. L. 113-272, §9, Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 2964.)

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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.

§ 8929. Report on non-compliance by the Russian Federation of its obligations under the INF Treaty

(a) Findings

Congress makes the following findings:

(1) The Russian Federation is in violation of its obligations under the Treaty between the United States of America and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics on the Elimination of Their Intermediate-Range and Shorter-Range Missiles, signed at Washington December 8, 1987, and entered into force June 1, 1988 (commonly referred to as the "Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty" or "INF Treaty").

(2) This behavior poses a threat to the United States, its deployed forces, and its allies.

(b) Sense of Congress

It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the President should hold the Russian Federation accountable for being in violation of its obligations under the INF Treaty; and

(2) the President should demand the Russian Federation completely and verifiably eliminate the military systems that constitute the violation of its obligations under the INF Treaty.

(c) Report

(1) In general

Not later than 90 days after December 18, 2014, and every 90 days thereafter, the President shall submit to the committees specified in subsection (d) a report that includes the following elements:

(A) A description of the status of the President's efforts, in cooperation with United States allies, to hold the Russian Federation accountable for being in violation of its obligations under the INF Treaty and obtain the complete and verifiable elimination of its military systems that constitute the violation of its obligations under the INF Treaty.

(B) The President's assessment as to whether it remains in the national security interests of the United States to remain a party to the INF Treaty, and other related treaties and agreements, while the Russian Federation is in violation of its obligations under the INF Treaty.

(C) Notification of any deployment by the Russian Federation of a ground launched 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.

(3) Sunset

The reporting requirement under paragraph (1) shall be in effect so long as the INF Treaty remains in force.

(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; Pub. L. 116-92, div. A, title XII, §1235(d), Dec. 20, 2019, 133 Stat. 1650.)

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Amendments

2019-Subsec. (c)(3). Pub. L. 116-92 added par. (3).

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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.)

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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.

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§9001. Findings and declarations

(a) Findings

The Congress makes the following findings:

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