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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services

AN ACT

To authorize the transfer of naval vessels to certain foreign countries.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. AUTHORITY TO TRANSFER NAVAL VESSELS.**

2 (a) BRAZIL.—The Secretary of the Navy is author-
3 ized to transfer to the Government of Brazil the
4 “HUNLEY” class submarine tender HOLLAND (AS 32).

5 (b) CHILE.—The Secretary of the Navy is authorized
6 to transfer to the Government of Chile the “KAISER”
7 class oiler ISHERWOOD (T-AO 191).

8 (c) EGYPT.—The Secretary of the Navy is authorized
9 to transfer to the Government of Egypt the “KNOX”
10 class frigates PAUL (FF 1080), MILLER (FF 1091),
11 JESSE L. BROWN (FFT 1089), and MOINESTER
12 (FFT 1097), and the “OLIVER HAZARD PERRY”
13 class frigates FAHRION (FFG 22) and LEWIS B.
14 PULLER (FFG 23).

15 (d) ISRAEL.—The Secretary of the Navy is author-
16 ized to transfer to the Government of Israel the “NEW-
17 PORT” class tanklanding ship PEORIA (LST 1183).

18 (e) MALAYSIA.—The Secretary of the Navy is author-
19 ized to transfer to the Government of Malaysia the
20 “NEWPORT” class tank landing ship BARBOUR
21 COUNTY (LST 1195).

22 (f) MEXICO.—The Secretary of the Navy is author-
23 ized to transfer to the Government of Mexico the
24 “KNOX” class frigate ROARK (FF 1053).

25 (g) TAIWAN.—The Secretary of the Navy is author-
26 ized to transfer to the Taipei Economic and Cultural Rep-

1 representative Office in the United States (which is the Tai-
2 wan instrumentality designated pursuant to section 10(a)
3 of the Taiwan Relations Act) the “KNOX” class frigates
4 WHIPPLE (FF 1062) and DOWNES (FF 1070).

5 (h) THAILAND.—The Secretary of the Navy is au-
6 thorized to transfer to the Government of Thailand the
7 “NEWPORT” class tank landing ship SCHENECTADY
8 (LST 1185).

9 (i) FORM OF TRANSFERS.—Each transfer authorized
10 by this section shall be on a sales basis under section 21
11 of the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2761; relating
12 to the foreign military sales program).

13 **SEC. 2. SENSE OF THE CONGRESS REGARDING TRANSFER**
14 **OF NAVAL VESSELS AND INTERNATIONAL CO-**
15 **OPERATION WITH THE REPUBLIC OF THE**
16 **PHILLIPINES.**

17 (a) FINDINGS.—The Congress makes the following
18 findings:

19 (1) The United States and the Republic of the
20 Philippines have a long tradition of international co-
21 operation and mutual support.

22 (2) The United States strongly desires to con-
23 tinue mutual cooperation as a partner in matters of
24 international security and scientific research.

1 (3) The President and the Department of De-
2 fense possess assets which can contribute positively
3 to international security and scientific research.

4 (b) SENSE OF THE CONGRESS.—It is the sense of
5 the Congress that the President should use the authority
6 under section 21 of the Arms Export Control Act (22
7 U.S.C. 2761) to transfer on a sales basis, subject to vessel
8 availability, to the Republic of the Philippines, not more
9 than one “STALWART” or “VICTORIOUS” class ocean
10 surveillance ship (T-AGOS).

11 **SEC. 3. COSTS OF TRANSFERS.**

12 Any expense of the United States in connection with
13 a transfer authorized by this Act shall be charged to the
14 recipient.

15 **SEC. 4. EXPIRATION OF AUTHORITY.**

16 The authority granted by section 1 shall expire at the
17 end of the 2-year period beginning on the date of the en-
18 actment of this Act.

19 **SEC. 5. REPAIR AND REFURBISHMENT OF VESSELS IN**
20 **UNITED STATES SHIPYARDS.**

21 The Secretary of the Navy shall require, to the maxi-
22 mum extent possible, as a condition of a transfer of a ves-
23 sel under this Act, that the country to which the vessel
24 is transferred have such repair or refurbishment of the
25 vessel as is needed, before the vessel joins the naval forces

1 of that country, performed at a shipyard located in the
2 United States, including a United States Navy shipyard.

Passed the House of Representatives July 15, 1997.

Attest:

ROBIN H. CARLE,

Clerk.