



1 oned worldwide, continuing the historically high  
2 trend seen in previous years, and 57 journalists were  
3 held hostage.

4 (3) As the frontier between countries at war  
5 and countries at peace continues to disappear, more  
6 must be done to protect journalists and activists de-  
7 fending human rights and spreading awareness of  
8 abuse and corruption.

9 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
10 gress that—

11 (1) a free and vibrant press is the fulcrum of  
12 democracy;

13 (2) the protection and advancement of the free-  
14 dom of expression is a foundational value of the  
15 United States;

16 (3) the Universal Declaration of Human Rights,  
17 which the General Assembly of the United Nations  
18 adopted in 1948 with the United States voting in  
19 favor, defines freedom of expression, which includes  
20 a free press, as a fundamental human right;

21 (4) the International Covenant on Civil and Po-  
22 litical Rights, which the United States ratified in  
23 1992, specifies that everyone shall have the “free-  
24 dom to seek, receive and impart information and  
25 ideas of all kinds, regardless of frontiers, either oral-

1 ly, in writing or in print, in the form of art, or  
2 through any other media of his choice”; and

3 (5) it is in the national security interest of the  
4 United States to promote the spread of democratic  
5 values and institutions worldwide.

6 **SEC. \_\_\_\_ 3. OFFICE ON INTERNATIONAL PRESS FREEDOM;**  
7 **COORDINATOR FOR INTERNATIONAL PRESS**  
8 **FREEDOM.**

9 (a) **ESTABLISHMENT OF OFFICE.**—There is estab-  
10 lished within the Department of State an Office on Inter-  
11 national Press Freedom (referred to in this section as the  
12 “Office”).

13 (b) **COORDINATOR FOR INTERNATIONAL PRESS**  
14 **FREEDOM.**—

15 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Office shall be headed  
16 by the Coordinator for International Press Freedom  
17 appointed under paragraph (2).

18 (2) **APPOINTMENT.**—The Coordinator shall be  
19 appointed by the Secretary of State.

20 (3) **REPORTING.**—The Coordinator shall report  
21 to the Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy,  
22 Human Rights, and Labor.

23 (c) **DUTIES.**—The Coordinator for International  
24 Press Freedom shall have the following responsibilities:

1           (1) IN GENERAL.—The primary responsibility  
2 of the Coordinator shall be—

3           (A) to advance the right to freedom of the  
4 press and freedom of expression abroad;

5           (B) to denounce violations of that right;

6           (C) to recommend appropriate responses  
7 by the United States Government when that  
8 right is violated;

9           (D) to recommend—

10           (i) the issuance of nonimmigrant visas  
11 to individuals classified as threatened jour-  
12 nalists under subsection (s) of section 214  
13 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8  
14 U.S.C. 1184), as added by section  
15 \_\_\_\_\_ 6(a); and

16           (ii) the provision of humanitarian pa-  
17 role to certain journalists under section  
18 \_\_\_\_\_ 6(b); and

19           (E) to make individualized determinations  
20 with respect to the continued risk to the lives  
21 and safety of such individuals and journalists,  
22 as described in section \_\_\_\_\_ 6(c).

23           (2) ADVISORY ROLE.—The Coordinator shall—

24           (A) be the principal adviser to the Assist-  
25 ant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human

1 Rights, and Labor regarding matters affecting  
2 press freedom abroad; and

3 (B) make recommendations regarding—

4 (i) the policies of the United States  
5 Government toward foreign governments  
6 that violate freedom of the press or fail to  
7 ensure the safety and freedom of persons  
8 engaged in free expression or journalism;  
9 and

10 (ii) policies to advance the right to  
11 free expression and freedom of the press  
12 abroad.

13 (3) DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATION.—Subject to  
14 the direction of the Secretary of State and the As-  
15 sistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human  
16 Rights, and Labor, the Coordinator is authorized to  
17 represent the United States in matters and cases  
18 relevant to press freedom abroad in—

19 (A) contacts with foreign governments,  
20 intergovernmental organizations, and special-  
21 ized agencies of the United Nations, the Orga-  
22 nization for Security and Co-operation in Eu-  
23 rope, and other international organizations of  
24 which the United States is a member; and

1 (B) multilateral conferences and meetings  
2 relevant to press freedom abroad.

3 (4) OTHER DUTIES.—The Coordinator shall  
4 have such other responsibilities in carrying out this  
5 subtitle as the Secretary of State and the Assistant  
6 Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights,  
7 and Labor determine.

8 (d) FUNDING.—The Secretary of State shall provide  
9 the Coordinator for International Press Freedom with  
10 such funds as may be necessary for the hiring of staff  
11 for—

12 (1) the Office;

13 (2) the conduct of investigations by the Office;

14 and

15 (3) necessary travel.

16 **SEC. \_\_\_\_ 4. AT-RISK JOURNALISTS FUND.**

17 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the  
18 Treasury of the United States a fund, to be known as the  
19 “At-Risk Journalists Fund” (in this section referred to  
20 as the “Fund”), to be administered by the Secretary of  
21 State.

22 (b) PURPOSES OF THE FUND.—The Secretary of  
23 State shall use the amounts in the Fund for the following  
24 purposes:

1           (1) To support journalists operating in restric-  
2           tive environments by providing—

3                   (A) training in digital identity protection  
4                   and physical security; and

5                   (B) psycho-social care.

6           (2) To provide short-term emergency assistance  
7           to support and protect journalists who have been  
8           threatened, harassed, or attacked and need to relo-  
9           cate, which may be provided through existing mecha-  
10          nisms such as the Human Rights Defenders Fund of  
11          the Department of State.

12          (3) To provide medium-term emergency assist-  
13          ance resources for journalists in danger, including  
14          continuing support to journalists described in para-  
15          graph (2) whose relocations must be extended due to  
16          ongoing security concerns.

17          (c) USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts authorized to be ap-  
18          propriated under subsection (e) shall be obligated and ex-  
19          pended consistent with the action plan required by section  
20          7032(i)(1) of the Department of State, Foreign Oper-  
21          ations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2018  
22          (division K of Public Law 115–141).

23          (d) ANNUAL REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

24                  (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than March 1 of  
25          each year, the Secretary of State shall submit to the

1 appropriate committees of Congress a report on the  
2 Fund.

3 (2) ELEMENTS.—Each report required by para-  
4 graph (1) shall include the following:

5 (A) The total amount expended from the  
6 Fund during the previous calendar year for  
7 each of the purposes specified in subsection (b).

8 (B) A description of the specific programs  
9 implemented using amounts from the Fund  
10 during such year.

11 (C) Data regarding the number and na-  
12 tionality of journalists assisted using such  
13 amounts during such year.

14 (D) Such accounts of individuals assisted  
15 by the Fund during such year that the Sec-  
16 retary of State considers relevant to share.

17 (3) DEFINITION OF APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES  
18 OF CONGRESS.—In this subsection, the term “appro-  
19 priate committees of Congress” means—

20 (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations,  
21 the Committee on Appropriations, and the  
22 Human Rights Caucus of the Senate; and

23 (B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the  
24 Committee on Appropriations, and the Tom



1           Lantos Human Rights Commission of the  
2           House of Representatives.

3           (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

4           (1) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to be  
5           appropriated to the Fund \$30,000,000 to carry out  
6           this section for each of the 5 fiscal years beginning  
7           with the first fiscal year that begins after the date  
8           of the enactment of this Act.

9           (2) AVAILABILITY OF AMOUNTS.—Amounts au-  
10          thorized to be appropriated under paragraph (1)  
11          shall remain available until expended.

12          (f) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
13          gress that—

14           (1) amounts authorized to be appropriated  
15           under subsection (e) should be appropriated in addi-  
16           tion to amounts regularly appropriated for other  
17           programs to promote human rights and civil society;  
18           and

19           (2) support for civil society activists and other  
20           human rights defenders provided by the Federal  
21           Government as of the date of the enactment of this  
22           Act should not be decreased.

23          **SEC. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. ASSISTANCE TO COMBAT IMPUNITY.**

24          (a) LIST OF COUNTRIES.—Not later than 180 days  
25          after the date of the enactment of this Act, and not later

1 than March 1 of each year thereafter, the Secretary of  
2 State, in consultation with the Attorney General of the  
3 United States and nongovernmental organizations with ex-  
4 pertise in threats to journalists worldwide, shall create a  
5 list of not less than 10 countries in which journalists face  
6 the greatest risk of murder, assault, harassment, intimidat-  
7 ion, or other crimes.

8 (b) BUREAU OF INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS AND  
9 LAW ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Of amounts appropriated  
11 each fiscal year for “International Narcotics Control  
12 and Law Enforcement” for bilateral assistance for  
13 each country identified in the list required by sub-  
14 section (a), the Assistant Secretary of State for  
15 International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Af-  
16 fairs shall use not less than 10 percent for programs  
17 to assist police, prosecutors, judges, and other indi-  
18 viduals—

19 (A) to support the investigation and pros-  
20 ecution of individuals who commit crimes  
21 against journalists; and

22 (B) to prevent such crimes.

23 (2) CONSULTATION.—The Assistant Secretary  
24 of State for International Narcotics and Law En-  
25 forcement Affairs shall develop the programs de-

1 scribed in paragraph (1) in consultation with the  
2 Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor of  
3 the Department of State, the Department of Justice,  
4 and other local or international organizations with  
5 expertise in threats to journalists in the relevant  
6 country.

7 (c) ANNUAL REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
9 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and not  
10 later than March 1 of each year thereafter, the As-  
11 sistant Secretary of State for International Nar-  
12 cotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, in consultation  
13 with the Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy,  
14 Human Rights, and Labor, shall submit to Congress  
15 a report outlining the efforts and level of success of  
16 such Assistant Secretaries in combating impunity for  
17 attacks against journalists, with special emphasis on  
18 the countries identified in the list required by sub-  
19 section (a).

20 (2) ELEMENTS.—Each report required by para-  
21 graph (1) shall include the following:

22 (A) The number of journalists in foreign  
23 countries who were killed, attacked, harassed,  
24 or intimidated during the previous calendar  
25 year.

1 (B) The number of cases of crimes against  
2 journalists in foreign countries that were pros-  
3 ecuted, the number of convictions in those  
4 cases, and the sentences for individuals con-  
5 victed, during such year.

6 (C) A description of any relevant preven-  
7 tion efforts or training conducted by the Bu-  
8 reau of International Narcotics and Law En-  
9 forcement Affairs of the Department of State  
10 for host nation officials, journalists, or other in-  
11 dividuals during such year.

12 **SEC. \_\_\_\_ 6. NONIMMIGRANT VISAS AND HUMANITARIAN**  
13 **PAROLE FOR THREATENED JOURNALISTS.**

14 (a) NONIMMIGRANT VISAS.—

15 (1) EXPANSION OF FOREIGN MEDIA NON-  
16 IMMIGRANT VISA CATEGORY.—Section 101(a)(15)(I)  
17 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.  
18 1101(a)(15)(I)) is amended—

19 (A) by inserting “(i)” before “upon a  
20 basis”;

21 (B) by striking “him;” and inserting “the  
22 alien; or”; and

23 (C) by adding at the end the following:

24 “(ii) an alien who is classified as a threat-  
25 ened journalist under section 214(s), and the

1 spouse and children of such an alien if accom-  
2 panying or following to join the alien;”.

3 (2) THREATENED JOURNALIST DEFINED.—Sec-  
4 tion 214 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8  
5 U.S.C. 1184) is amended by adding at the end the  
6 following:

7 “(s)(1) An alien shall be classified as a threatened  
8 journalist under this subsection if the Secretary of State,  
9 the Coordinator for International Press Freedom, or an  
10 appropriate Chief of Mission (after consultation with the  
11 Secretary or the Coordinator) determines that—

12 “(A) the alien is a journalist who practices (on  
13 a regular or professional basis) the collection and  
14 dissemination of information to the public through  
15 any means of mass communication;

16 “(B) the alien—

17 “(i) has been threatened, harassed, or at-  
18 tacked on account of, or in the exercise of, jour-  
19 nalistic activity; or

20 “(ii) has a well-founded fear of future per-  
21 secution on account of the alien’s journalistic  
22 activity;

23 “(C) the alien has conducted reporting con-  
24 sistent with the values and standards of professional  
25 journalism, including—

1           “(i) the collection and dissemination of in-  
2           formation, freely and in accordance with the  
3           principles of attachment to the truth, plurality  
4           of points of view, and rationality with respect to  
5           the methods of establishment of fact and fact  
6           verification;

7           “(ii) the demonstration of a commitment  
8           to free pursuit of the truth, factual accuracy,  
9           and no intention to harm;

10          “(iii) refraining from dissemination of mis-  
11          leading or incorrect information, and refraining  
12          from concealing information that should be  
13          known to the public;

14          “(iv) the regular or professional collection  
15          of information and ideas and dissemination to  
16          the public through any means of mass commu-  
17          nication;

18          “(v) the use of professional methods of es-  
19          tablishing and verifying the facts, and endeav-  
20          oring to be factually accurate;

21          “(vi) behavior and actions that are in ac-  
22          cordance with the principles of freedom of ex-  
23          pression;

1           “(vii) respect for ethical principles of the  
2 profession of journalism, in particular the du-  
3 ties attached to such principles;

4           “(viii) the treatment of information in a  
5 manner that serves the general interests and  
6 the fundamental rights of the public, and does  
7 not regard information as a commercial prod-  
8 uct;

9           “(ix) engagement in activities that fall  
10 within the framework of editorial independence;

11           “(x) the impartial presentation of facts,  
12 disregarding as much as possible his or her own  
13 interests and prejudices, and rejection of all  
14 forms of connivance or conflict of interest;

15           “(xi) respect for the plurality of sources  
16 and points of view;

17           “(xii) a refusal to engage in manipulation  
18 of information; and

19           “(xiii) the observation and reporting of  
20 events without actively participating in them;  
21 and

22           “(D) temporary measures implemented by the  
23 Secretary of State using amounts authorized to be  
24 appropriated under section \_\_\_\_\_4(e) of the Inter-  
25 national Press Freedom Act of 2022 are insufficient

1 to protect the life or safety of the alien or the spouse  
2 or child of the alien.

3 “(2) In processing nonimmigrant visa applications for  
4 aliens described in paragraph (1) and the spouse and chil-  
5 dren of such aliens who are accompanying or following to  
6 join them, the Secretary of State shall—

7 “(A) offer interview appointments to such  
8 aliens not later than 3 business days after receiving  
9 an application from such aliens; and

10 “(B) prioritize the review and processing of  
11 such applications ahead of any nonemergency non-  
12 immigrant visa applications.

13 “(3) In the case of an alien spouse admitted under  
14 section 101(a)(15)(I)(ii), who is accompanying or fol-  
15 lowing to join a principal alien admitted under such sec-  
16 tion, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall authorize  
17 the alien spouse to engage in employment in the United  
18 States and provide the spouse with an ‘employment au-  
19 thorized’ endorsement or other appropriate work permit.”.

20 (3) CHANGE OF STATUS.—Section 248(b) of  
21 the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.  
22 1258(b)) is amended by striking “(T) or (U)” and  
23 inserting “(I)(ii), (T), or (U)”.

24 (4) RULEMAKING.—The Secretary of Homeland  
25 Security shall amend part 214 of title 8, Code of



1 Federal Regulations, as appropriate, to ensure that  
2 each alien described in section 101(a)(15)(I)(ii) of  
3 the Immigration and Nationality Act, as added by  
4 paragraph (1)—

5 (A) is permitted to remain in the United  
6 States—

7 (i) while classified as a threatened  
8 journalist pursuant to section 214(s) of  
9 such Act, as added by paragraph (2); or

10 (ii) with respect to the spouse and  
11 children of a threatened journalist, while  
12 such classification remains in effect for the  
13 spouse or parent;

14 (B) receives an Employment Authorization  
15 Document;

16 (C) is not denied a nonimmigrant visa  
17 under such section 101(a)(15)(I)(ii) or the ex-  
18 tension of such visa based on the approval of a  
19 permanent labor certification, the filing of a  
20 preference petition on behalf of the alien, or the  
21 pursuit of refugee or asylee status; and

22 (D) is provided with notification of each  
23 determination under subsection (c).

24 (5) APPLICABILITY OF REGULATION.—The final  
25 rule of the Department of Homeland Security enti-

1 tled “Period of Admission and Extensions of Stay  
2 for Representatives of Foreign Information Media  
3 Seeking to Enter the United States” (85 Fed. Reg.  
4 91 (May 11, 2020)) shall not apply to a non-  
5 immigrant described in section 101(a)(15)(I)(ii).

6 (b) HUMANITARIAN PAROLE.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Homeland  
8 Security shall consider, on a case-by-case basis for  
9 urgent humanitarian reasons, and in accordance  
10 with section 212(d)(5)(B) of the Immigration and  
11 Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(d)(5)(B)), the provi-  
12 sion of humanitarian parole to aliens described in  
13 section 214(s) of such Act, as added by subsection  
14 (a)(2), who meet the criteria described in paragraph  
15 (2).

16 (2) CRITERIA.—

17 (A) LIFE OR SAFETY AT RISK.—The Sec-  
18 retary of State, the Coordinator for Inter-  
19 national Press Freedom, or an appropriate  
20 Chief of Mission (after consultation with the  
21 Secretary or the Coordinator) affirms that the  
22 life or safety of the alien is at risk if the alien  
23 remains in his or her country of origin or coun-  
24 try of last habitual residence.

1 (B) WRITTEN RECOMMENDATION.—The  
2 Secretary of State or the Chief of Mission  
3 (after consultation with the Secretary) has sub-  
4 mitted to the Secretary of Homeland Security  
5 and the Attorney General a favorable written  
6 recommendation that humanitarian parole for  
7 the alien furthers the foreign policy interests or  
8 national security interests of the United States.

9 (3) PREFERENCE FOR ADMISSION AS NON-  
10 IMMIGRANT.—

11 (A) IN GENERAL.—With respect to an  
12 alien who meets the criteria described in para-  
13 graph (2), subject to subparagraph (B), the  
14 Secretary of Homeland Security shall exercise a  
15 preference for admission as a nonimmigrant de-  
16 scribed in clause (ii) of section 101(a)(15)(I) of  
17 such Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(I)), as added  
18 by subsection (a)(1).

19 (B) IMMINENT DANGER.—In the case of  
20 imminent danger to such an alien—

21 (i)(I) the Secretary of State may sub-  
22 mit to the Secretary of Homeland Security  
23 a request to parole the alien into the  
24 United States under this subsection; and

1 (II) the Secretary of Homeland Secu-  
2 rity may parole the alien into the United  
3 States; or

4 (ii) the Secretary of State may coordi-  
5 nate directly with the Commissioner of  
6 U.S. Customs and Border Protection for  
7 the parole of the alien into the United  
8 States under this subsection.

9 (c) INDIVIDUALIZED DETERMINATION WITH RE-  
10 SPECT TO CONTINUED RISK TO LIFE OR SAFETY.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—With respect to each alien  
12 admitted to the United States as a threatened jour-  
13 nalist described in clause (ii) of section  
14 101(a)(15)(I) of the Immigration and Nationality  
15 Act, as added by subsection (a)(1), or paroled into  
16 the United States under subsection (b), not less fre-  
17 quently than once every 5 years after such admission  
18 or parole, the Coordinator for International Press  
19 Freedom shall make a determination as to whether  
20 the alien's life or safety would be at risk if the alien  
21 were to return to his or her country of origin or  
22 country of last habitual residence.

23 (2) NOTIFICATION.—Not later than 30 days  
24 after the date on which the Coordinator makes a de-

1 termination under paragraph (1), the Coordinator  
2 shall notify the alien of such determination.

3 (3) EFFECT OF DETERMINATION.—If the Coor-  
4 dinator determines that an alien’s life or safety  
5 would not be at risk if the alien were to return to  
6 his or her country of origin or country of last habit-  
7 ual residence, not later than 120 days after the date  
8 of such determination—

9 (A) the alien’s status as a nonimmigrant  
10 described in paragraph (15)(I)(ii) of section  
11 101(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act  
12 (8 U.S.C. 101(a)) shall terminate; and

13 (B) the alien shall be required—

14 (i) to depart the United States; or

15 (ii) to change or adjust his or her sta-  
16 tus under the immigration laws (as defined  
17 in such section) to a status for which the  
18 alien is eligible.

19 **SEC. \_\_\_\_\_ 7. TRAINING FOR REFUGEE OFFICERS.**

20 Section 207(f)(2) of the Immigration and Nationality  
21 Act (8 U.S.C. 1157(f)(2)) is amended—

22 (1) by striking the period at the end and insert-  
23 ing “; and”;

24 (2) by striking “include country-specific condi-  
25 tions, instruction” and inserting “include—

1 “(A) country-specific conditions;

2 “(B) instruction”; and

3 (3) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(C) instruction on the internationally rec-  
5 ognized right to freedom of the press, instruc-  
6 tion on methods of persecution of, or attacks  
7 on, journalists in foreign countries, and applica-  
8 ble distinctions between traditional and non-  
9 traditional journalists.”.

10 **SEC. \_\_\_\_\_ 8. TRAINING FOR FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS.**

11 Section 708 of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22  
12 U.S.C. 4028) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
13 lowing:

14 “(e) **FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION.**—The Secretary of  
15 State, with the assistance of other relevant officials, such  
16 as the Coordinator for International Press Freedom ap-  
17 pointed under section \_\_\_\_\_ 3(b)(2) of the International  
18 Press Freedom Act of 2022, and distinguished nongovern-  
19 mental organizations that advocate for press freedoms,  
20 shall provide to each Foreign Service officer who will work  
21 overseas in the areas of political affairs, public diplomacy,  
22 or consular affairs, or as a Deputy Chief of Mission or  
23 Chief of Mission, pre-departure instruction that includes  
24 information about the following:

1           “(1) The scope and value of freedom of expres-  
2           sion.

3           “(2) How violations of the freedom the press  
4           harm the interests of the United States.

5           “(3) The relevance of international freedom of  
6           the press to the advancement of the defense, diplo-  
7           macy, development, and public affairs efforts and in-  
8           terests of the United States.

9           “(4) With respect to the country in which the  
10          Foreign Service officer will be posted, the nature, se-  
11          verity, and origins of threats facing journalists in  
12          their reporting and United States Government and  
13          nongovernmental mechanisms available to mitigate  
14          those threats.

15          “(5) The role of nontraditional media platforms  
16          and nontraditional journalists in the press in the  
17          country in which the Foreign Service officer will be  
18          posted.”.

19 **SEC. \_\_\_\_\_ 9. REPORTS.**

20          (a) DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY ANNUAL  
21          REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than March 1 of each  
22          year, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall submit a  
23          report to the appropriate committees of Congress that  
24          identifies, with respect to the preceding fiscal year—

1           (1) the number of threatened journalist aliens  
2           who were issued a nonimmigrant visa under clause  
3           (ii) of section 101(a)(15)(I) of the Immigration and  
4           Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(I)), as added  
5           by section \_\_\_\_\_6(a), disaggregated by country of  
6           nationality;

7           (2) the number of family members of aliens de-  
8           scribed in paragraph (1) who were issued a non-  
9           immigrant visa under such clause (ii), disaggregated  
10          by country of nationality;

11          (3) the number of alien journalists who were  
12          granted humanitarian parole pursuant to section  
13          \_\_\_\_\_6(b) due to their work as journalists,  
14          disaggregated by country of nationality;

15          (4) the number of family members of aliens de-  
16          scribed in paragraph (3) who were granted humani-  
17          tarian parole pursuant to section \_\_\_\_\_6(b),  
18          disaggregated by country of nationality; and

19          (5) such other information as the Secretary  
20          considers relevant.

21          (b) GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE REPORT  
22 TO CONGRESS.—

23           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 2 years after  
24           the date of the enactment of this Act, and every 3  
25           years thereafter on March 1, the Comptroller Gen-



1           eral of the United States shall submit to the appro-  
2           priate committees of Congress a report analyzing the  
3           barriers that prevent foreign journalists from obtain-  
4           ing visas for admission into the United States.

5           (2) ELEMENTS.—The report required by para-  
6           graph (1) shall assess the following:

7                   (A) The success of programs relating to in-  
8                   country support for foreign journalists, tem-  
9                   porary resettlement of such journalists in third  
10                  countries, admission of such journalists under  
11                  clause (ii) of section 101(a)(15)(I) of the Immi-  
12                  gration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.  
13                  1101(a)(15)(I)), as added by section  
14                  \_\_\_\_\_6(a), and humanitarian parole for such  
15                  journalists under section \_\_\_\_\_6(b).

16                  (B) The processing speeds and delays in  
17                  the program providing nonimmigrant visas to  
18                  journalists under clause (ii) of section  
19                  101(a)(15)(I) of the Immigration and Nation-  
20                  ality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(I)), as added  
21                  by section \_\_\_\_\_6(a).

22           (3) CONSULTATION.—In preparing the report  
23           required by paragraph (1), the Comptroller General  
24           shall consult with—

25                   (A) the Attorney General;

- 1 (B) the Secretary of Homeland Security;
- 2 (C) the Secretary of State; and
- 3 (D) nongovernmental organizations that
- 4 advocate for the safety of journalists, as deter-
- 5 mined by the Comptroller General.

6 (4) DEFINITION OF APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES  
7 OF CONGRESS.—In this subsection, the term “appro-  
8 priate committees of Congress” means—

9 (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations,  
10 the Committee on Homeland Security and Gov-  
11 ernmental Affairs, the Committee on the Judi-  
12 ciary, and the Human Rights Caucus of the  
13 Senate; and

14 (B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the  
15 Committee on Homeland Security, the Com-  
16 mittee on the Judiciary, and the Tom Lantos  
17 Human Rights Commission of the House of  
18 Representatives.

