

1 Purpose: To develop a strategy to prevent and respond to gender-based violence globally.

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16 At the appropriate place, insert the following:

17 **SEC. __. UNITED STATES STRATEGY TO PREVENT AND**
18 **RESPOND TO GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE GLOBALLY.**

19 (a) Global Strategy Requirement.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of
20 this Act, and biennially thereafter for 6 years, the Secretary of State shall develop or update a
21 United States global strategy to prevent and respond to violence against women and girls. The
22 strategy shall be transmitted to the appropriate congressional committees and made publicly
23 available on the Internet.

24 (b) Initial Strategy.—For the purposes of this section, the “United States Strategy to Prevent
25 and Respond to Gender-Based Violence Globally”, issued in August 2012, shall be deemed to
26 fulfill the initial requirement of subsection (a).

27 (c) Collaboration and Coordination.—In developing the strategy under subsection (a), the
28 Secretary of State shall consult with—

29 (1) the heads of relevant Federal agencies;

30 (2) the Senior Policy Operating Group on Trafficking in Persons; and

31 (3) representatives of civil society and multilateral organizations with demonstrated
32 experience in addressing violence against women and girls or promoting gender equality
33 internationally.

34 (d) Priority Country Selection.—To further the objectives of the strategy described in
35 subsection (a), the Secretary shall identify no less than 4 eligible low-income and lower-middle

1 income countries with significant levels of violence against women and girls, including within
2 displaced communities, that have the governmental or nongovernmental organizational capacity
3 to manage and implement gender-based violence prevention and response program activities and
4 should, when possible, be geographically, ethnically, and culturally diverse from one another.

5 (e) Country Plans.—In each country identified under subsection (d) the Secretary shall
6 develop comprehensive, multisectoral, and holistic individual country plans designed to address
7 and respond to violence against women and girls that include—

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8 (1) an assessment and description of the current or potential capacity of the government
9 of each identified country and civil society organizations in each such identified country to
10 address and respond to violence against women and girls;

11 (2) an identification of coordination mechanisms with Federal agencies that—

12 (A) have existing programs relevant to the strategy;

13 (B) will be involved in new program activities; and

14 (C) are engaged in broader United States strategies around development;

15 (3) a description of the monitoring and evaluation mechanisms established for each
16 identified country, and their intended use in assessing overall progress in prevention and
17 response;

18 (4) a projection of the general levels of resources needed to achieve the stated objectives
19 in each identified country, including an accounting of—

20 (A) activities and funding already expended by the Department of State, the United
21 States Agency for International Development, other Federal agencies, donor country
22 governments, and multilateral institutions; and

23 (B) leveraged private sector resources; and

24 (5) strategies, as appropriate, designed to accommodate the needs of stateless, disabled,
25 internally displaced, refugee, or religious or ethnic minority women and girls.

26 (f) Report on Priority Country Selection and Country Plans.—Not more than 90 days after
27 selection of the priority countries required under subsection (d), and annually thereafter, the
28 Secretary of State shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report detailing the
29 priority country selection process, the development of specific country plans, and include an
30 overview of all programming and specific activities being undertaken, the budget resources
31 requested, and the specific activities to be supported by each Executive agency under the strategy.
32 if such resources are provided.

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33 (g) Rule of Construction.—Nothing in this section may be construed to authorize any
34 additional appropriations for the purposes and initiatives of this section.

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