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To impose sanctions with respect to certain senior officials of the Chinese Communist Party, and for other purposes.

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Mrs. CAMMACK introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To impose sanctions with respect to certain senior officials of the Chinese Communist Party, and for other purposes.

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 “Chinese Communist
5 Party (CCP) Politburo Accountability Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS.**

7 (a) IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS.—Notwithstanding
8 any other provision of law, the President is authorized to

1 impose the sanctions described in subsection (b) with re-
2 spect to any foreign person the President determines—

3 (1) is a senior official of the Chinese Com-
4 munist Party (CCP), including a member of the
5 CCP Politburo; and

6 (2) has engaged in or provided support to or
7 for—

8 (A) a malign disinformation campaign or
9 political warfare operation against the United
10 States;

11 (B) the theft of intellectual property of a
12 United States person;

13 (C) threats or actions undermining the
14 sovereignty of Taiwan; or

15 (D) the forced closure or destruction of
16 churches, mosques, Buddhist temples or any
17 other place of worship in China, or religious
18 practice of Christians, Muslims, Buddhists or
19 any other religious group in China.

20 (b) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—The sanctions described in
22 this subsection with respect to a foreign person de-
23 termined by the President to be subject to sub-
24 section (a) are the following:

1 (A) ASSET BLOCKING.—The President
2 shall exercise of all powers granted to the Presi-
3 dent by the International Emergency Economic
4 Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) to the ex-
5 tent necessary to block and prohibit all trans-
6 actions in property and interests in property of
7 the foreign person if such property and inter-
8 ests in property are in the United States, come
9 within the United States, or are or come within
10 the possession or control of a United States
11 person.

12 (B) INADMISSIBILITY OF CERTAIN INDI-
13 VIDUALS.—

14 (i) INELIGIBILITY FOR VISAS, ADMIS-
15 SION, OR PAROLE.—Such a foreign person
16 is—

17 (I) inadmissible to the United
18 States;

19 (II) ineligible to receive a visa or
20 other documentation to enter the
21 United States; and

22 (III) otherwise ineligible to be
23 admitted or paroled into the United
24 States or to receive any other benefit

1 under the Immigration and Nation-
2 ality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101 et seq.).

3 (ii) CURRENT VISAS REVOKED.—

4 (I) IN GENERAL.—The visa or
5 other documentation issued to such a
6 foreign person shall be revoked, re-
7 gardless of when such visa or other
8 documentation is or was issued.

9 (II) EFFECT OF REVOCATION.—

10 A revocation under subclause (I)
11 shall—

12 (aa) take effect immediately;

13 and

14 (bb) automatically cancel
15 any other valid visa or entry doc-
16 umentation that is in the per-
17 son's possession.

18 (2) PENALTIES.—The penalties provided for in
19 subsections (b) and (c) of section 206 of the Inter-
20 national Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 24
21 U.S.C. 1705) shall apply to a person that violates,
22 attempts to violate, conspires to violate, or causes a
23 violation of regulations promulgated under sub-
24 section (f) to implement this section to the same ex-
25 tent that such penalties apply to a person that com-

1 mits an unlawful act described in section 206(a) of
2 that Act.

3 (3) EXCEPTION TO COMPLY WITH UNITED NA-
4 TIONS HEADQUARTERS AGREEMENT.—Sanctions
5 under paragraph (1)(B) shall not apply to a foreign
6 person who is an individual if admitting the person
7 into the United States is necessary to permit the
8 United States to comply with the Agreement regard-
9 ing the Headquarters of the United Nations, signed
10 at Lake Success June 26, 1947, and entered into
11 force November 21, 1947, between the United Na-
12 tions and the United States, or other applicable
13 international obligations.

14 (c) WAIVER.—The President may, on a case-by-case
15 basis and for one period not to exceed one year, waive the
16 application of sanctions imposed with respect to a foreign
17 person under this section if the President certifies to the
18 appropriate congressional committees not later than 15
19 days before such waiver is to take effect that such waiver
20 is vital to the national security interests of the United
21 States.

22 (d) TERMINATION OF SANCTIONS.—The President
23 may terminate the application of sanctions under this sec-
24 tion if the President determines and reports to the appro-
25 priate congressional committees not later than 15 days be-

1 fore the termination takes effect that the President has
2 determined that the foreign person no longer is involved
3 in any of the activities described in subsection (a).

4 (e) IMPLEMENTATION AUTHORITY.—The President
5 may exercise all authorities provided to the President
6 under sections 203 and 205 of the International Emer-
7 gency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1702 and 1704)
8 for purposes of carrying out this section.

9 (f) REGULATORY AUTHORITY.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after
11 the date of the enactment of this Act, the President
12 shall promulgate regulations as necessary for the im-
13 plementation of this section.

14 (2) NOTIFICATION TO CONGRESS.—Not later
15 than 10 days before the promulgation of regulations
16 under paragraph (1), the President shall notify and
17 provide to the appropriate congressional committees
18 the proposed regulations and the provisions of this
19 section that such regulations are implementing.

20 (g) SUNSET.—

21 (1) IN GENERAL.—This section shall terminate
22 on January 1, 2026.

23 (2) INAPPLICABILITY.—Paragraph (1) shall not
24 apply with respect to sanctions imposed with respect

1 to a foreign person under this section before Janu-
2 ary 1, 2026.

3 (h) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

4 (1) ADMITTED.—The term “admitted” has the
5 meaning given such term in section 101(3) of the
6 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
7 1101(3)).

8 (2) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
9 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
10 mittees” means—

11 (A) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the
12 Committee on the Judiciary, the Committee on
13 Ways and Means, and the Committee on Finan-
14 cial Services of the House of Representatives;
15 and

16 (B) the Committee on Foreign Relations
17 and the Committee on Banking, Housing, and
18 Urban Affairs of the Senate.

19 (3) FOREIGN PERSON.—The term “foreign per-
20 son” means a person that is not a national or citizen
21 of the United States or lawfully admitted for perma-
22 nent residence in the United States.

1 **SEC. 3. DETERMINATION WITH RESPECT TO THE IMPOSI-**
2 **TION OF SANCTIONS ON MEMBERS OF THE**
3 **CCP POLITBURO.**

4 (a) DETERMINATION.—Not later than 180 days after
5 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
6 State, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury,
7 shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees
8 a determination, including a detailed justification, regard-
9 ing whether any member of the Chinese Communist Party
10 (CCP) Politburo satisfies the criteria for the application
11 of sanctions pursuant to any of the following:

12 (1) Section 2 of this Act.

13 (2) Executive Order 13694 (50 U.S.C. 1701
14 note; relating to blocking property of certain persons
15 engaged in significant malicious cyber-enabled activi-
16 ties).

17 (3) The Global Magnitsky Human Rights Ac-
18 countability Act (22 U.S.C. 2656 note).

19 (4) The Uyghur Human Rights and Policy Act
20 of 2020 (Public Law 116–145).

21 (5) The Hong Kong Human Rights and De-
22 mocracy Act of 2019 (Public Law 116–76).

23 (b) FORM.—The determination required by sub-
24 section (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may
25 contain a classified annex.

1 (c) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-
2 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congres-
3 sional committees” means—

4 (1) the Committee on Armed Services, the
5 Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee on Fi-
6 nancial Services, and the Committee on the Judici-
7 ary of the House of Representatives; and

8 (2) the Committee on Armed Services, the
9 Committee on Foreign Relations, the Committee on
10 Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, and the Com-
11 mittee on the Judiciary of the Senate.

12 **SEC. 4. MANDATORY APPLICATION OF SANCTIONS.**

13 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
14 date of the enactment of this Act, the President shall im-
15 pose the sanctions described in section 2 of this Act with
16 respect to each individual specified in subsection (b).

17 (b) INDIVIDUALS DESCRIBED.—The individuals spec-
18 ified in this subsection are the following:

19 (1) He Lifeng.

20 (2) Zhao Leji.

21 (3) Cai Qi.

22 (4) Ding Xuexiang.

23 (5) Li Xi.

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