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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 28, 2015

Mr. TOOMEY (for himself, Mr. KIRK, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. CRUZ, and Mr. RUBIO) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

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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 “Justice for Victims  
5 of Iranian Terrorism Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON LIFTING OF SANCTIONS ON IRAN**  
2 **PENDING PAYMENT OF CERTAIN JUDG-**  
3 **MENTS.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Notwithstanding any other provi-  
5 sion of law, the President may not take any of the actions  
6 described in subsection (b) until the President has cer-  
7 tified to Congress that the Government of Iran has paid  
8 each judgment against Iran that is described in subsection  
9 (c).

10 (b) **ACTIONS DESCRIBED.**—

11 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—The actions described in this  
12 subsection are the following:

13 (A) To waive, suspend, reduce, provide re-  
14 lief from, or otherwise limit the application of  
15 sanctions described in paragraph (2) or refrain  
16 from applying any such sanctions.

17 (B) To remove a foreign person listed in  
18 Attachment 3 or Attachment 4 to Annex II of  
19 the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action from  
20 the list of specially designated nationals and  
21 blocked persons maintained by the Office of  
22 Foreign Asset Control of the Department of the  
23 Treasury.

24 (2) **SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.**—The sanctions de-  
25 scribed in this paragraph are—

1 (A) the sanctions described in sections 4  
2 through 7.9 of Annex II of the Joint Com-  
3 prehensive Plan of Action; and

4 (B) the sanctions described in any other  
5 agreement related to the nuclear program of  
6 Iran that includes the United States, commits  
7 the United States to take action, or pursuant to  
8 which the United States commits or otherwise  
9 agrees to take action, regardless of the form it  
10 takes, whether a political commitment or other-  
11 wise, and regardless of whether it is legally  
12 binding or not.

13 (c) JUDGMENTS.—A judgment is a judgment de-  
14 scribed in this subsection if it is a final judgment entered  
15 by the courts of the United States or of the States—

16 (1) that relates to a claim—

17 (A) that was brought against Iran or its  
18 political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumental-  
19 ities (regardless of whether the claim was also  
20 brought, or the resulting judgment was also en-  
21 tered, against another defendant); and

22 (B) for which the court determined that  
23 Iran (or its political subdivisions, agencies, or  
24 instrumentalities, as the case may be) was not  
25 immune from the jurisdiction of the courts of

1 the United States or of the States under section  
2 1605A, or section 1605(a)(7) (as such section  
3 was in effect on January 27, 2008), of title 28,  
4 United States Code; and

5 (2) that was entered during the period begin-  
6 ning on April 24, 1996, and ending on the date of  
7 the enactment of this Act.

8 (d) JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF ACTION DE-  
9 SCRIBED.—In this section, the term “Joint Comprehensive  
10 Plan of Action” means the Joint Comprehensive Plan of  
11 Action, agreed to at Vienna on July 14, 2015, by Iran  
12 and by the People’s Republic of China, France, Germany,  
13 the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom and the  
14 United States, with the High Representative of the Euro-  
15 pean Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, and  
16 all implementing materials and agreements related to the  
17 Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action.

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