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AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2583

OFFERED BY MR. ENGEL OF NEW YORK

At the end of title VIII, add the following:

1 **SEC. 8xx. LIMITATION ON ASSISTANCE TO THE PALES-**
2 **TINIAN AUTHORITY.**

3 Chapter 1 of part III of the Foreign Assistance Act
4 of 1961 is amended—

5 (1) by redesignating the second section 620J
6 (as added by section 651 of Public Law 110–161)
7 as section 620M; and

8 (2) by adding at the end the following:

9 **"SEC. 620N. LIMITATION ON ASSISTANCE TO THE PALES-**
10 **TINIAN AUTHORITY.**

11 "(a) LIMITATION.—Funds may not be provided
12 under this Act to the Palestinian Authority except during
13 a period for which a certification described in subsection
14 (b) is in effect.

15 "(b) CERTIFICATION.—Not later than 60 days after
16 the date of the enactment of this Act, and every 180 days
17 thereafter—

18 "(1) the President shall certify in writing, to
19 the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the
20 President pro tempore of the Senate, and the Com-

1 mittees on Foreign Affairs of the House of Rep-
2 resentatives and Foreign Relations of the Senate
3 that leaders of the Palestinian Authority or any
4 caretaker or follow-on government have not unilater-
5 ally declared independence in 2011 or thereafter, are
6 engaged in peace negotiations with the State of
7 Israel, and are not pursuing recognition of Pales-
8 tinian statehood at the United Nations; or
9 "(2) if the President is unable to make such a
10 certification, the President shall transmit to the in-
11 dividuals and committees described in paragraph (1)
12 a report that contains the reasons therefor.
13 "(c) WAIVER.—The President may waive subsection
14 (a) if—
15 "(1) the President determines that it is vital to
16 the national security interest of the United States to
17 do so; and
18 "(2) the President transmits to the individuals
19 and committees described in subsection (b)(1) a re-
20 port detailing—
21 "(A) the justification for the waiver, the
22 purposes for which the funds for the Pales-
23 tinian Authority will be spent, and the reasons
24 the President is unable to make the certifi-
25 cation contained in subsection; and

1 "(B) the steps the Palestinian Authority
2 has taken to arrest terrorists, confiscate weap-
3 ons, dismantle terrorist infrastructure, halt in-
4 citement, and to promote peace with the Jewish
5 state of Israel.".

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