

HR 5996

Halt Arms and Promote Peace in South Sudan Act

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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
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Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Sep 12, 2016)

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This bill expresses the sense of Congress with respect to the civil war in South Sudan.

The bill: (1) requires a validated license to export dual use goods or technology to South Sudan, and (2) prohibits issuing an export license to South Sudan for any item on the United States Munitions List.

The bill provides that the Department of State should seek to engage with relevant institutions to impose coordinated asset blocking and travel ban sanctions on persons who have violated a cease fire in South Sudan or who knowingly transferred arms to any party to hostilities in that country.

The President shall direct the U.S. Permanent Representative to the United Nations to use U.S. influence to seek: (1) imposition of targeted sanctions against all parties to hostilities in South Sudan, and (2) an arms embargo against the government of South Sudan and all other parties to hostilities in that country.

Upon making a determination that a cease fire exists and progress toward implementing the agreement is being made, the State Department shall: (1) develop a strategy to strengthen food security in South Sudan, (2) assess South Sudan's participation in the Feed the Future initiative, and (3) facilitate South Sudan's participation in the Power Africa and the Trade Africa programs.

The President shall report on: (1) the imposition of such sanctions, and (2) activities and finances of persons supplying arms to South Sudan.

The State Department shall report on: (1) progress towards peace in South Sudan, and (2) atrocities committed during the civil war in South Sudan.

The Department of the Treasury shall determine whether South Sudan is a jurisdiction of primary money laundering concern.

Actions Timeline

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