AMENDMENTS ADOPTED TO THE

STATE/FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS BILL

FOR FY 2013

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AMENDMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, FOREIGN OPERATIONS, AND RELATED PRO-GRAMS APPROPRIATIONS BILL

OFFERED BY MS. GRANGER OF TEXAS

In the Report:

At the appropriate place on page 13, insert the following new paragraph:

"Other exchanges.-The Committee also encourages the Department of State to continue, on a competitive basis, exchange programs targeting high priority areas and groups, including the Future Leaders Exchange programs, critical language programs, and programs providing overseas training in strategic languages for Americans."

At the appropriate place on page 22, insert the following new paragraph:

"The Committee understands the International Joint Commission is in the process of updating water regulation levels and releases for the St. Lawrence River and Lake Ontario. The Committee urges the Secretary of State to ensure that any new regulatory plan approved by the Commission is based upon clear, current, and indepth study, including a thorough examination of the economic impact on stakeholders of the final plan."

At the appropriate place on page 23, insert the following new paragraph:

"The Committee recommendation includes funds for the operational costs of the International Pacific Halibut Commission. The Committee expects the Department of State to ensure that the Commission's operational requirements, including the cost of office space, are met prior to initiating any new or expanded programmatic activities."

On page 31, in the paragraph with the heading "Diversity engagement", before the word "directs" on line 3, insert the following:

"encourages USAID to provide continued funding for a fellowship program in honor of the late Donald M. Payne to support graduate school, professional development, and entry into USAID's Foreign Service. The Committee"

On page 31, in the paragraph with the heading "Faith-based organizations", after "FBOs" in the fourth line, insert the following:

", including rights related to employment practices,"

On page 45, after the paragraph with the header "Sudan", insert the following new paragraph:

"The Committee is deeply concerned about the ongoing violence in Sudan, including in Darfur, Southern Kordofan, and Blue Nile and the continued conflict between Sudan and South Sudan. The Committee notes that the humanitarian situation in the border region has deteriorated because of ongoing violence and the prevention of humanitarian access to the region by the Government of Sudan. The Committee urges the Administration to continue to prioritize all diplomatic and development efforts to address the immediate humanitarian crisis and resolve outstanding issues laid out in the Comprehensive Peace Agreement for long-term stability and economic development for the region."

At the appropriate place on page 46, insert the following new paragraph:

"Ukraine.-The Committee continues to encourage efforts to strengthen democratic processes, accountable governance, independent media, judicial reform, and anti-corruption efforts in Ukraine. The Committee is concerned about recent declines in democratic governance, particularly the abuse of power to create unfair conditions for political competition, and encourages close moni-

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toring by the Department of State of upcoming national elections."

At the appropriate place on page 48, insert the following new paragraph:

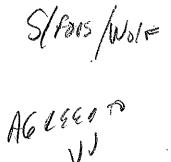
"Haiti.-The Committee is concerned about the number of Haitians that remain displaced and continue to suffer from gender-based violence, internal displacement, cholera, and lost livelihoods after the earthquake that struck Haiti in 2010. While the Committee recognizes the complex challenges facing Haiti, these conditions continue despite more than a billion dollars of assistance provided by the United States in immediate response to the earthquake and additional annual appropriations provided since that time. The Committee directs USAID and the State Department to report to the Committees on Appropriations, not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act, on the assistance provided to Haiti since 2010, including obligation and expenditure data, overall progress of the rebuilding and development efforts, and the mechanisms in place for consultation and participation of the Haitian government, civil society, grassroots networks, and the Haitian Diaspora."

At the appropriate place on page 51, insert the following new paragraph: "The Committee remains concerned about ongoing refugee crises in the Western Hemisphere, including Colombian refugees, and urges the Secretary of State to continue programs to provide urgent protection and assistance. The Committee expects the Department of State to brief the Committees on Appropriations, not later than 60 days after enactment of this Act, on plans for these programs in fiscal year 2013, including the strategy for involving international and non-governmental organizations."





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AMENDMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, FOREIGN OPERATIONS, AND RELATED PRO-GRAMS BILL

OFFERED BY MR. WOLF OF VIRGINIA

On page 135, line 22, strike "Limitation on Assistance".

On page 136, before line 24, insert the following new paragraph:

1	(4)(A) None of the funds appropriated by this
2	Act for bilateral economic assistance may be made
3	available for assistance to the central government of
4	any country that admits President Omar al-Bashir
5	of Sudan.
6	(B) The prohibition of subparagraph (A)
7	shall apply unless the Secretary of State deter-
8	mines and reports to the Committees on Appro-
9	priations that such admission occurred for the
10	purposes of—
11	(i) bringing to justice President Omar
12	al-Bashir for crimes against humanity, war
13	crimes, or genocide; or

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1	(ii) furthering the peace process be
2	tween Sudan and South Sudan.
3	(C) The prohibition in subparagraph (A
4	shall not apply to assistance provided for hu
5	manitarian purposes.





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AMENDMENT TO STATE AND FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS BILL OFFERED BY MR. REHBERG OF MONTANA

At the end of title VII, insert the following:

ARMS TRADE TREATY

SEC. 70xx. None of the funds appropriated in this

Act may be obligated or expended to advocate or agree

to any provision of a United Nations Arms Trade Treaty

that would restrict in any way the rights of United States

citizens under the second amendment to the Constitution

of the United States, or that would otherwise regulate the

domestic manufacture, importation, assembly, possession,

use, transfer, or purchase of firearms, ammunition, or re
lated items.

Amendment to the Bill



AMENDMENT TO STATE AND FOREIGN OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS BILL

OFFERED BY MR. DENT OF PENNSYLVANIA

Page 135, line 16, strike "Of" and insert "(1) Of".

Page 135, after line 21, insert the following:

1	(2)(A) Not later than 30 days after the date of
2	the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State
3	shall submit to the appropriate congressional com-
4	mittees—
5	(i) a detailed report on whether the Nige-
6	rian organization named "People Committed to
7	the Propagation of the Prophet's Teachings and
8	Jihad" (commonly known as "Boko Haram"),
9	meets the criteria for designation as a foreign
10	terrorist organization pursuant to section 219
11	of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8
12	U.S.C. 1189); and
13	(ii) if the Secretary of State determines
14	that Boko Haram does not meet such criteria,
15	the Secretary shall submit a report with a de-
16	tailed justification regarding which designation

1	criteria of section 219 of the Immigration and
2	Nationality Act have not been met.
3	(B) The report required by subparagraph (A)
4	shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may in-
5	clude a classified annex if appropriate.
6	(C) In this paragraph, the term "appropriate
7	congressional committees" means—
8	(i) the Committee on Appropriations, the
9	Committee on Homeland Security, the Com-
0	mittee on Armed Services, the Committee on
i 1	Foreign Affairs, and the Permanent Select
12	Committee on Intelligence of the House of Rep-
13	resentatives; and
14	(ii) the Committee on Appropriations, the
15	Committee on Homeland Security and Govern
16	mental Affairs, the Committee on Armed Serv
17	ices, the Committee on Foreign Relations, and
18	the Select Committee on Intelligence of the
19	Senate.

