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H. R. 8362

To direct the Secretary of State to host regular U.S.-Africa Leaders Summits,
and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MEEKS (for himself and Ms. JACOBS) introduced the following bill; which
was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

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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. U.S.-AFRICA LEADERS SUMMIT AND RELATED**
4 **MATTERS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State shall, sub-
6 ject to the availability of funds, host one U.S.-Africa Lead-
7 ers Summit every four years or more frequently as appro-
8 priate, to strengthen ties and promote cooperation with
9 African leaders, as well as civil society, business, diaspora,
10 women, and youth leaders.

1 (b) U.S.-AFRICA CITY SUMMIT (“MINI SUM-
2 MIT”).—The Secretary of State should host one U.S.-Afri-
3 ca City Summit (“Mini Summit”) every four years, to take
4 place two years after the most recent U.S.-Africa Leaders
5 Summit described in subsection (a), across cities in Africa
6 or the United States, or more frequently as appropriate,
7 to promote subregional cooperation and serve as a catalyst
8 in fostering engagement with representatives of govern-
9 ment, civil society, business, academia, youth, culture and
10 the arts, the African diaspora community, and underrep-
11 resented groups.

12 (c) U.S.-AFRICA LEADERS SUMMIT IMPLEMENTA-
13 TION UNIT.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of State is
15 authorized to establish within the Bureau for Afri-
16 can Affairs of the Department of State a U.S.-Afri-
17 ca Leaders Summit implementation unit responsible
18 for overseeing the implementation of commitments
19 made at summits described in this section.

20 (2) DUTIES.—The duties of the implementation
21 unit authorized by this subsection shall include—

22 (A) tracking and ensuring implementation
23 of commitments made during U.S.-Africa Lead-
24 ers Summits;

1 (B) liaising with interagency partners and
2 the National Security Council regarding imple-
3 mentation of summit commitments;

4 (C) facilitating meetings and engagement
5 of the President’s Advisory Council on African
6 Diaspora Engagement; and

7 (D) reporting quarterly on a public website
8 of the Department of State regarding progress
9 to accomplish summit commitments and status
10 of commitments across Federal departments
11 and agencies.

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