

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4016, AS REPORTED

OFFERED BY MR. STEUBE OF FLORIDA

At the end of the bill (before the short title), add the following:

1. Sec. _____. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be made available after 60 days after the date of the enactment of this Act to the armed forces of Lebanon until the date on which the Secretary of State certifies to the appropriate congressional committees that –
 1. the Government of Lebanon, including the Chamber of Deputies, no longer recognizes the legitimacy as political parties of, nor permits its ministers or other cabinet-level officials to be from or claim alliance with –
 - a. Hezbollah;
 - b. Loyalty to the Resistance Bloc; and
 - c. Amal
 2. Hezbollah no longer maintains any presence in Lebanon pursuant to action of the Lebanese Armed Forces and internal security forces to implement the clauses of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1559 (2004), which calls for the “disbanding and disarmament of all Lebanese and non-Lebanese militias”;
 3. such implementation of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1559 includes the expulsion of Hezbollah forces from known strongholds;
 4. the Lebanese Armed Forces and internal security forces have established an increased presence in areas known to be Hezbollah strongholds in order to prevent a resurgence of Hezbollah;
 5. the Lebanese Armed Forces do not maintain any coordination, collaboration, or support with Hezbollah, its affiliates, or any other group designated by the United States as a foreign terrorist organization that has a presence in Lebanon as of the date of such certification;
 6. no member of the Lebanese Armed Forces maintains any coordination with or receives any support, either directly or indirectly, from any entity or organization that is an agent of,

affiliated with, or owned or controlled by the Iranian Regime or Hezbollah;

7. any military aid previously received from Iran, whether in the form of weapons, ammunition, munitions, or equipment, is destroyed or disarmed; and
8. Lebanese courts and military tribunals under the jurisdiction of the Lebanese armed forces dismiss all charges and arrest warrants against American citizens who have advocated against Hezbollah's influence over the Government of Lebanon, including American journalists who have appeared on Israeli news media or invited Israeli guests on their media programs.