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The Honorable Bryan Steil Chairman Committee on House Administration U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

## Dear Chairman Steil:

In compliance with rules issued by the Committee on House Administration, I am enclosing the following reports:

- 1. Summary for January 2024 of specific studies and investigations;
- 2. Statement of Expenses for January 2024, and the Fund Balance Statement;
- 3. Monthly report of domestic travel performed for January 2024;
- 4. Listing of Committee staff for January 2024, their titles, and their gross monthly salaries;
- 5. Listing of Committee detailees for January 2024.

Copies of the above reports are available in the Committee office for inspection by Members of the Committee.

Michael T. McCaul

Chairman

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# U.S.HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS SURVEY OF ACTIVITIES

JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2024 – JANUARY 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2024

\*\*\* MEETINGS, HEARINGS, AND MARKUPS \*\*\*

#### None

## \*\*\* LEGISLATION REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE \*\*\*

<u>H.R.6910</u> — To prohibit United States assistance from being made available before the implementation of conditions under the 2013 Brussels Agreement, and for other purposes. Sponsor: <u>Tenney</u>, <u>Claudia [Rep.-R-NY-24]</u>

<u>H.J.Res.106</u> — Providing for congressional disapproval of the proposed foreign military sale to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia of certain defense articles and services. Sponsor: <u>Omar, Ilhan [Rep.-D-MN-5]</u>

<u>H.J.Res.105</u> — Providing for congressional disapproval of the proposed foreign military sale to the United Arab Emirates of certain defense articles and services. Sponsor: <u>Omar, Ilhan [Rep.-D-MN-5]</u>

## \*\*\* EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS \*\*\*

EC - Executive Communication; PM - Presidential Message; PT - Petition; ML - Memorial

EC – Deputy Director of Congressional Affairs, BIS Department of Commerce. Transmitting the Department's final rule – Additions to the Entity List. Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801 (a) (1); P.L. 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868).

EC - Deputy Director of Congressional Affairs, BIS Department of Commerce. Transmitting the Department's final rule- Amendments to Existing Validated End-User Authorizations in the PRC: Samsung China Semiconductor Co. Ltd. And SK Hynix Semiconductor (China) Ltd. Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801 (a) (1); P.L. 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868).

- EC Deputy Director of Congressional Affairs, BIS Department of Commerce. Transmitting the Department's final rule Entity List Removal received December 20, 2023. Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801 (a) (1); P.L. 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868).
- EC Deputy Director of Congressional Affairs, BIS Department of Commerce. Transmitting the Department's final rule Implementation of Additional Export controls: Certain Advanced Computing Items; Superconductor and Semiconductor End Use; Updates and Corrections. Pursuant 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); P.L. 104 121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868).
- <u>EC</u> Transmitting an executive order to take additional steps with respect to the national emergency in EO 14024 of April 15, 2021, as amended, with respect to the unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the U.S. posed by specified harmful activities by the Russian Federation.
- EC Communication from the Chief Counsel, DOJ, Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the U.S. Annual Report for Calendar Year 2022. Pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 4107; ...
- <u>EC</u> Communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a MOJ for Emergency Arms Transfers to Israel Under Section 36 (b) (1) of the AECA.
- <u>EC</u> Communication from the President of the U.S. transmitting notifications of Targeted Military Strikes Against Facilities in Iraq and Syria used by the IRGC and IRGC Affiliated Groups.
- <u>EC</u> Transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to North Korea. Pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641 ©; P.L. 94-412, Sec. 401 401©; (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703©; P.L. 95-223, Sec 204 ©; (91 Stat. 1627).
- <u>EC</u> Transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the Western Balkans that was declared in EO 13219 of June 26, 2001, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641©; P.L. 94-412, Sec. 401 ©; (90 stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703 ©....
- <u>EC</u> Transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Belarus. Declared in EO 13405 of June 16, 2006, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641©; P.L. 94-412, Sec. 401©; (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703©......
- EC Communication from the Department of State, a determination under section 7034 (I) (5) of the Department of State SFOPS Appropriations Act, 2023, pursuant to P.L. 117-328, Sec. 7034 (I) (5) Brian Hook faces a credible threat from a foreign power...
- EC Communication from the Department of State, a determination under section 7034 (I) (5) of the Department of State SFOPS Appropriations Act, 2023, pursuant to P.L. 117-328, Sec. 7034 (I) (5) Michael Pompeo faces a credible threat from a foreign power...
- EC Communication from the Assistant Secretary Bureau of Legislative Affairs Department of State, transmitting an update on execution of previous drawdowns for Ukraine. Pursuant to section 506 (a) (1) of the FAA. Communication 02693.

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<u>EC</u> – Communication from the Assistant Secretary Bureau of Legislative Affairs Department of State, transmitting an update on previous drawdowns for Ukraine. Pursuant to section 506 (a) (1) of the FAA. Communication 02694.

## \*\*\*REPORTING REQUIREMENTS \*\*\*

Report to Congress on Number of Notifications Submitted Under the Mandatory Advance Notification Regime Section 502(d)(1) of the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (Div. N, P.L. 115-31).

Report to Congress on Section 909 of the Trade Facilitation and Trade Enforcement Act (TFTEA) of 2015 (P.L. 114-125)

Report to Congress on Implementation of the Chixoy Reparations Plan. The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) submits this report pursuant to the Joint Explanatory Statement accompanying Sec. 7019(e) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2023, (Div. K, P.L. 117-328). This report addresses implementation of the Chixoy Reparations Plan and details causes for delay.

Report to Congress, Section 13(r) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, which was added by Section 219 of the Iran Threat Reduction and Syria Human Rights Act of 2012, requires issuers that file annual or quarterly reports under Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act to include disclosure in such reports regarding certain activities specified in Section 13(r).

<u>Report to Congress</u>, Inspection of the U.S. Mission to the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe.

## \*\*\* GAO REPORTS \*\*\*

None

## \*\*\* CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATIONS \*\*\*

CN #22 – USAID Colombia requested \$5,000,000 in CCF to support implementation of the Government of Colombia's (GoC) Temporary Protected Status (TPS) policy, including a potential extension of TPS for an estimated 700,000 irregular Venezuelan migrants in Colombia, through activities that support their TPS registration, regularization, and socio-economic integration.

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CN #23 – ESTABLISHMENT OF THE U.S. AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN MALDIVES Pursuant to Sections 7015(a) and 7063(a) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2023 (Division K of Public Law 117-328), this notification advises that the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) plans to expand its presence in South Asia by establishing a formal presence in Maldives with a Country Office. This will allow USAID to advance U.S. goals and objectives under the U.S. National Security Strategy, State/USAID Joint Strategic Plan FY 2022-2026, Indo-Pacific Strategy, U.S. Embassy Integrated Country Strategy 2022-2024, and State/USAID Joint Regional Strategy for South and Central Asia.

CN – SMN 24 0001 Consistent with section 705 of the United States Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1948 ("Smith-Mundt Act"), the Department of State is notifying you of its intent to obligate \$375,000 in FY 2024 Educational and Cultural Exchange Programs (ECE) funds, pending the availability of funds, to support the FY 2024 19th International Architecture Biennale. The planned activities are explained further in the attached enclosure.

CN-24~002 The Department of State is informing you of its intent to obligate Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 International Narcotics and Law Enforcement (INCLE) funds. In addition, the Department of State is informing you of its intent to change the program content of FY 2022 INCLE funds previously notified in CN #23-196. This notification is being submitted on behalf of the Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons (TIP Office).

CN – SMN 24 0001 The Department of State is informing you of its intent to obligate Fiscal Year 2023 Economic Support Fund resources. This notification is being submitted on behalf of the Office of Global Partnerships (E/GP). Department of State - \$1,000,000 Funding will support efforts seeking to expand and diversify critical mineral supply chains, while maintaining high environmental, social and governance standards, as described in more detail in the enclosure.

CN – 23 196 The Department of State is informing you of its intent to obligate Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement (INCLE) funds. This notification is being submitted on behalf of the Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons (TIP Office). Department of State - \$10,115,000 The funds will 1) prevent human trafficking, support efforts to prosecute the perpetrators of trafficking, and protect and reintegrate victims of trafficking; and 2) support the development, implementation, monitoring, and evaluation of these projects. The planned activities are explained further in the attached enclosure.

CN – DFC will provide a seven-year, direct loan of up to \$50,000,000 to ACBA Bank OJSC ("ACBA" or the "Borrower"), a leading financial institution in Armenia primarily serving rural and agriculture clients. The Borrower will use the DFC loan proceeds to expand its loan portfolio by up to \$95 million (up to \$45 million will be provided by other sources, including the Borrower) and will lend to individuals and small businesses with a minimum of 50 percent of the DFC loan proceeds directed to women and women-owned small businesses.

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CN – DFC will provide political risk insurance with a contingent liability in an amount up to \$25,000,000 to support Can-Pack's investment in Can-Pack Ukraine LLC ("CPU"), an aluminum beverage can production facility in Vyshgorod, Ukraine (the "Project").

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## \*\*\* MEETINGS, HEARINGS, AND MARKUPS \*\*\*

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Thursday, January 11th

Subcommittee Hearing: Examining the Biden Administration's

Afghanistan Policy Since the U.S. Withdrawal: Part II

Witnesses:

#### **Thomas West**

Special Representative for Afghanistan and Deputy Assistant Secretary Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs U.S. State Department

## Rina Amiri

U.S. Special Envoy for Afghan Women, Girls, and Human Rights Office of Global Women's Issues U.S. State Department

## The Honorable Michael Schiffer

Assistant Administrator Bureau for Asia U.S. Agency for International Development

Subcommittee on the Middle East, North Africa, and Central Asia, Chairman Joe Wilson

## \*\*\* LEGISLATION REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE \*\*\*

<u>H.R.6954</u> —To reauthorize and amend the Nicaraguan Investment Conditionality Act of 2018 and the Reinforcing Nicaragua's Adherence to Conditions for Electoral Reform Act of 2021, and for other purposes. Sponsor: <u>Smith, Christopher H. [Rep.-R-NJ-4]</u>

<u>H.Res.960</u> — 118th Congress (2023-2024) RESPECT Resolution. Sponsor: <u>Lee</u>, Barbara [Rep.-D-CA-12]

<u>H.R.6950</u> —To require agencies with working dog programs to implement the recommendations of the Government Accountability Office relating to the health and welfare of working dogs, and for other purposes. Sponsor: <u>Yakym</u>, <u>Rudy</u> [Rep.-R-IN-2]

<u>H.Res.955</u> —Commending Taiwan for its history of democratic elections and expressing support of Taiwan in the preservation of its democratic institutions. Sponsor: <u>Connolly. Gerald E. [Rep.-D-VA-11]</u>

## \*\*\* EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS \*\*\*

EC - Executive Communication; PM - Presidential Message; PT - Petition; ML - Memorial

<u>EC</u> – Communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting an MOJ for the Emergency Arms Transfers to Israel Under Section 36(b)(1) of the AECA.

<u>EC</u> – Transmitting Report titled "Politically Motivated Boycotts of, Divestment from, and Sanctions Against Israel. Department report number: 005571, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 4452(d) (1); P.L. 114-125, Sec. 909(d)(1); (130 Stat. 238).

## \*\*\*REPORTING REQUIREMENTS \*\*\*

Report to Congress, Security Cooperation Strategy for Certain Combatant Commands. Submitted in accordance with Sections 1206 and 1332 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022. U) Pursuant to Section 1206 of the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022, this report outlines the security cooperation strategies for each of the Department of Defense (DoD) covered combatant commands (CCMDs), defined in Section 1206(d)(2) as all CCMDs with a geographical area of responsibility (AOR). This report is in accordance with the 2022 National Defense Strategy (NDS) and the FY 2025-2029 DoD Security Cooperation Guidance.

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Report to Congress, Pursuant to Section 516 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, the Department of Defense, with the concurrence of the Department of State, is providing advance notice of the proposed transfer of one (1) C-130H aircraft to the Government of Argentina as an Excess Defense Article (EDA). The total current value of the aircraft is \$12,000,000.00. The original acquisition value of the aircraft was \$30,000,000.00.

Report to Congress, Pursuant to Section 516 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, the Department of Defense, with concurrence from the Department of State, is providing advance notice of the proposed transfer of five UC/TC-12B aircraft with installed engine and propeller assemblies to the Government of Argentina as Excess Defense Articles (EDA). The total current value of the aircraft is \$2,234,000.000. The original acquisitions value of the aircraft was \$19,760,000.00.

Report to Congress, pursuant to Section 21 of the Arms Export Control Act, the Department of Defense, with concurrence of the Department of State, is providing advance notice of the proposed sale of excess RQ-4 Block 30 spare parts to NATO as Excess Defense Articles (EDA). The total current value of the spare parts is \$49,702.69. The original acquisition value of the spare parts was \$239,842.31.

<u>Report to Congress</u>, United States Security Assistance Provided to Ukraine since the February 24, 2022, Russian Invasion of Ukraine as Required by Section 1202 of the Additional Ukraine Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2023 (division M of P.L. 117-328) as of October 1, 2023.

Report to Congress on Annual Rewards for Justice Report for FY 2023 Section 36(g)(2) of the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. § 2708(g)(2)).

Report to Congress, ON CENSORSHIP AND INTIMIDATION OF UNITED STATES PERSONS BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA How China's censorship and intimidation of U.S. citizens domestically, and U.S. businesses in China pose a serious threat to the United States.

Report to Congress, to Congress on Iran-Related Multilateral Sanctions Regime Efforts Section 10(a) of the Iran Sanctions Act of 1996 (P.L. 104-172) (50 USC 1701 note) This report provides information required by Section 10(a) of the Iran Sanctions Act of 1996 (P.L. 104-172) (50 USC 1701 note) and covers the period from February 3, 2023, to August 3, 2023.

Report to Congress on List of Persons Who Are Responsible for or Complicit in Certain Human Rights Abuses in Iran 22 USC 8514: Imposition of Sanctions on Certain Persons who are

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Responsible for or Complicit in Human Rights Abuses Committed against Citizens of Iran or their Family Members after the June 12 of 2009, Elections in Iran.

Report to Congress, on Study of an Infectious Disease Monitoring Center Section 5538 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Div. E, P.L. 117-263).

Report to Congress on the President's Multilateral Diplomacy Initiatives Regarding Oil from Iran 22 USC 8513a(e)(2).

Report to Congress on U.S.-Vietnam Human Rights Dialogue Meetings Section 702 of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 2003 (P.L. 107-228) (22 USC 2151n).

Report to Congress on Worldwide Availability Section 9210(a) of the Department of State Authorization Act of 2022 (Div. I, P.L. 117-263) Consistent with section 9210(a) of the Department of State Authorization Act of 2022 (Div. I, P.L. 117-263), the Department is providing a report on Worldwide Availability.

<u>Report</u> to Congress on Implementation of Efforts of the Department of State to Combat International Trafficking in Covered Synthetic Drugs Section 5552(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023 (Div. E, P.L. 117-263).

<u>Report</u> to Congress, Annual Report to Congress on The Department of State's Vulnerability Disclosure Policy to Improve Cybersecurity Section 9509(b)(2) of the Department of State Authorization Act of 2022 (Div. I, P.L. 117-263).

Report to Congress of Exemptions from Terrorist Related Inadmissibility Ground, Pursuant to INA Section (d)(3)(B)(ii), FY 2023.

Report to Congress, on Investments in the Energy Sector of Iran Sec. 110 of the Comprehensive Iran Sanctions, Accountability, and Divestment Act of 2010, as amended This report provides information required by Section 110 of the Comprehensive Iran Sanctions, Accountability, and Divestment Act of 2010 (CISADA), as amended (codified at 22 USC 8518), with respect to the reporting period from January 15 to July 12, 2023.

Report to Congress, presence at Mine Sites of Armed Groups and Other Entities in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Report to Congress on Persons Engaging in Transactions with the Government of the Russian Federation. Section 1294© (2) of the NDAA for FY 2019 (P.L. 115-232).

Report to Congress on The Status of Efforts to Promote Normalization of Relations with Israel and Other Countries Section 106(c) of the Israel Relations Normalization Act of 2022 (Div. Z, P.L. 117-103).

### \*\*\* GAO REPORTS \*\*\*

GAO Report 105863 The U.S. Government Accountability Office report CLIMATE CHANGE: State Department Did Not Track Greenhouse Gas Emissions from U.S. Delegation Travel to Meetings 26 and 27 of the United Nations Conference of the Parties (GAO-23-105863, GAO Code 105863) contains 1 recommendation for the Department of State. Chapter 7, Title 31 (31 U.S.C. 720) requires that the head of an agency submit to the Committee a written statement on action taken on a recommendation by the Comptroller General. This letter is intended to comply with this requirement. Recommendation: "The Secretary of State should ensure that the State Department consistently estimates greenhouse gas emissions from U.S. delegation travel to meetings of the UN Conferences of the Parties to align with the goals of the Executive Order 14057."

## \*\*\* CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATIONS \*\*\*

CN - Knight's Armament Company proposes the export of 1,620 SR-16 5.6mm fully automatic rifles and sound suppressors to Edgar Brothers in the UK for ultimate end use by the UK MOD. \$5,670,081. CERTIFICATION OF PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF AN EXPORT LICENSE PURSUANT TO SECTION 36(c) OF THE ARMS EXPORT CONTROL ACT.

CN - Memorandum of Justification Regarding Certification Pursuant to Section 5502(E)(2) of the Taiwan Enhanced Resilience Act Consistent with section 5502(e)(2) of the Taiwan Enhanced Resilience Act (Div. E, Title LV, Subtitle A, P.L. 117-263), the Acting Deputy Secretary of State has certified that Taiwan has increased its defense spending relative to Taiwan's defense spending in its prior fiscal year, which includes support for an asymmetric defense strategy, excepting accounts in Taiwan's defense budget related to personnel expenditures (other than military training and education and any funding related to the All-Out Defense Mobilization Agency).

CN - Certification Pursuant to Section 5502(E)(2) of the Taiwan Enhanced Resilience Act Pursuant to section 5502(e)(2) of the Taiwan Enhanced Resilience Act (Div. E, Title LV, Subtitle A, P.L 117-263) and Delegation of Authority 513. Secretary Nuland hereby certifies that Taiwan has increased its defense spending in its FY 2023 relative to Taiwan's defense spending in Its prior fiscal year, which Includes support for an asymmetric strategy, excepting accounts in Taiwan's defense budget related to personnel expenditures (other than military training and education and any funding related to the All-Out Defense Mobilization Agency). This certification shall be published In the Federal Register and, along with the accompanying Memorandum of Justification, shall be reported to Congress.

CN - Department of State intends to obligate \$9,793,000 in INCLE funds appropriated in the FY 2023 AUSAA to support citizen security and law enforcement, and transnational threats and

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crime programming in the E&E region. **Ukraine.** Pursuant to section 634A of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (FAA); section 7015(c) and the fourth proviso of the INCLE heading of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2023 (Div. K, P.L. 117-328) (FY 2023 SFOAA); and section 1706 of the Additional Ukraine Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2023 (Div. M, P.L. 117-328) (FY 2023 AUSAA).

CN - This notification is submitted pursuant to sections 634A of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, (FAA); and sections 7009(b)(3), 7015(c), 7031(a) and 7058(a) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2023 (Div. K, P.L. 117-103) (FY 2023 SFOAA). This is to advise that the Department of State (DoS) intends to make available for obligation through the implementing agencies \$207,440,407 from the FY 2023 GHP-State account appropriated under the FY 2023 SFOAA. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR). Global Health Programs-State (GHP-State).

CN – Department of State intends to obligate \$6,360,000 in FY 2023 NADR funds to support EXBS program activities described below. A portion of the funds may be used for monitoring and evaluation and administrative costs necessary for implementation of programs. **Rafah** Border Crossing Support.

CN - Curtiss-Wright Corporation proposes a manufacturing license agreement to transfer defense articles, including technical data and defense services, to Mexico, Canada, and the UK to support the manufacture of variable differential transducers, stators, solenoids, electric motors, linear actuators, and temperature sensors, and associated components and sub-assemblies for ultimate end-use in the United States, Canada, and the UK. CERTIFICATION OF PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF AN EXPORT LICENSE PURSUANT TO SECTION 36(c) OF THE ARMS EXPORT CONTROL ACT.

CN - Sig Sauer, Inc. proposes the export of 427 each SIGMCX 7.62mm fully automatic rifles, 5.56mm upper receivers, and 7.62mm sound suppressors to Velmar LLP in Kazakhstan for ultimate end use by the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan. CERTIFICATION OF PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF AN EXPORT LICENSE PURSUANT TO SECTION 36(c) OF THE ARMS EXPORT CONTROL ACT.

CN – Department of State intends to obligate \$500,000 in FY 2023 ESF to support programming as part of the implementation of the U.S. Strategy to Prevent Conflict and Promote Stability (SPCPS) in Coastal West Africa (CWA) (Benin, Cote d'Ivoire, Ghana, Guinea, and Togo), including for administration of such programs. Pursuant to section 634A of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (FAA), and sections 7015(c) and (h)(2)(D) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriation Act, 2023 (Div. K, P.L. 117- 328) (SFOAA) and section 509(a)(4) of the Global Fragility Act of 2019 (Title V, Div. J, P.L. 116-94) (GFA).

CN – Department of State intends to obligate \$1,300,000 in FY 2024 Foreign Military Financing (FMF) to support FMF Administration funds for the Department of State, including for FMF/International Military Education and Training (IMET) staffing support.

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Wednesday, January 17th

Hearing: Examining the Flow of U.S. Money into China's Military Might

Witnesses:

The Honorable Matthew Pottinger

Chairman of FDD China Program
Foundation for Defense of Democracies

Mr. Jason Matheny

President and Chief Executive Officer

The RAND Corporation

Mr. Peter Harrell

Non-Resident Fellow

Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

Full Committee, Chairman Michael McCaul

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Hearing: Protecting Emerging Technologies for Peace and Stability in the

Indo-Pacific

Witnesses:

The Honorable Nathaniel Fick

Ambassador at Large, Bureau of Cyberspace and Digital Policy U.S. State Department

The Honorable C.S. Eliot Kang

Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation U.S. State Department

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### The Honorable Thea D. Rozman Kendler

Assistant Secretary, Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security

U.S. Department of Commerce

Subcommittee on the Indo-Pacific, Chairwoman Kim

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Thursday, January 18th

Hearing: The Myth of the New Cuban Entrepreneurs: An Analysis of the

Biden Administration's Cuba Policy

Witnesses:

Mr. Eric Jacobstein

Deputy Assistant Secretary

Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs

U.S. Department of State

Mr. Enrique Roig

Deputy Assistant Secretary

Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor

U.S. Department of State

Subcomittee on the Western Hemisphere, Chairwoman Salazar

\*\*\* LEGISLATION REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE \*\*\*

<u>H.R.7047</u> —To prohibit funding for the World Economic Forum. Sponsor: <u>Perry, Scott</u> [Rep.-R-PA-10]

<u>H.R.7025</u> —To extend and authorize annual appropriations for the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom through fiscal year 2026.Sponsor: <u>Smith, Christopher H. [Rep.-R-NJ-4]</u>

<u>H.Con.Res.82</u> — Recognizing and supporting the efforts of the New Heights Bid Committee to bring the 2027 Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) Women's World Cup competition to the United States and Mexico. Sponsor: <u>LaHood</u>, <u>Darin [Rep.-R-IL-16]</u>

<u>H.Res.966</u> — Condemning rape and sexual violence committed by Hamas in its war against Israel. Sponsor: <u>Frankel, Lois [Rep.-D-FL-22]</u>

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<u>H.Res.965</u> — Calling for the immediate release of Ryan Corbett, a United States citizen, who was wrongfully detained by the Taliban on August 10, 2022, and condemning the wrongful detention of Americans by the Taliban. Sponsor: <u>Tenney, Claudia [Rep.-R-NY-24]</u>

## \*\*\* EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS \*\*\* EC – Executive Communication; PM – Presidential Message; PT – Petition; ML – Memorial

<u>PM</u> – A report on strikes against facilities to deter, degrade, and disrupt the ability of the Houthi Militants to carry out future attacks against the Unted States and vessels operating in the Red Sea Region, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1543©; Public Law 93-148, SEC. 4©; (87 STAT. 556).

## \*\*\*REPORTING REQUIREMENTS \*\*\*

<u>Report to Congress</u>, Fiscal Year 2023 Report for the Federal Information Security Modernization Act and Agency (FISMA) Privacy Management.

Report to Congress, Renewing Global Efforts to End TB.

<u>Report</u> to Congress, Inspection of Embassy Baghdad and Constituent Post, Iraq. OIG inspected the executive direction, policy and program implementation, resource management, and information management operations of Embassy Baghdad. The inspection included Consulate General Erbil.

Report to Congress, the complexity, scale, and speed of the U.S. government's response to Russia's war against Ukraine demands robust oversight. The U.S. Department of State (Department) and U.S. Agency for Global Media (USAGM) response to the war is the top oversight priority for the Office of Inspector General (OIG). OIG is leveraging its extensive knowledge of the programs and operations of the Department and USAGM to provide timely oversight of the Ukraine response effort, as well as critical information for Congress and the U.S. taxpayer.

Report to Congress on U.S. Security Assistance Provided to Ukraine since the February 24, 2022, Russian invasion of Ukraine as required by Section 1202 of the Additional Ukraine Supplemental Appropriation Act, 2023. Division M of P.L. 117-328 as of November 1, 2023.

#### \*\*\* GAO REPORTS \*\*\*

Report to Congress, on behalf of the Administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), I am pleased to provide USAID's formal statement of action taken or planned (SOA) in response to the report produced by the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) titled: USAID: Management Improvements Needed to Better Meet Global Health Mission (GAO-23-105178). In accordance with Section 720 of Title 31 of the United States Code, the head of a Department or Agency must submit to Congress a written statement of action taken or planned on recommendations directed by the Comptroller General. This letter complies with that requirement. The final report contains six recommendations for USAID. USAID fully concurs with the six recommendations. USAID takes oversight and accountability for our management and operations seriously and is taking action to implement each of the report recommendations.

## \*\*\* CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATIONS \*\*\*

CN – Department of State is notifying you of its intent to obligate \$10,000,000, pending the availability of funds, to support the Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative (YSEALI) Academic Fellowship. The intended recipient for the YSEALI Academic Fellowship will be selected through an open competition. Consistent with section 705 of the United States Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1948 ("Smith-Mundt Act").

CN – The Department of State is notifying you of its intent to obligate \$2,307,039 in FY 2024 Educational and Cultural Exchange Programs (ECE) funds to support the Traditional Public-Private Partnership (TPPP) programs, pending the availability of FY 2024 funds. These funds will support five TPPP programs. Intended recipients are: • American Councils for Young Political Leaders (ACYPL) (Washington, DC) • Institute for Representative Government (IRG) (Washington, DC) • Partners of the Americas (Partners) (Washington, DC) • Sister Cities International (SCI) (Washington, DC) • Solidarity Center (Washington, DC). Consistent with section 705 of the United States Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1948 ("Smith-Mundt Act").

CN 24 008 – The Department of State is informing you of its intent to obligate Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Foreign Military Financing (FMF) funds for the Countering PRC People's Republic of China (PRC) Influence Fund (CPIF) and to change the program content of FY 2022 FMF-CPIF funds previously notified on September 14, 2022 (CN# 22-340) for Uruguay. This notification is being submitted on behalf of the Bureau of Political Military Affairs. Department of State - \$50,000,000. These funds will support projects for Argentina, Greece, Jordan, Malaysia, Panama, Papua New Guinea, and Vanuatu and Uruguay through the program content change. The planned activities are explained further in the attached enclosure.

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CN 24 009 – The Department of State informs you of its intent to obligate Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Two-Year Peacekeeping Operations (PKO) and FY 2024 One-Year PKO. The Department of State also intends to change the content of FY 2019 PKO-Overseas Contingency Operations (OCO) (notified on April 24, 2020, CN #20-096), FY 2020 PKO-OCO (notified on March 11, 2020, CN #20-045), FY 2021 PKO-OCO (notified on May 24, 2022, CN #22-129) and FY 2022 Two-Year PKO (with extended availability under section 7014(b) and notified on July 7, 2023, CN #23-218). This notification is submitted on behalf of the Bureau of Political-Military Affairs. These funds will support the Africa Regional Counterterrorism (ARCT), Countering Strategic Competitors (CSC), Multinational Force and Observers (MFO), PKO Program Management, and Trans-Sahara Counterterrorism Partnership (TSCTP) programs. The activities are explained further in the attached enclosure.

CN #24 – This notification is to advise that the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) intends to obligate up to \$240,000 in Fiscal Year 2021 and Fiscal Year 2022 DF from the Global Labor Program in support of worker organizing activities in Bahrain. The Fiscal Year 2021 DF funds (approximately \$120,000) were previously notified in Country/Bureau Narrative (CBN) #101, March 30, 2022, by the bureau formerly known as the Bureau for Development, Democracy, and Innovation (DDI), and the Fiscal Year 2022 DF funds (approximately \$120,000) were previously notified in CBN #129, dated May 1, 2023, and are being renotified due to the inclusion of activities in Bahrain.

CN – The prospective DFC office openings listed here are on track to be formally notified to Congress within the next ten days. Each office will be staffed by a Managing Director who provides business development and early execution support and direction to DFC programs for investors. The Managing Director also works with other U.S. government agencies to support a whole-of-government approach to catalyzing U.S. investment in their assigned region. Ukraine Office, Philippines Office.

CN - This notification is to advise that the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) intends to obligate \$1,700,000 in fiscal year (FY) 2023 AEECA funds to support activities in the Europe and Eurasia Region. This notification is submitted pursuant to section 634A of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended; and sections 7015(c), 7015(f), and 7015(h)(2)(G) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2023 (P.L. 117-328, Division K) (SFOAA) special notification requirements related to the Countering Russian Influence Fund.

CN - The Department of State is informing you of its intent to obligate Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs (NADR) funds. This notification is being submitted on behalf of the Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation (ISN). • Department of State - \$7,350,000 The funds will support activities of the Nonproliferation and Disarmament Fund. The planned activities are explained further in the attached enclosure.

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# U.S.HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS SURVEY OF ACTIVITIES

JANUARY 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2024 – JANUARY 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2024

\*\*\* MEETINGS, HEARINGS, AND MARKUPS \*\*\*

None

\*\*\* LEGISLATION REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE \*\*\*

#### None

## \*\*\* EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS \*\*\*

EC - Executive Communication; PM - Presidential Message; PT - Petition; ML - Memorial

EC – Transmitting the Department's Final Rule – Publication, Coordination, and Reporting of International Agreements: Amendments; Correction [Public Notice: 122266] (RIN: 1400-AF63) received January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); P.L. 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868). 02936.

<u>EC</u> – Transmitting a report titled, "Resolution of the Cyprus Dispute," pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2373©. 02935.

<u>EC</u> – Transmitting a report titled, "International Exchanges and Training Programs: Activities of the Interagency Working Group," pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2460 (f).

<u>EC</u> – Transmitting a letter informing congress of action taken consistent with the War Powers Resolution, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1543©; P.L. 93-148, Sec. 4©; (87 Stat. 556).

EC-A report on strikes against underground storage sites and locations associated with the Houthi' missile and air surveillance capabilities to deter, degrade and disrupt the ability of the Houthi militants, pursuant to 50 U.S.C 1543 ©; P.L. 93-148, Sec, 4 ©; (87 Stat. 556).

Report to Congress, on the Department of Defense's Use of the "All Necessary Corrective Steps" Exemption Under Section 362(B) of Title 10, U.S. Code.

Report to Congress, section 5323(b) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2022 (see enclosure) requires the Office of Inspector General (OIG) for the Department of State (Department) and the United States Agency for Global Media to provide a quarterly report to Congress and the Secretary of State detailing any instances of individuals failing to comply with an OIG request for an interview or access to documents within 60 days. As of December 31, 2023, OIG identified the below instances of Department personnel failing to comply with an OIG request for an interview or access to documents within 60 days.

Report to Congress, Ongoing Embassy Construction Projects, and Major Embassy Security Upgrade Projects as of November 2023 Dollar amounts reported in thousands.

Report to Congress Pursuant to Section 1264 Detailing Implementation of the Global Magnitsky Human Rights Accountability Act of 2016 (P.L. 114-328, as amended by P.L. 117-10, Section 6) (22 USC 2656: Management of Foreign Affairs) Pursuant to Section 1264 of the Act, and in accordance with E.O. 13818, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury, submits this report to detail the Administration's implementation of the Act in the 2023 reporting period.

Report to Congress on Changes to the Foreign Service Officer Test Section 9218 of the Department of State Authorization Act of 2022 (Div. I, P.L. 117-263) Consistent with Section 9218 of the Department of State Authorization Act of 2022 (Div. I, P.L. 117-263), the Department of State (Department) submits to Congress a report on Changes to the Foreign Service Officer Test describing and justifying any changes made during fiscal years 2022 and 2023 to the Foreign Service entry process, including—

Report to Congress on Cybersecurity Recruitment and Retention Section 9506(b)(3) of the Department of State Authorization Act of 2022 (Div. I, P.L. 117-263) Consistent with section 9506(b)(3) of the Department of State Authorization Act of 2022 (Div. I, P.L. 117-263), the Department is providing a report on Cybersecurity Recruitment and Retention.

Report to Congress, Audit of Select Contract Administration Processes Related to the Construction of New Embassy Compound Mexico City, Mexico.

Russian Invasion of Ukraine as require by section 1202 of the Additional Ukraine Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2023 (division M of P.L. 117-328) as of November 1, 2023.

Report to Congress, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 516 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, we are providing herewith notification of the proposed grant transfer of four T-1A Jayhawk Aircraft to the Government of Uruguay under the Excess Defense articles (EDA) program.

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Report to Congress, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) Report on the Use of the Authority to Issue Innovation Incentive Awards (Period ending December 2023) Overview: The Joint Explanatory Statement (JES) that accompanied the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2016 (Div. K of P.L. 114-113) stated: Subsection (d)(6) includes new, limited authority for the provision of Innovation Incentive Awards, similar to that proposed in the Senate bill. The USAID Administrator is directed to report to the Committees on Appropriations every six months on the use of such authority. USAID submits this updated report to Congress on the use of the authority to issue Innovation Incentive Awards, under section 7034(d)(5) of the FY 2023 State, Foreign Operations and Related Programs Appropriations Act (SFOAA), and outlined in the FY 2016 SFOAA.

Report to Congress, submitting a report pursuant to the Congressional reporting requirements in PL 116-260, Division K, Sec 8005(e) that the United States International Development Finance Corporation (DFC) provide a report to the appropriate congressional committees detailing DFC's activities regarding the Joint Investment for Peace Initiative, including the investments received and provided through the Initiative, the mechanisms for accountability, and DFC's contributions to promoting and supporting Palestinian economic development and cooperation. You will find the DFC Joint Investment for Peace Initiative Annual Report for 2023 enclosed.

Report to Congress on A Plan to Promote Energy Security in Ukraine Section 257(b)(3)(B) of Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act of 2017 (P.L. 115-44) (22 USC 9546) Section 257 (b)(3)(B) of Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act (CAATSA) requires the Secretary of State to submit to Congress a report every 180 days related to progress in implementation of the plan for Ukraine's energy security, developed pursuant to Section 257(b)(1) of CAATSA. This report covers the approximate period between July 2023 and November 2023. This update is submitted in coordination with the Administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and the Secretary of Energy and is based on efforts to work with the Government of Ukraine to develop a plan "to increase energy security in Ukraine, increase the amount of energy produced in Ukraine, and reduce Ukraine's reliance on energy imports from [Russia]."

Report to Congress, Quarterly Report to Congress on Passport Wait Times Section 6102 of the Department of State Authorization Act of 2023 (Div. F, P.L. 118-) In FY2023, Passport Services customers experienced unusually long processing times. These delays were caused by unprecedented workload that exceeded the capacity of an outdated and understaffed, paper-based processing system. The Department surged resources (including an extraordinary degree of employee overtime) to respond to the workload. We successfully returned published processing times to pre-pandemic levels in December of 2023. In total, we issued 24 million passport products in FY 2023, up from 22 million passport products in FY 2022.

Report to Congress, Ongoing Embassy Construction Projects, and Major Embassy Security Upgrade Projects as of November 2023, dollar amounts reported in thousands.

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Report to Congress, Enclosed is a DOD report submitted pursuant to Section 362 of title 10, U.S.C. (The DoD Leahy Law". Application of the "all necessary steps corrective steps" exemption to the general prohibition in the DoD Leahy Law on the use of funds made available to DoD to train, equip, or provide other assistance to a unit of a foreign security force when the Secretary pf Defense has credible information that the unit has committed a gross violation of human rights....

Report to Congress Pursuant to Section 1264 Detailing Implementation of the Global Magnitsky Human Rights Accountability Act of 2016 (P.L. 114-328, as amended by P.L. 117-10, Section 6) (22 USC 2656: Management of Foreign Affairs) Pursuant to Section 1264 of the Act, and in accordance with E.O. 13818, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury, submits this report to detail the Administration's implementation of the Act in the 2023 reporting period.

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<u>Report</u> – pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the AECA, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal 24-23, concerning the army's proposed letters of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Croation for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$500 million.

## \*\*\* GAO REPORTS \*\*\*

None

#### \*\*\* CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATIONS \*\*\*

CN 24 008 – The Department of State is informing you of its intent to change the program content of previously notified FY 2010 Peacekeeping Operations (PKO) funded equipment (previously notified on April 21, 2010, via CN #10-069), FY 2013 PKO (previously notified on July 23, 2013, via CN #13-174), FY 2015 PKO funds (previously notified on July 22, 2015, via CN #15-178), and FY 2022 Two-Year PKO funds (previously notified on July 18, 2023, via CN

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# 23-230). This notification is submitted on behalf of the Bureau of Political-Military Affairs. Department of State – \$1,031,760 These funds will support the Africa Conflict Stabilization and Border Security and Global Peace Operations Initiative programs.

CN 24 011 - The Department of State is informing you of its intent to obligate Fiscal Year 2024 Nonproliferation, Antiterrorism, Demining and Related Programs (NADR) funds for Global Threat Reduction (GTR) programs. This notification is being submitted on behalf of the Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation (ISN). Department of State - \$7,094,500. Lebanon, Iraq, Cambodia.

CN 24 012 – Notification advises of our intent to obligate up to \$8,654,797 in FY 2020 One-year IMET funds for Angola, Benin, Botswana, Cabo Verde, Comoros, Cote D' Ivoire, Ecuador, Equatorial Guinea, The Gambia, Kenya, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Republic of the Congo, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Seychelles, Togo, Zambia, Malaysia, Philippines, Timor Leste, Tonga, Armenia, Cyprus, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Argentina, Chile, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Guyana, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Turkey, Trinidad & Tobago, Uruguay and IMET Administration (Bahrain, Egypt, India, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Oman, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan).

CN 24 013 – The Department of State's OES Bureau intends to obligate up to \$47,000,000 in FY 2023 ESF made available in the FY 2023 SFOAA to support the Amazon Fund, which funds activities to prevent, monitor, and combat deforestation, as well as to promote preservation and sustainable use in the **Brazilian** Amazon and other critical biomes in the Amazon region. Project totals within this CN may include costs for monitoring and oversight of projects in accordance with Department of State, OES Bureau, and other federal policies.

CN 24 014 – Department of State's OES Bureau intends to obligate up to \$5,000,000 in FY 2023 ESF, made available in the FY 2023 SFOAA, to support the Americas Partnership Fund for Nature, which catalyzes investment in the **Western Hemisphere's** vast natural capital and potential for nature-based solutions. The funding in this notification may include costs for monitoring and oversight of projects in accordance with Department of State, OES Bureau, and other federal policies.

CN #26 – This notification is to advise that the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) intends to program \$25,000,000 for the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) Grant Facility. USAID will support the IDB Grant Facility to provide regional assistance that leverages investment operations in countries receiving large and sudden migration flows. The IDB will match USAID resources with an equivalent amount of funds for the Grant Facility. This notification is submitted pursuant to section 634A of the Foreign Assistance Act (FAA) of 1961, as amended; and sections 7015(c) and 7045(f)(2) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2023 (P.L. 117-328, Division K) (SFOAA).

CN #27 - This notification is to advise that the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) intends to obligate \$3,000,000 in FY 2023 ESF to meet the critical and time-sensitive

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community resilience needs in Burma. These funds are part of the overall ESF allocations for **Burma** reflected in the FY 2023 Congressional Budget Justification (CBJ) and are included herein due to the special notification requirements related to the country of Burma and the Indo-Pacific Strategy. A country narrative describing all FY 2023 programming for Burma will be forthcoming. This notification is submitted pursuant to section 634A of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended; sections 7015(c), 7015(f), and 7015(h)(2)(E) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2023 (P.L. 117-328, Division K) (SFOAA). Activities notified herein that provide assistance for **Burma** are expected to rely on notwithstanding authority under section 7043(a)(1)(A) of the SFOAA.

CN #28 - This notification is to advise that the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) intends to obligate a total of \$3,000,000 FY 2023 GHP-USAID Global Health Security funds. This notification is submitted pursuant to Section 7015(f) because of the special notification requirements related to Afghanistan, Burma, Egypt, Ethiopia, Nicaragua, South Sudan, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Syria, and Venezuela; and Section 7058(b)(5) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2023 (117-328, Division K) (FY 2023 SFOAA).

CN – Determination under Section 620 (q) of the FAA 1961 Relating to Assistance to Ukraine. Determination that assistance for Ukraine is in the national interest of the U.S. and thereby waive application of section 620(q) of the FAA with respect to such assistance.

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## U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

## **SURVEY OF ACTIVITIES**

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## \*\*\* MEETINGS, HEARINGS, AND MARKUPS \*\*\*

2:00 PM

Tuesday, January 30th

Joint Subcommittee Hearing: UNRWA Exposed: Examining the Agency's

Mission and Failures

Witnesses:

Richard Goldberg

Senior Advisor

Foundation for Defense of Democracies

**Marcus Sheff** 

Chief Executive Officer

**IMPACT-se** 

Hillel Neuer

**Executive Director** 

UN Watch

Mara Rudman

Schlesinger Professor

University of Virginia Miller Center

Subcommittee on Global Health, Global Human rights and International

Organizations, Chairman Chris Smith

Subcommittee on Oversight and Accountability, Chairman Brian Mast

2:00 PM

Wednesday, January 31st

Joint Subcommittee Hearing: The Future of Peacekeeping and the

Increasing Role of Private Military Companies in Africa

#### Witnesses:

## The Honorable Michele Sison

Assistant Secretary Bureau of International Organization Affairs U.S. Department of State

## Mr. Jonathan Pratt

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Bureau of African Affairs U.S. Department of State

Subcommittee on Africa, Chairman John James

Subcommittee on Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, Chairman Chris Smith

Wednesday, January 31st

HFAC Announces Roundtable on Taliban Reprisals

## Panelists:

## Amy Marden

Moral Compass Foundation

## **Andy Sullivan**

No One Left Behind

## Thomas Kasza

1208 Foundation

## **Justin Sapp**

Badger Six

## Michael Cizmar

Rafiq Friends of Afghanistan

## Elizabeth Lynn

Operation Recovery

## Joe Maida IV

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NATO Afghan Justice Sector Group

Sanjar Sohail 8AM Media

Subcommittee on Oversight and Accountability, Chairman Brian Mast

\*\*\* LEGISLATION REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE \*\*\*

<u>H.R.7175</u> —To protect individuals who face reprisals for defending human rights and democracy by enhancing the capacity of the United States Government to prevent, mitigate, and respond in such cases, and for other purposes. Sponsor: <u>McGovern, James P. [Rep.-D-MA-2]</u>

<u>H.R.7167</u> —To increase the role of the financial industry in combating human trafficking. Sponsor: <u>Fitzpatrick</u>, <u>Brian K. [Rep.-R-PA-1]</u>

<u>H.R.7159</u> —To bolster United States engagement with the Pacific Islands region, and for other purposes. Sponsor: <u>Case</u>, <u>Ed [Rep.-D-HI-1]</u>

<u>H.R.7152</u> — Divided Families National Registry Act. Sponsor: <u>Wexton, Jennifer [Rep.-D-VA-10]</u>

<u>H.R.7151</u> — 118th Congress (2023-2024)Export Control Enforcement and Enhancement ActSponsor: <u>Wagner, Ann [Rep.-R-MO-2]</u>

<u>H.J.Res.108</u> — Providing for congressional disapproval of the proposed foreign military sale to the Republic of Kosovo of certain defense articles and services. Sponsor: <u>Tenney</u>, <u>Claudia [Rep.-R-NY-24]</u>

<u>H.R.7122</u> — To prohibit aid that will benefit Hamas, and for other purposes. Sponsor: <u>Smith</u>, <u>Christopher H. [Rep.-R-NJ-4]</u>

<u>H.R.7111</u> —To establish the policy of the United States that the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East should be disbanded completely, and for other purposes. Sponsor: <u>Mast, Brian J. [Rep.-R-FL-21]</u>

<u>H.Res.982</u> — Condemning the continued violence in Sudan and calling on the international community to unequivocally support diplomatic efforts to achieve a cessation of hostilities, ensure the protection of civilians and secure unfettered access for humanitarian aid. Sponsor: <u>McCaul, Michael T. [Rep.-R-TX-10]</u>

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<u>H.Res.979</u> — Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that public health authorities and tobacco control advocates should encourage American innovation and embrace harm reduction as part of the comprehensive United States approach to tobacco control. Sponsor: <u>Reschenthaler</u>, <u>Guy [Rep.-R-PA-14]</u>

## \*\*\* EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS \*\*\*

EC - Executive Communication; PM - Presidential Message; PT - Petition; ML - Memorial

<u>EC</u> – A Report on Strikes Against Underground Storage Sites and Locations Associated with the Houthis' missile and Air Surveillance Capabilities to Deter, Degrade, and Disrupt the Ability of the Houthi Militants to Carry out Future Attacks Against the United States and Vessels Operating in the Red Sea Region, Pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1543©; P.L. 93-148, SEC. 4©; (87 STAT. 556).

<u>EC</u> – A letter Informing Congress of Action Taken Consistent with the War Powers Resolution, Pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1543©, P.L. 93-148, SEC. 4©; (87 STAT. 556).

## \*\*\*REPORTING REQUIREMENTS \*\*\*

Report Section 13(r) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, which was added by Section 219 of the Iran Threat Reduction and Syria Human Rights Act of 2012, requires issuers that file annual or quarterly reports under Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act to include disclosure in such reports regarding certain activities specified in Section 13(r).

<u>Report to Congress on 2024 Trafficking in Persons Interim Assessment Pursuant to the Trafficking Victims Protection Act.</u>

Report to Congress, FY 2023 Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Report.

Report to Congress, STATE-OWNED ENTERPRISES REFORM ACTIVITY IN UKRAINE, TASK ORDER 1 Monthly Spot Check Report (December 2023). This document was produced for review by the United States Agency for International Development. It was prepared under Task Order No. 720-121-21-F00002, Task Order 1 of the State-Owned Enterprises Reform Activity (SOERA) in Ukraine Indefinite Delivery, Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) Contract No. 720-121-21-D00001 implemented by Deloitte Consulting LLP.

Report to Congress, PEPFAR's Report to Congress on The Global Fund Section 202(c) of the United States Leadership Against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-25) - 22 USC 7622(c): Participation in the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria.

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Report Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended concerning Air Force's proposed letter of acceptance to the Government of Greece for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$8.6 billion.

Report Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, concerning the Air Force's proposed letter of offer and acceptance of the Republic of Türkiye estimated cost \$23 billion.

Report pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 26(b)(1) of the AECA, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 24-07 concerning the Air Force's proposed letters of offer and acceptance to the Government of India for defense articles and services estimates to cost \$3.99 billion. We will issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale upon delivery of this letter to your office.

### \*\*\* GAO REPORTS \*\*\*

#### None

## \*\*\* CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATIONS \*\*\*

CN - 2024 Special Watchlist Countries

CN - TRANSMITTAL No. 02-24 SECTION 27 PROJECT CERTIFICATION FOR THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE OF THE KINGDOM OF THE NETHERLANDS FOR RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, TEST, AND EVALUATION PROJECTS (Short Title: RDT&E MOU).

CN #29 - This narrative describes programs that USAID/African Union (AU) intends to carry out using FY 2023 new obligation authority (NOA). Of this NOA, notification is required for \$400,000, as described and underlined below, due to a substantive change from the FY 2023 Congressional Budget Justification (CBJ), marked with an asterisk (\*). This notification is submitted pursuant to section 634(A) of the Foreign Assistance Act (FAA) of 1961, as amended; and section 7015(c) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2023 (P.L. 117-328) (Division K) (SFOAA).

CN - DFC will provide an eight-year direct loan of up to \$20,000,000 to Lhoopa Singapore to support the improvement of existing housing units and small-scale land development construction, in both cases to provide affordable, centrally located housing for low-income salaried workers in the Philippines. This notification is submitted pursuant to Section 1446 of the

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BUILD Act of 2018 (P.L. 115-254, Division F), Section 7015(f) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2023 (P.L. 117-328, Division K), and Division A of the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2024 and Other Extensions Act (P.L. 118-15) in advance of the DFC's intended financial commitment outlined below.

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		YTD Including	
Description	January	January	Cumulative Total
Non Statutory Compensation	\$740,956.15	\$740,956.15	\$740,956.15
11 Personnel Compensation subtotal	\$740,956.15	\$740,956.15	\$740,956.15
Taxi	\$109.12	\$109.12	\$109.12
21 Travel subtotal	\$109.12	\$109.12	\$109.12
Printing & Reproduction	\$38.00	\$38.00	\$38.00
24 Printing and Reproduction subtotal	\$38.00	\$38.00	\$38.00
Training	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
25 Other Services subtotal	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Technology Service Contracts	\$1.04	\$1.04	\$1.04
Food & Beverage	\$209.69	\$209.69	\$209.69
Office Supplies (Transfer)	\$771.98	\$771.98	\$771.98
Computer Software <\$500	\$1,182.02	\$1,182.02	\$1,182.02
26 Supplies and Materials subtotal	\$2,164.73	\$2,164.73	\$2,164.73
Maintenance / Repairs	\$3,130.42	\$3,130.42	\$3,130.42
31 Equipment subtotal	\$3,130.42	\$3,130.42	\$3,130.42
Total Expenses	\$746,698.42	\$746,698.42	\$746,698.42

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## Fund Balance Statement by Paid Date

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Total Authorization	\$10,827,000.00
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Less Expenses for:	
January, 2024	\$746,698.42
Total Expenses to Date:	\$746,698.42
Unexpended Authorization	\$10,080,301.5

## U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Foreign Affairs - FM Monthly Statement by Paid Date

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	YTD Including			
Description	January	January	Cumulative Total	
Franked Mail	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
FM Franking subtotal	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Total Expenses	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	

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## Committee on Foreign Affairs - FM Fund Balance Statement by Paid Date January

Total Authorization		\$5,000.00
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Less Expenses for:		
January, 2024		\$0.00
Total Expenses to Date:		\$0.00
Unexpended Authorization		\$0.00

		Payer Name	BOC lookup	Amount	Description of Articles
01/10/2024	01/11/2024	01/11/2024 Ann Kowalewski	2135-Taxi	\$52.31 Taxi	Тахі
01/19/2024		Michael Levine	2135-Taxi	\$26.80	\$26.80 Taxi: M. Levine
01/10/2024		Elizabeth Mount	2135-Taxi	\$30.01	\$30.01 Taxi: E. Mount

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## Committee on Foreign Affairs Payroll Information for Monthly Committee Report

Fiscal Year:	(All)	
Month Paid:	January-24	
Туре	(Multiple Items)	

		Gross Monthly
Nome	Title	Compensation
Name Davida	General Counsel	\$17,675.00
Anderson, Douglas	Professional Staff Member	\$7,916.67
Ashida, Erik	Sr Professional Staff Member	\$12,000.00
Bednarczyk, Philip	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	\$12,000.00
Bergal, Carina	Subcommittee Counsel	
Billerbeck, Peter	Professional Staff Member	\$11,416.67 \$15,093,34
Bischoping, Mary	Counsel	\$15,083.34
Bivens, Robert II	Scheduler	\$2,500.00
Bruce, Emmarose	Staff Director	\$6,250.00
Callesen, Michael	Professional Staff Member	\$11,750.00
Carey, Laura	Sr PSM/Oversight Director	\$12,916.67
Carr Johnson, Zakiya	Professional Staff Member	\$11,250.00
Carroll, Charles	Professional Staff Member	\$14,250.00
Cassil, Emily	Shared Staffer	\$66.67
Castaneda, Alexis	Policy Assistant	\$9,666.66
Cerga, Vladimir	Director of Information & Technology	\$13,833.33
Chapman, William "Parker"	Staff Director	\$14,666.67
Clark, Dwayne	Professional Staff Member	\$11,333.34
Comrie, Blake	Staff Associate	\$7,791.66
Cooper, Ben	Subcommittee Staff Director	\$6,250.00
Davenport, Collin	Committee Liaison	\$100.00
Deperalta, Jacob	Policy Analyst	\$9,250.00
Dufault, Claire	Legislative Correspondent/Assistant	\$5,000.00
Dunleavy, Jerry	Senior Investigator	\$12,833.34
Earle, Katherine	Subcommittee Staff Director	\$15,500.00
Foltz, Joseph	Subcommittee Staff Director	\$15,916.67
Frohlich, Michael	Speech Writer	\$7,583.34
Fullerton, Laura	Deputy Staff Director	\$17,675.00
Galanes, Jason	Committee Liaison	\$100.00
Gandhi, Sajit	Deputy Staff Director	\$16,333.33
Gate, Ashley	Part Time Employee	\$1,533.33
- ·	Professional Staff Member	\$11,333.34
Goessler, Maggie	Director of Operations & Parliamentarian	\$17,675.00
Gorski, Jennifer	Sr Professional Staff Member	\$11,041.67
Gupta, Anubhav		\$7,500.00
Heil, Brennan	Deputy Communications	\$9,250.00
Jackson, Madeline	Policy Assistant/Clerk	
Jones, Sophie	Subcommittee Staff Director	\$6,250.00 \$11,750.00
Jordan, Aaron	Deputy Chief Counsel	\$11,750.00 \$15,500.00
Kaguyutan, Janice	Chief Counsel	\$15,500.00
Kokonos, Lance	Policy Analyst	\$9,666.66
Kortokrax, Chirsty	Shared	\$10,916.67
Kowalewski, Ann	Professional Staff Member	\$12,583.33
Kulukundis, Christopher	Professional Staff Member	\$10,500.00 \$13,035.00
Lafargue, Sophia	Staff Director	\$17,675.00
Laponsa, Sasha	Staff Associate	\$4,583.34
Late, Olivia	Communications Assistant	\$9,416.67
Lazio, Molly	Sr. Professional Staff Member	\$12,583.33
Lee, Eric	Professional Staff Member	\$12,166.67
Levine, Michael	Military Affairs Advisor	\$13,000.00

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		Gross Monthly
Name	Title	Compensation
Luyten, Derek	HDP Executive Director	\$12,916.67
Marca, Danny	Systems Administration	\$10,291.67
Marcus, Robert	Sr Professional Staff Member	\$12,333.33
Markley, Sarah	Professional Staff Member	\$12,166.67
Markus, Daniel	Sr Professional Staff Member	\$15,500.00
Martin, Joseph	Staff Assistant	\$7,333.33
Matlaga, Michael	Professional Staff Member/Subcommittee Staff Director	\$8,333.34
McCune, Colin	Finance Assistant	\$500.00
Milosch, Mark	TLHRC Sr Professional Staff Member	\$13,750.00
Mirviss, Sophie	Subcommittee Staff Director	\$6,250.00
Montgomery, McKayla	Shared	\$4,166.67
Mount, Elizabeth	Policy Analyst/Clerk African Subcommittee	\$9,666.66
Navarrete, Emilio	PSM	\$10,500.00
Norman, Sarah	O&I Sr Counsel	\$11,250.00
Pann, Ethan	Digital Press Secretary	\$8,833.33
Pita, Ricardo	Subcommittee Staff Director	\$14,666.67
Pitt, McCoy	Legal Counsel	\$13,416.66
Ramsay, Brandon	Sr. Policy Analyst/Subcomm Staff Director	\$6,666.67
Ravishankar, Siddarth	Subcommittee Staff Director	\$6,250.00
Reagan, Leslie	HDP - Deputy Director	\$6,250.00
Ritchey, George	Security Officer	\$13,000.00
Roos, Amber Harris	Finance Director	\$2,750.00
Ross, Andrew	Shared	\$6.67
Schwartz, Allison	Policy Analyst	\$9,666.66
Shedd, Leslie	Communications Director	\$17,174.99
Shields, Brendan	Staff Director	\$17,675.00
Stanton, Kimberly	Sr Professional Staff Member	\$9,166.67
Steffens, Jessica	Sr Professional Staff Member	\$16,958.34
Strother, William	Sr Policy Analyst	\$10,500.00
Throckmorton, Shea	Policy Analyst	\$9,250.00
Towns, Marcus	Director of Member Services	\$10,916.67
Trudnak, Isabelle	Staff Assistant	\$391.67
Vasilescu, Dikran	Communications Director	\$11,000.00
Vigil, Mary	Subcommittee Staff Director	\$15,916.67
Wagner, Megan	Hearing Clerk	\$13,416.66
Walker, Rachel	Senior Advisor	\$12,166.67
Walsh, James	Sr Professional Staff Member	\$14,250.00
Weiland, Frank	Senior Counsel	\$16,333.33
White, Christopher	Counsel	\$14,666.67
Woody, Taryn	Professional Staff Member	\$10,916.67
Zach, Gabriella	Subcommittee Staff Director	\$15,500.00
Grand Total		\$937,498.38

# U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Foreign Affairs List of Detailees – January 2024

Detailee	Agency	Current Assignment
Letitia Fletcher	Government Publishing Office	1/3/24 - 1/2/24
John Morrisroe	Department of State	8/1/23 - 8/1/24