AMENDMENT TO
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Add at the end of subtitle C of title XIII the following new section:

SEC. 111. SUSPENSION AND RESTRICTIONS OF SECURITY ASSISTANCE EXTENDED TO THE REPUBLIC OF HONDURAS UNLESS CERTAIN CONDITIONS ARE MET.

(a) SUSPENSION OF SECURITY ASSISTANCE.—No assistance may be made available for the police or military of the Republic of Honduras, including assistance for equipment and training.

(b) LOANS FROM MULTILATERAL DEVELOPMENT BANKS AND THE UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CORPORATION.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall—

(1) instruct United States representatives at multilateral development banks to use their voice and vote to oppose any loans for the police or military of the Republic of Honduras; and

(2) instruct the United States Executive Director of each international financial institution and the
Chief Executive Officer of the United States International Development Finance Corporation to promote human rights due diligence and risk management in connection with any loan, grant, policy, or strategy related to the Republic of Honduras, in accordance with the criteria specified in subsection 7029(d) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2020 (division G of Public Law 116–94; 133 Stat. 2863) and accompanying report.

(c) Conditions for Lifting Suspensions and Restrictions.—The provisions of this section shall terminate on the date on which the Secretary of State determines and reports to the Committees on Foreign Relations and Appropriations of the Senate and the Committees on Foreign Affairs and Appropriations of the House of Representatives that the Government of Honduras has—

(1) pursued all legal avenues to bring to trial and obtain a verdict of all those who ordered, carried out, and covered up—

(A) the March 2, 2016, murder of Berta Cáceres;

(B) the killings of over 100 small-farmer activists in the Agua´n Valley;
(C) the killings of 22 people and forced disappearance of 1 person by state security forces in the context of the 2017 post-electoral crisis;

(D) the killings of at least 6 people by state security forces in the context of anti-government demonstrations between March and July of 2019;

(E) the killings of at least 21 journalists and media workers between October 2016 and July 2020;

(F) the July 18, 2020, forced disappearances of 4 Garifuna community leaders from Triunfo de la Cruz; and

(G) the December 26, 2020, killing of indigenous Lenca leader and environmental activist Félix Vásquez at his home in La Paz, and the December 29, 2020, killing of indigenous Tolupan leader and environmental activist Adán Mejía in Yoro;

(2) investigated and successfully prosecuted members of military and police forces who are credibly found to have violated human rights and ensured that the military and police cooperated in such cases, and that such violations have ceased;
(3) withdrawn the military from domestic policing and ensured that all domestic police functions are separated from the command and control of the Armed Forces of Honduras and are instead directly responsible to civilian authority;

(4) established that it protects effectively the rights of trade unionists, journalists, small farmers, human rights and environmental defenders, indigenous and Afro-indigenous community members and rights activists, women’s and LGBTQI rights activists, critics of the government, and other members of civil society to operate without interference or repression; and

(5) taken effective steps to establish the rule of law and to guarantee a judicial system that is capable of investigating, prosecuting, and bringing to justice members of the police and military who have committed human rights abuses.