

AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To require the Secretary of State to notify Congress, before the submission of the annual Trafficking in Persons Report, of the countries that will be upgraded or downgraded in such report.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—114th Cong., 1st Sess.

S. _____

To authorize appropriations for the Department of State for fiscal year 2016, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and ordered to be printed

Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. MENENDEZ

Viz:

1 At the end of subtitle B of title III, add the following:

2 **SEC. 3 ____ . CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION OF COUNTRIES**

3 **COMPLIANCE WITH MINIMUM STANDARDS**

4 **FOR THE ELIMINATION OF TRAFFICKING.**

5 Section 110 of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act

6 of 2000 (22 U.S.C. 7107) is amended by adding at the

7 end the following:

8 “(g) CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION.—Not later

9 than 30 days before the anticipated submission of each

10 annual report under subsection (b)(1), the Secretary of

11 State shall notify and brief the appropriate congressional

1 committees concerning the countries that will be upgraded
2 to a higher tier or downgraded to a lower tier in such re-
3 port.”.