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At the end of subtitle B of title XIII, add the following:

1 **SEC. 13 __ . SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING THE BOYCOTT**
2 **OF CERTAIN COMPANIES THAT CONTINUE TO**
3 **OPERATE IN RUSSIA AND PROVIDE FINAN-**
4 **CIAL BENEFITS TO THE PUTIN REGIME.**

5 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

6 (1) On February 24, 2022, the Government of
7 Russia, led by Vladimir Putin, invaded the sovereign
8 country of Ukraine under the direction of the Presi-
9 dent of the Russian Federation Vladimir Putin.

10 (2) On March 6, 2022, Secretary of State
11 Antony Blinken stated that the United States has
12 seen credible reports of Russia engaging in “delib-
13 erate attacks on civilians, which would constitute a
14 war crime”.

15 (3) On March 16, 2022, Ukrainian President
16 Zelenskyy urged “All American companies must
17 leave Russia . . . leave their market immediately,
18 because it is flooded with [Ukrainian] blood”.

1 (4) In the same speech, President Zelenskyy
2 called on Congress to lead by pressuring companies
3 “who finance the Russian military machine” and
4 conduct “business in Russia” and to “make sure
5 that the Russians do not receive a single penny that
6 they use to destroy people in Ukraine”.

7 (5) Jeffrey Sonnenfeld of the Yale School of
8 Management has compiled a list of some 1,000 com-
9 panies which have withdrawn permanently or tempo-
10 rarily from Russia.

11 (6) By refusing to reduce, cease, or withdraw
12 operations in Russia, these companies which have
13 not withdrawn permanently or temporarily from
14 Russia contribute to undermining the sanctions im-
15 posed by the United States and its allies that are in-
16 tended to deter further Russian aggression.

17 (7) A number of United States and multi-
18 national companies that do business in Russia do
19 not provide life-saving or health-related goods and
20 services to the Russian people and contribute to
21 Putin’s ability to wage war in Ukraine and continue
22 to commit war crimes by providing revenue for the
23 Russian Government.

24 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—Congress—

1 (1) supports and encourages Americans who
2 choose to exercise their free speech rights by boy-
3 cotting companies that do not provide life-saving or
4 health-related goods and services to the Russian peo-
5 ple yet continue to operate in Russia;

6 (2) condemns companies that continue to oper-
7 ate in Russia and provide financial benefits to the
8 Putin regime that enable his ability to continue wag-
9 ing war in Ukraine; and

10 (3) commends companies that have already sus-
11 pended operations in or withdrawn from markets in
12 Russia in response to the Putin regime's unlawful
13 invasion of Ukraine.

