

117<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 4713

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 27, 2021

Mr. McCAUL (for himself and Mr. CUELLAR) introduced the following bill;  
which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## A BILL

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

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “DHS Transnational  
5       Criminal Investigative Units Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. HOMELAND SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS**  
2 **TRANSNATIONAL CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE**  
3 **UNITS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle D of title IV of the  
5 Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 231 et seq.)  
6 is amended by adding at the end the following new section:

7 **“SEC. 447. TRANSNATIONAL CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE**  
8 **UNITS.**

9 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established within  
10 the Department a program, which shall be known as the  
11 ‘Homeland Security Investigations Transnational Crimi-  
12 nal Investigative Unit Program’ (referred to in this section  
13 as ‘TCIU Program’). The TCIU Program shall be headed  
14 by an Assistant Director, who shall be appointed by the  
15 Executive Associate Director of U.S. Immigration and  
16 Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations.

17 “(b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the TCIU Program  
18 shall be to—

19 “(1) coordinate homeland security investiga-  
20 tions into transnational criminal organizations; and

21 “(2) enhance cooperation between Homeland  
22 Security Investigations and trusted and vetted for-  
23 eign law enforcement partners in order to identify  
24 targets, collect evidence, share information, and fa-  
25 cilitate the prosecution of transnational criminal or-

1       ganizations both in-country and through the United  
2       States judicial system.

3       “(c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There  
4 is authorized to be appropriated \$6,000,000 for fiscal  
5 years 2022 and 2023 to carry out this section.”.

6       (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of contents  
7 in section 1(b) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 is  
8 amended by inserting after the item relating to section  
9 446 the following new item:

“Sec. 447. Transnational criminal investigative units.”.

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