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At the end of title XVII, add the following:

**1   Subtitle \_\_\_\_\_—Mobilizing and En-**  
**2       hancing Georgia’s Options for**  
**3       Building Accountability, Resil-**  
**4       ience, and Independence**

**5   SEC. 17\_\_1. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

**6       It is the sense of Congress that—**

**7           (1) the progress made by the people of Georgia**  
**8       in forging an innovative and productive society since**  
**9       the country’s independence from the Soviet Union**  
**10      should be applauded;**

**11          (2) the consolidation of democracy in Georgia is**  
**12      critical for regional stability and United States na-**  
**13      tional interests;**

**14          (3) Georgia has seen significant democratic**  
**15      backsliding in recent years, as evidenced by numer-**  
**16      ous independent assessments and measures;**

**17          (4) the current Georgian government is increas-**  
**18      ingly hostile towards independent domestic civil soci-**  
**19      ety and its chief Euro-Atlantic partners while in-**  
**20      creasingly embracing enhanced ties with the Russian**

1 Federation, the People's Republic of China, and  
2 other anti-Western authoritarian regimes;

3 (5) the United States has an interest in pro-  
4 tecting and securing democracy in Georgia; and

5 (6) the Secretary should suspend the United  
6 States-Georgia Strategic Partnership Commission,  
7 established through the United States-Georgia Char-  
8 ter on Strategic Partnership on January 9, 2009,  
9 until after the Government of Georgia takes meas-  
10 ures—

11 (A) to represent the democratic wishes of  
12 the citizens of Georgia; and

13 (B) to uphold its constitutional obligation  
14 to advance the country towards membership in  
15 the European Union and NATO.

16 **SEC. 17\_\_2. STATEMENT OF POLICY.**

17 It is the policy of the United States—

18 (1) to support the constitutionally stated aspi-  
19 rations of Georgia to become a member of the Euro-  
20 pean Union and NATO, which is made clear under  
21 Article 78 of the Constitution of Georgia and is sup-  
22 ported by the overwhelming majority of the citizens  
23 of Georgia;

24 (2) to continue supporting the capacity of the  
25 Government of Georgia to protect its sovereignty

1 and territorial integrity from further Russian ag-  
2 gression or encroachment within its internationally  
3 recognized borders;

4 (3) to call on all political parties and elected  
5 Members of the Parliament of Georgia to continue  
6 working on addressing the reform plan outlined by  
7 the European Commission to resume Georgia's re-  
8 cently granted candidate status through an inclusive  
9 and transparent consultation process that involves  
10 opposition parties and civil society organizations,  
11 which the people of Georgia have freely elected to  
12 pursue;

13 (4) to reevaluate its relationship with the Gov-  
14 ernment of Georgia and review all forms of foreign  
15 and security assistance made available to the Gov-  
16 ernment if it takes the required steps—

17 (A) to reorient itself toward its European  
18 Union accession agenda; and

19 (B) to advance policy or legislation reflect-  
20 ing the express wishes of the Georgian people;

21 (5) to emphasize the importance of contributing  
22 to international efforts—

23 (A) to combat Russian aggression, includ-  
24 ing through sanctions on trade with Russia and

1 the implementation and enforcement of world-  
2 wide sanctions on Russia; and

3 (B) to reduce, rather than increase, trade  
4 ties between Georgia and Russia;

5 (6) to continue supporting the ongoing develop-  
6 ment of democratic values in Georgia, including free  
7 and fair elections, freedom of association, an inde-  
8 pendent and accountable judiciary, an independent  
9 media, public-sector transparency and accountability,  
10 the rule of law, countering malign influence, and  
11 anti-corruption efforts and to impose swift con-  
12 sequences on individuals who are directly responsible  
13 for leading or have directly and knowingly engaged  
14 in leading actions of policies that significantly un-  
15 dermine those standards;

16 (7) to continue to support the Georgian people  
17 and civil society organizations that reflect the aspi-  
18 rations of the Georgian people for democracy and a  
19 future with the people of Europe;

20 (8) to continue supporting the right of the  
21 Georgian people to freely engage in peaceful protest,  
22 determine their future, and make independent and  
23 sovereign choices on foreign and security policy, in-  
24 cluding regarding Georgia's relationship with other  
25 countries and international organizations, without

1 interference, intimidation, or coercion by other coun-  
2 tries or those acting on their behalf;

3 (9) to call on all political parties, elected Mem-  
4 bers of the Parliament of Georgia, and officers of  
5 the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia to respect  
6 the freedoms of peaceful assembly, association, and  
7 expression, including for the press, and the rule of  
8 law, and encourage a vibrant and inclusive civil soci-  
9 ety;

10 (10) to call on the Government of Georgia to  
11 release all persons detained or imprisoned on politi-  
12 cally motivated grounds and drop any pending  
13 charges against them;

14 (11) to call on the Government of Georgia to  
15 thoroughly investigate all allegations emerging from  
16 the recent national elections, which took place on  
17 October 2024, make a determination whether the  
18 elections should be judged as illegitimate and hold  
19 those responsible for interference in the elections;  
20 and

21 (12) to continue impressing upon the Govern-  
22 ment of Georgia that the United States is committed  
23 to sustaining and deepening bilateral relations and  
24 supporting Georgia's Euro-Atlantic aspirations.

1 **SEC. 17\_\_3. REPORTS AND BRIEFINGS.**

2 (a) REPORT ON RUSSIAN INTELLIGENCE ASSETS IN  
3 GEORGIA.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days  
5 after the date of the enactment of this subtitle, the  
6 Secretary of State, in coordination with the Director  
7 of National Intelligence and the Secretary of De-  
8 fense, shall submit to the appropriate committees of  
9 Congress a classified report, prepared consistent  
10 with the protection of sources and methods, exam-  
11 ining the penetration of Russian intelligence ele-  
12 ments and their assets in Georgia, that includes an  
13 annex examining Chinese influence and the potential  
14 intersection of Russian-Chinese cooperation in Geor-  
15 gia.

16 (2) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-  
17 GRESS.—In this section, the term “appropriate com-  
18 mittees of Congress” means—

19 (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations of  
20 the Senate, the Select Committee on Intel-  
21 ligence of the Senate, and the Committee on  
22 Armed Services of the Senate; and

23 (B) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of  
24 the House of Representatives, the Permanent  
25 Select Committee on Intelligence of the House  
26 of Representatives, and the Committee on

1           Armed Services of the House of Representa-  
2           tives.

3           (b) 5-YEAR UNITED STATES STRATEGY FOR BILAT-  
4   ERAL RELATIONS WITH GEORGIA.—

5           (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after  
6           the date of the enactment of this subtitle, the Sec-  
7           retary and the Administrator of the United States  
8           Agency for International Development, in coordina-  
9           tion with the heads of other relevant Federal depart-  
10          ments and agencies, shall submit to the appropriate  
11          congressional committees a detailed strategy that—

12                   (A) outlines specific objectives for enhanc-  
13                   ing bilateral ties which reflect the current do-  
14                   mestic political environment in Georgia;

15                   (B) includes a determination of the tools,  
16                   resources, and funding that should be available  
17                   to achieve the objectives outlined pursuant to  
18                   paragraph (1) and an assessment whether  
19                   Georgia should remain the second-highest re-  
20                   cipient of United States funding in the Europe  
21                   and Eurasia region;

22                   (C) includes a determination of the extent  
23                   to which the United States should continue to  
24                   invest in its partnership with Georgia;

1 (D) includes a plan for how the United  
2 States can continue to support civil society and  
3 independent media organizations in Georgia;  
4 and

5 (E) includes a determination whether the  
6 Government of Georgia remains committed to  
7 expanding trade ties with the United States and  
8 Europe and whether the United States Govern-  
9 ment should continue to invest in Georgian  
10 projects.

11 (2) FORM.—The report required by paragraph  
12 (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, with a  
13 classified annex.

14 **SEC. 17\_4. SANCTIONS.**

15 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

16 (1) The terms “admission”, “admitted”, and  
17 “alien” have the meanings given such terms in sec-  
18 tion 101 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8  
19 U.S.C. 1101).

20 (2) The term “appropriate committees of Con-  
21 gress” means—

22 (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations of  
23 the Senate;

24 (B) the Committee on Banking, Housing,  
25 and Urban Affairs of the Senate;



1 (C) the Committee on the Judiciary of the  
2 Senate;

3 (D) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of  
4 the House of Representatives;

5 (E) the Committee on the Judiciary of the  
6 House of Representatives; and

7 (F) the Committee on Financial Services  
8 of the House of Representatives.

9 (3) The term “foreign person” means any indi-  
10 vidual or entity that is not a United States person.

11 (4) The term “immediate family members” has  
12 the meaning given the term “immediate relatives” in  
13 section 201(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Immigration and Na-  
14 tionality Act (8 U.S.C. 1201(b)(2)(A)(i)).

15 (5) The term “knowingly”, with respect to con-  
16 duct, a circumstance, or a result, means that a per-  
17 son has actual knowledge, or should have known, of  
18 the conduct, the circumstance, or the result.

19 (6) The term “United States person” means—

20 (A) a United States citizen or an alien law-  
21 fully admitted for permanent residence to the  
22 United States;

23 (B) an entity organized under the laws of  
24 the United States or any jurisdiction within the

1 United States, including a foreign branch of  
2 such an entity; or

3 (C) any person within the United States.

4 (b) INADMISSIBILITY OF OFFICIALS OF GOVERN-  
5 MENT OF GEORGIA AND CERTAIN OTHER INDIVIDUALS  
6 INVOLVED IN BLOCKING EURO-ATLANTIC INTEGRA-  
7 TION.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after  
9 the date of the enactment of this subtitle, the Presi-  
10 dent shall determine whether each of the following  
11 foreign persons has knowingly engaged in significant  
12 acts of corruption, or acts of violence or intimidation  
13 in relation to the blocking of Euro-Atlantic integra-  
14 tion in Georgia:

15 (A) Any individual who, on or after Janu-  
16 ary 1, 2014, has served as a member of the  
17 Parliament of the Government of Georgia or as  
18 a current or former senior official of a Georgian  
19 political party.

20 (B) Any individual who is serving as an of-  
21 ficial in a leadership position working on behalf  
22 of the Government of Georgia, including law en-  
23 forcement, intelligence, judicial, or local or mu-  
24 nicipal government.

1 (C) An immediate family member of an of-  
2 ficial described in subparagraph (A) or a person  
3 described in subparagraph (B) who benefitted  
4 from the conduct of such official or person.

5 (2) SANCTIONS.—The President shall impose  
6 the sanctions described in subsection (d)(2) with re-  
7 spect to each foreign person with respect to which  
8 the President has made an affirmative decision  
9 under paragraph (1).

10 (3) BRIEFING.—Not later than 90 days after  
11 the date of the enactment of this subtitle, the Sec-  
12 retary shall brief the appropriate committees of Con-  
13 gress with respect to—

14 (A) any foreign person with respect to  
15 which the President has made an affirmative  
16 determination under paragraph (1); and

17 (B) the specific facts that justify each such  
18 affirmative determination.

19 (4) WAIVER.—The President may waive imposi-  
20 tion of sanctions under this subsection on a case-by-  
21 case basis if the President determines and reports to  
22 the appropriate committees of Congress that—

23 (A) such waiver would serve national secu-  
24 rity interests; or

1 (B) the circumstances which caused the in-  
2 dividual to be ineligible have sufficiently  
3 changed.

4 (c) IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS WITH RESPECT TO  
5 UNDERMINING PEACE, SECURITY, STABILITY, SOV-  
6 EREIGNTY OR TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF GEORGIA.—

7 (1) IN GENERAL.—The President may impose  
8 the sanctions described in subsection (d)(1) and  
9 shall impose the sanctions described in subsection  
10 (d)(2) with respect to each foreign person the Presi-  
11 dent determines, on or after the date of the enact-  
12 ment of this subtitle—

13 (A) is responsible for, complicit in, or has  
14 directly or indirectly engaged in or attempted to  
15 engage in, actions or policies, including order-  
16 ing, controlling, or otherwise directing acts that  
17 are intended to undermine the peace, security,  
18 stability, sovereignty, or territorial integrity of  
19 Georgia;

20 (B) is or has been a leader or official of an  
21 entity that has, or whose members have, en-  
22 gaged in any activity described in subparagraph  
23 (A); or

24 (C) is an immediate family member of a  
25 person subject to sanctions for conduct de-

1           scribed in subparagraph (A) or (B) and bene-  
2           fitted from the conduct of such person.

3           (2) BRIEF AND WRITTEN NOTIFICATION.—Not  
4           later than 10 days after imposing sanctions on a for-  
5           eign person or persons pursuant to this subsection,  
6           the President shall brief and provide written notifi-  
7           cation to the appropriate committees of Congress re-  
8           garding the imposition of such sanctions, which shall  
9           describe—

10                   (A) the foreign person or persons subject  
11                   to the imposition of such sanctions;

12                   (B) the activity justifying the imposition of  
13                   such sanctions; and

14                   (C) the specific sanctions imposed on such  
15                   foreign person or persons.

16           (3) WAIVER.—The President may waive the ap-  
17           plication of sanctions under this subsection with re-  
18           spect to a foreign person for renewable periods not  
19           to exceed 180 days if, not later than 15 days before  
20           the date on which such waiver is to take effect, the  
21           President submits to the appropriate committees of  
22           Congress a written determination and justification  
23           that the waiver is in the national security interests  
24           of the United States.

1 (d) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—The sanctions de-  
2 scribed in this subsection are the following with respect  
3 to a foreign person described in subsection (b) or (c), as  
4 applicable:

5 (1) BLOCKING OF PROPERTY.—Notwith-  
6 standing the requirements under section 202 of the  
7 International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50  
8 U.S.C. 1701), the President shall exercise all au-  
9 thorities granted under the International Emergency  
10 Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) to  
11 the extent necessary to block and prohibit all trans-  
12 actions in property and interests in property of the  
13 foreign person if such property and interests in  
14 property are in the United States, come within the  
15 United States, or are or come within the possession  
16 or control of a United States person.

17 (2) INELIGIBILITY FOR VISAS, ADMISSION, OR  
18 PAROLE.—

19 (A) VISAS, ADMISSION, OR PAROLE.—A  
20 foreign person that is an alien shall be—

21 (i) inadmissible to the United States;  
22 (ii) ineligible to receive a visa or other  
23 documentation to enter the United States;  
24 and

1 (iii) otherwise ineligible to be admitted  
2 or paroled into the United States or to re-  
3 ceive any other benefit under the Immigra-  
4 tion and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101 et  
5 seq.).

6 (B) CURRENT VISAS REVOKED.—The for-  
7 eign person shall be subject to the following:

8 (i) Revocation of any visa or other  
9 entry documentation regardless of when  
10 the visa or other entry documentation is or  
11 was issued.

12 (ii) A revocation under clause (i) shall  
13 take effect immediately and automatically  
14 cancel any other valid visa or entry docu-  
15 mentation that is in the foreign person's  
16 possession.

17 (e) IMPLEMENTATION; PENALTIES.—

18 (1) IMPLEMENTATION.—The President may ex-  
19 ercise all authorities provided under sections 203  
20 and 205 of the International Emergency Economic  
21 Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1702 and 1704) to carry out  
22 this section.

23 (2) PENALTIES.—A person that violates, at-  
24 tempts to violate, conspires to violate, or causes a  
25 violation of subsection (d)(2)(A) or any regulation,

1 license, or order issued under that subsection shall  
2 be subject to the penalties set forth in subsections  
3 (b) and (c) of section 206 of the International Eco-  
4 nomic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1705) to the same ex-  
5 tent as a person that commits an unlawful act de-  
6 scribed in subsection (a) of that section.

7 (3) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this  
8 subtitle, or any amendment made by this subtitle,  
9 may be construed to limit the authority of the Presi-  
10 dent to designate or sanction persons pursuant to an  
11 applicable Executive order or otherwise pursuant to  
12 the International Emergency Economic Powers Act  
13 (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.).

14 (f) RULEMAKING.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days  
16 after the date of the enactment of this subtitle, the  
17 President shall prescribe such regulations as are  
18 necessary for the implementation of this section.

19 (2) NOTIFICATION TO CONGRESS.—Not later  
20 than 10 days before prescribing regulations pursu-  
21 ant to paragraph (1), the President shall notify the  
22 appropriate committees of Congress of the proposed  
23 regulations and the provisions of this section that  
24 the regulations are implementing.



1 (g) SANCTIONS WITH RESPECT TO BROADER COR-  
2 RUPTION IN GEORGIA.—

3 (1) DETERMINATION.—The President shall de-  
4 termine whether there are foreign persons who, on  
5 or after the date of the enactment of this subtitle,  
6 have engaged in significant corruption in Georgia or  
7 acts that are intended to undermine the peace, secu-  
8 rity, stability, sovereignty, or territorial integrity of  
9 Georgia for the purposes of potential imposition of  
10 sanctions pursuant to powers granted to the Presi-  
11 dent under the International Emergency Economic  
12 Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.).

13 (2) REPORT.—

14 (A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180  
15 days after the date of the enactment of this  
16 subtitle, the President shall submit a report to  
17 the appropriate committees of Congress that—

18 (i) identifies all foreign persons the  
19 President has determined, pursuant to this  
20 subsection, have engaged in significant cor-  
21 ruption in Georgia or committed acts that  
22 are intended to undermine the peace, secu-  
23 rity, stability, sovereignty, or territorial in-  
24 tegrity of Georgia;

1 (ii) the dates on which sanctions were  
2 imposed; and

3 (iii) the reasons for imposing such  
4 sanctions.

5 (B) FORM.—The report required under  
6 subparagraph (A) shall be provided in unclassi-  
7 fied form, but may include a classified annex.

8 (h) TERMINATION OF SANCTIONS.—Any sanctions  
9 imposed on a foreign person pursuant to this section shall  
10 terminate on the earlier of—

11 (1) the date on which the President certifies to  
12 the appropriate committees of Congress that the for-  
13 eign person is no longer engaging in the activities  
14 that led to the imposition of such sanction; or

15 (2) the sunset date described in section 7.

16 (i) EXCEPTIONS.—

17 (1) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

18 (A) The term “agricultural commodity”  
19 has the meaning given such term in section 102  
20 of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 (7  
21 U.S.C. 5602).

22 (B) The term “good” means any article,  
23 natural or man-made substance, material, sup-  
24 ply, or manufactured product, including inspec-

1           tion and test equipment and excluding technical  
2           data.

3           (C) The term “medical device” has the  
4           meaning given the term “device” in section 201  
5           of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act  
6           (21 U.S.C. 321).

7           (D) The term “medicine” has the meaning  
8           given the term “drug” in section 201 of the  
9           Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21  
10          U.S.C. 321).

11         (2) EXCEPTIONS.—

12           (A) EXCEPTION RELATING TO INTEL-  
13           LIGENCE ACTIVITIES.—Sanctions under this  
14           section shall not apply to—

15                 (i) any activity subject to the report-  
16                 ing requirements under title V of the Na-  
17                 tional Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C.  
18                 3091 et seq.); or

19                 (ii) any authorized intelligence activi-  
20                 ties of the United States.

21           (B) EXCEPTION TO COMPLY WITH INTER-  
22           NATIONAL OBLIGATIONS.—Sanctions under this  
23           section shall not apply with respect to a foreign  
24           person if admitting or paroling the person into  
25           the United States is necessary to permit the

1 United States to comply with the Agreement re-  
2 garding the Headquarters of the United Na-  
3 tions, signed at Lake Success June 26, 1947,  
4 and entered into force November 21, 1947, be-  
5 tween the United Nations and the United  
6 States, or other applicable international obliga-  
7 tions.

8 (C) HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE.—Sanc-  
9 tions under this section shall not apply to—

10 (i) the conduct or facilitation of a  
11 transaction for the provision of agricultural  
12 commodities, food, medicine, medical de-  
13 vices, or humanitarian assistance, or for  
14 humanitarian purposes; or

15 (ii) transactions that are necessary  
16 for, or related to, the activities described in  
17 paragraph (1).

18 (j) EXCEPTION RELATING TO IMPORTATION OF  
19 GOODS.—The requirement to block and prohibit all trans-  
20 actions in all property and interests in property under this  
21 section shall not include the authority or a requirement  
22 to impose sanctions on the importation of goods.

1 **SEC. 17\_5. ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE WITH RESPECT TO**  
2 **GEORGIA.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Upon submission to Congress of  
4 the certification described in subsection (c)—

5 (1) the Secretary of State, in consultation with  
6 other heads of other relevant Federal departments  
7 and agencies, should seek to further enhance people-  
8 to-people contacts and academic exchanges between  
9 the United States and Georgia; and

10 (2) the President, in consultation with the Sec-  
11 retary of Defense, should maintain, and as appro-  
12 priate, expand military co-operation with Georgia,  
13 including by providing further security and defense  
14 equipment ideally suited for territorial defense  
15 against Russian aggression and related training,  
16 maintenance, and operations support elements.

17 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
18 gress that, after the submission of the certification de-  
19 scribed in subsection (c) should the Georgian government  
20 take steps to re-align itself with its Euro-Atlantic agenda,  
21 including significant changes to the foreign influence law,  
22 the President should take steps to improve the bilateral  
23 relationship between the United States and Georgia, in-  
24 cluding actions to bolster Georgia's ability to deter threats  
25 from Russia and other malign actors.

1       (c) CERTIFICATION DESCRIBED.—The certification  
2 described in this subsection is a certification submitted to  
3 Congress by the President that Georgia has shown signifi-  
4 cant and sustained progress towards reinvigorating its de-  
5 mocracy and advancing its Euro-Atlantic integration.

6 **SEC. 17\_6. DEFINITIONS.**

7       In this subtitle:

8           (1) The term “appropriate congressional com-  
9 mittees” means—

10               (A) the Committee on Foreign Relations of  
11 the Senate;

12               (B) the Committee on Appropriations of  
13 the Senate;

14               (C) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of  
15 the House of Representatives; and

16               (D) the Committee on Appropriations of  
17 the House of Representatives.

18           (2) The term “NATO” means the North Atlan-  
19 tic Treaty Organization.

20           (3) The term “Secretary” means the Secretary  
21 of State.

1 **SEC. 17\_\_7. SUNSET.**

2       This subtitle shall cease to have any force or effect  
3 beginning on the date that is 5 years after the date of  
4 the enactment of this subtitle.

