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At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 17 ____ . UYGHUR POLICY ACT.**

2 (a) UNITED STATES STRENGTHENING OF COORDINA-
3 TION ON UYGHUR ISSUES.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State, as
5 appropriate, shall—

6 (A) prioritize policies, programs, and
7 projects to support the Uyghurs and members
8 of other ethnic and religious minority groups in
9 the XUAR;

10 (B) vigorously promote the policy of seek-
11 ing to protect the distinct ethnic, religious, cul-
12 tural, and linguistic identity of the Uyghurs
13 and other minority groups and seek improved
14 protection of human rights in the XUAR;

15 (C) direct the State Department to main-
16 tain close contact with Uyghur religious, cul-
17 tural, and political leaders, including seeking
18 regular travel to the XUAR and to Uyghur pop-

1 ulations in Central Asia, Turkey, Albania, Ger-
2 many, and other parts of Europe;

3 (D) lead coordination efforts for the re-
4 lease of political prisoners in the XUAR who
5 are being detained for exercising their human
6 rights or being relatives of exiled Uyghurs;

7 (E) consult with the United States Con-
8 gress on policies relevant to the XUAR and the
9 Uyghurs;

10 (F) coordinate with relevant Federal agen-
11 cies to administer aid to Uyghur rights advo-
12 cates;

13 (G) make efforts to establish contacts with
14 foreign ministries of other countries, especially
15 in Europe, Central Asia, and members of the
16 Organisation of Islamic Cooperation, to pursue
17 a policy of promoting greater respect for human
18 rights and religious freedom for Uyghurs and
19 other ethnic and religious minority groups from
20 the XUAR;

21 (H) utilize the Organisation of Islamic Co-
22 operation and United States Strategic Dialogue
23 to address Uyghur rights, working with the
24 Organisation of Islamic Cooperation individual
25 member states to develop and implement joint

1 initiatives and programs aimed at promoting
2 awareness of Uyghur rights, and support
3 Uyghur victims of detainment, harassment, and
4 transnational repression;

5 (I) support independent media authorized
6 under Public Law 111–202 (22 U.S.C. 6208) of
7 the 111th Congress that conduct reporting and
8 investigative journalism focused on the XUAR,
9 including in local languages, to ensure that fur-
10 ther PRC human rights abuses are reported on;

11 (J) work with international partners to
12 raise awareness concerning acts of
13 transnational repression against Uyghur Ameri-
14 cans or Uyghurs exiled in the United States;

15 (K) develop and implement strategies to
16 prevent and respond to the transnational re-
17 pression of Uyghur Americans and Uyghurs ex-
18 iled in the United States;

19 (L) establish a reporting mechanism for
20 individuals to report incidents of transnational
21 repression; and

22 (M) submit an annual report, including a
23 classified annex if necessary, to Congress on ac-
24 tions taken by the United States to address and
25 prevent transnational repression against

1 Uyghurs in the United States, and rec-
2 ommendations for further legislative or policy
3 measures.

4 (2) SUPPORT.—The Secretary of State shall en-
5 sure the Department of State has adequate re-
6 sources, staff, and administrative support to carry
7 out this subsection.

8 (3) TERMINATION.—This subsection shall ter-
9 minate on the date that is 5 years after the date of
10 the enactment of this Act.

11 (b) FUNDING FOR HUMAN RIGHTS ADVOCATES TO
12 CONDUCT PUBLIC DIPLOMACY IN THE ISLAMIC WORLD
13 ON THE UYGHUR SITUATION.—Of the amounts author-
14 ized to be appropriated for the United States Speaker Pro-
15 gram of the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs
16 of the Department of State, \$250,000 for each of fiscal
17 years 2025, 2026, and 2027 is authorized to be made
18 available to support human rights advocates working on
19 behalf of the Uyghurs and members of other ethnic and
20 religious minority groups from the XUAR that are per-
21 secuted in the PRC, whose names may be provided by the
22 Department of State in consultation with representatives
23 of the global Uyghur community, to speak at global public
24 diplomacy forums, particularly those in which
25 Organisation of Islamic Cooperation countries and other

1 Muslim-majority countries are present, on issues regard-
2 ing the human rights and religious freedom of Uyghurs
3 and members of other ethnic and religious minority groups
4 persecuted in the PRC.

5 (c) NO ADDITIONAL FUNDS AUTHORIZED.—No addi-
6 tional funds are authorized to carry out the requirements
7 of this section. Such requirements shall be carried out
8 using amounts otherwise authorized.

9 (d) ACCESS TO DETENTION FACILITIES AND PRIS-
10 ONS AND THE RELEASE OF PRISONERS.—

11 (1) STRATEGY ON POLITICAL REEDUCATION
12 AND DETENTION FACILITIES.—Not later than 180
13 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the
14 Secretary of State, in consultation with the heads of
15 other relevant Federal departments and agencies,
16 develop a strategy to cooperate with like-minded
17 partners to pressure the People’s Republic of China
18 to—

19 (A) close all detention facilities and “polit-
20 ical reeducation” camps housing Uyghurs and
21 members of other ethnic minority groups in the
22 XUAR;

23 (B) allow unhindered access to detention
24 facilities and “political reeducation” camps in
25 the XUAR by independent media, researchers,

1 international organizations and the Office of
2 the United Nations High Commissioner for
3 Human Rights for a comprehensive assessment
4 of the human rights situation; and

5 (C) protect human rights and preserve the
6 distinct religious and cultural identity of the
7 Uyghurs and the other religious and ethnic mi-
8 nority communities in the XUAR.

9 (2) REPORT ON STRATEGY AND IMPLEMENTA-
10 TION.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the
11 enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall
12 submit to the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the
13 House of Representatives and the Committee on
14 Foreign Relations of the Senate a report, including
15 a classified annex if necessary, that includes—

16 (A) the strategy developed pursuant to
17 paragraph (1); and

18 (B) all the steps taken to implement such
19 strategy pursuant to the objectives described in
20 paragraph (1).

21 (e) REQUIREMENT FOR UYGHUR LANGUAGE TRAIN-
22 ING.—

23 (1) UYGHUR LANGUAGE TRAINING AND STAFF-
24 ING.—The Secretary of State shall take such steps
25 as may be necessary to ensure that—

1 (A) Uyghur language training is available
2 to Foreign Service officers as appropriate; and

3 (B) every effort is made to ensure that at
4 least 1 Uyghur-speaking member of the Foreign
5 Service (as such term is defined by section 103
6 of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C.
7 3903)) is assigned to each United States diplo-
8 matic or consular post in China.

9 (2) REPORT.—No later than 1 year after the
10 date of the enactment of this Act, and annually
11 thereafter for 2 years, the Foreign Service Institute
12 shall submit to the Committee on Foreign Affairs of
13 the House of Representatives and the Committee on
14 Foreign Relations of the Senate a report that out-
15 lines all the steps taken to implement paragraph (1).

16 (f) UYGHUR CONSIDERATIONS AT THE UNITED NA-
17 TIONS.—The President should direct the United States
18 Permanent Representative to the United Nations to use
19 the voice, vote, and influence of the United States to—

20 (1) oppose any efforts to prevent consideration
21 of the gross violation of internationally recognized
22 human rights in the XUAR in any body of the
23 United Nations;

24 (2) oppose any efforts to prevent the participa-
25 tion of any Uyghur human rights advocates in non-

1 governmental fora hosted by or otherwise organized
2 under the auspices of any body of the United Na-
3 tions; and

4 (3) support the appointment of a special
5 rapporteur or working group for the XUAR for the
6 purposes of monitoring human rights violations and
7 abuses in the XUAR, and for making reports avail-
8 able to the High Commissioner for Refugees, the
9 High Commissioner for Human Rights, the Human
10 Rights Commission, the General Assembly, and
11 other United Nations bodies.

