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Summary of Year-Long CR Provisions

The Senate CR significantly reduces funding for State Department and foreign operations, while preserving U.S. leadership and influence not only in the frontline states of Afghanistan, Pakistan and Iraq but also in the Middle East, Western Hemisphere, Asia and the Pacific. As Secretary of State Clinton, Secretary of Defense Gates, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs Admiral Mullen, General Petraeus, President Obama, former Presidents George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush, and every former National Security Advisor have recognized, these diplomatic operations and international development programs directly support U.S. interests and protect U.S. security.

Title I – DEPARTMENT OF STATE

The bill provides \$16.2 billion for Department of State and related agency operations, a decrease of \$1.0 billion below the President's request and \$1.07 billion above the amount provided in H.R. 1.

Highlights by Account

- **Diplomatic and Consular Programs (D&CP).** The bill provides \$8.9 billion for the D&CP account, \$606 million below the request and \$552 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1. D&CP funds U.S. embassies and consulates which assist Americans traveling, working and studying overseas, as well as the Department of State's headquarter operations. These funds support the State Department's diplomatic personnel and operations in Afghanistan, Pakistan and Iraq.
- **Worldwide Security Protection.** The bill provides \$1.5 billion for Worldwide Security Protection within the D&CP account for non-capital security upgrades, \$25 million below the request and \$44.4 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1. This account funds Diplomatic Security agents, armored vehicles, and training to protect U.S. personnel working in dangerous environments overseas.
- **Embassy Security, Construction, and Maintenance.** The bill provides \$1.6 billion for construction and maintenance of embassy facilities worldwide, which is \$51.5 million below the request and \$9.29 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1.
- **Educational and Cultural Exchange Programs (ECE).** The bill provides \$625 million for ECE, which is \$8.2 million below the request and \$123.6 million above the amount

provided in H.R. 1. ECE funds exchanges between Americans and citizens of other countries, including the Fulbright, International Visitor Leadership, and Citizen Exchange programs.

- **Civilian Stabilization Initiative (CSI).** The bill provides \$33.49 million for the Department of State's CSI account and \$10 million for USAID's CSI for a total of \$43.49 million, which is \$140.5 million below the request and \$3.5 million below the amount provided in H.R. 1. This accounts funds the interagency civilian capability that responds to acute humanitarian crisis and conflicts around the world.
- **Contributions for International Peacekeeping Activities (CIPA).** The bill provides \$2.095 billion for CIPA, which is \$87.3 million below the request and \$196.5 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1. In addition, the Senate bill includes language that allows for a transfer of up to an additional \$35 million to the "Peacekeeping Operations" heading for the U.S. contribution for payments for the peacekeeping force in Somalia.
- **Contributions to International Organizations (CIO).** The bill provides \$1.545 billion for CIO, which is \$50 million below the request and \$28.57 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1. This account funds the assessed contributions for U.S. membership in the United Nations, NATO, the International Atomic Energy Agency, World Health Organization, and other international organizations.
- **Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG).** The bill provides \$740.37 million for the BBG, which is \$28.4 million below the request, and \$43.8 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1. The BBG funds U.S. overseas broadcasting operations including Voice of America, Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, Radio Free Asia, and Middle East Broadcasting Networks (Alhurra and Radio Sawa).

Other Accounts:

- **International Fisheries Commissions.** The bill provides \$50.5 million for 15 international fisheries commissions, which is \$6.9 million above the request and \$5.87 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1. This reflects the U.S. contribution for treaty-obligated commissions to assist U.S. fisheries to increase their catch limits, and provides funding for sea lamprey control, fishery research and water quality improvements.
- **The Asia Foundation.** The bill provides \$17.9 million, which is \$2.2 million above the request, and \$3.15 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1. The Foundation funds programs and grants that support democratic initiatives, governance, and economic reform throughout Asia, including in Afghanistan.
- **United States Institute of Peace (USIP).** The bill provides \$39.49 million, which is \$7.05 million below the request. H.R. 1 does not include any funding for USIP. This account funds conflict resolution and peace building, including in Iraq.

- **East-West Center.** The bill provides \$21 million, which is \$9.6 million above the request. H.R. 1 did not include any funding for the East-West Center. The Center funds cooperative research, study, and exchange between the U.S. and the nations of the Asia-Pacific region.
- **National Endowment for Democracy (NED).** The bill provides \$118 million for NED, which is \$13 million above the request and \$7.08 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1. The NED plays a key role in strengthening democracy, human rights, civil society and the rule of law in about 100 countries.

Title II – ADMINISTRATION OF FOREIGN ASSISTANCE

Operating Expenses – USAID. The bill provides \$1.385 billion for USAID operating expenses, which is \$86.97 million below the request and \$117.6 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1. This account funds USAID salaries, operational expenses, IT and capital space expansion, including in Afghanistan, Pakistan and Iraq.

Title III – BILATERAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE

The bill provides a total of \$21.59 billion for bilateral economic assistance, which is \$2.99 billion below the request and \$3.55 billion above the amount provided in H.R. 1.

Global Health and Child Survival (GHCS). The bill provides \$7.88 billion for Global Health Programs, which is \$633 million below the request and \$884 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1. This account provides funding for programs to prevent and treat HIV/AIDS, Malaria, Tuberculosis, Polio and Neglected Tropical Diseases, and to support Family Planning and Reproductive Health.

- **HIV/AIDS.** The bill provides a total of \$5.355 billion to combat HIV/AIDS through the Department of State, which is \$145 million below the request and \$509 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1. The President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) supports aid for those suffering from HIV/AIDS around the world, a program that has held bipartisan support. H.R. 1 would mean PEPFAR could not provide life-saving HIV/AIDS drugs to some 400,000 people as planned, or provide care and support to 1.1 million people directly infected and affected by HIV/AIDS, including nearly 300,000 orphans and vulnerable children.
- **Global Fund to Fight AIDS.** The bill provides \$750 million for the Global Fund, which is \$50 million above the President's request and \$150 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1. The Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services has provided an additional \$300 million for the Global Fund, as requested, bringing the total U.S. FY11 contribution to \$1.05 billion, which is \$450 above the level provided in H.R. 1. At the House level of funding, approximately 3.7 million people would not be tested for HIV, more than 10 million mosquito nets for malaria would not be provided, and 372,000 testing and treatments for tuberculosis would be halted.

Development Assistance (DA). The bill provides \$2.5 billion for DA, which is \$481 million below the request and \$726 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1. DA supports

assistance for agriculture and food aid to combat global hunger, clean energy and forest protection programs, basic education for children, democracy, human rights and governance support, and economic growth activities including in Central American countries that have been the primary source of illegal migrants.

International Disaster Assistance (IDA). The bill provides \$879 million for IDA, which is \$18.3 million above the request and \$449 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1. IDA provides aid to people displaced from war, famine and natural disasters, such as the earthquake in Haiti and floods in Pakistan.

Economic Support Fund (ESF). The bill provides \$6.25 billion for ESF, which is \$1.56 billion below the request and \$543 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1. These funds support political, economic, and security programs in countries that are critical to U.S. national security, such as Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iraq, Haiti, Sudan, Egypt, and Mexico.

Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia (AEECA). The bill provides \$697 million for AEECA, which is \$19.2 million below the request and equal to the amount provided in H.R. 1. AEECA funds support to countries in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union, including key U.S. allies and coalition partners.

Democracy Fund (DF). The bill provides \$115 million for the Democracy Fund, which is \$2.2 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1. The President's budget did not include funding for the DF, but many of these programs were requested under ESF. The DF supports programs to strengthen governmental institutions in countries where democracy is weak or threatened by corruption.

Migration and Refugee Assistance (MRA). The bill provides \$1.68 billion for Migration and Refugee Assistance, which is \$79.6 million above the request and \$662 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1. At a time when the number of refugees and other displaced persons in the Middle East, North Africa and Pakistan is skyrocketing, and protracted refugee crises exist in countries neighboring Iraq, the U.S. has compelling security and humanitarian interests in providing aid to these populations.

Peace Corps. The bill provides \$395 million, which is \$51.2 million below the request and \$64.2 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1. Now in its 50th year, the Peace Corps promotes understanding between Americans and the citizens of other countries, including a new program in Indonesia, the world's largest Muslim democracy.

Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC). The bill provides \$900 million for the MCC, which is \$379 million below the request \$110 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1. The MCC, started by President George W. Bush, promotes economic growth in eligible countries through a government-led, results-driven process.

Title IV – INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE

The bill provides \$8.78 billion for international security assistance and peacekeeping operations, \$1.18 billion below the request and \$352 million below the amount provided in H.R. 1.

International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement (INCLE). The bill provides \$1.56 billion for INCLE, which is \$571 million below the request and \$32 million below the amount provided in H.R. 1. However, \$375 million was included in the FY10 Supplemental for programs and activities requested for FY11, so the actual reduction from the FY11 request for these programs is \$196 million. INCLE supports counter-drug and other rule of law programs in Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iraq, Mexico, and Colombia.

Foreign Military Financing (FMF). The bill provides \$5.37 billion for FMF, which is \$108 million below the request and \$20 million below the amount provided in H.R. 1. The Senate CR provides \$3 billion in FMF for Israel, \$1.3 billion for Egypt, and \$300 million for Jordan – the amounts requested. The bill requires a report by the Secretary of State on the transition to free and fair elections in Egypt.

Pakistan Counterinsurgency Capability Fund (PCCF). The bill provides \$700 million for PCCF, which is \$300 million below the request and the amount provided in H.R. 1. The PCCF funds assistance to the Pakistani security forces operating in the border areas with Afghanistan.

Title V – MULTILATERAL ASSISTANCE

The bill provides \$2.57 billion for multilateral economic assistance, which is \$736 million below the President's request and \$1.11 billion above the amount provided in H.R. 1.

- **Climate Change and Environment.** The bill provides \$460 million for U.S. contributions to the Global Environment Facility, Clean Technology Fund, and Strategic Climate Fund, which is \$349.5 million below the request and \$428 million above the amount provided in H.R. 1. These programs promote exports of U.S. clean energy technology, protect rainforests, and help vulnerable countries adapt to water and food shortages caused by rising temperatures.
- **Asian Development Bank.** The bill provides \$106.58 million for the first of five annual contributions to the Asian Development Bank's Fifth General Capital Increase. This is equal to the request. H.R. 1 did not provide funding for this account. Without these funds the U.S. will lose shares in this institution, as well as its long-standing equality with Japan at the Bank.
- **Global Agriculture and Food Security Program.** The bill provides \$200 million for this recently established fund administered by the World Bank, which is \$208 million below the request. H.R. 1 did not provide funding for this account. This fund supports agriculture development in countries threatened by persistent hunger and famine.

Title VI – EXPORT AND INVESTMENT ASSISTANCE

The bill provides \$58 million for **Export-Import Bank** subsidy appropriations, \$34.7 million below the request and equal to the amount provided in H.R. 1. This account supports billions of dollars in U.S. exports by providing export financing through loan, guarantee, and insurance programs.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

Internet Freedom. The bill provides a total of \$30 million for Internet Freedom activities in closed societies, of which \$15 million is transferred to the Broadcasting Board of Governors.

Iran. The bill prohibits the use of funds by the Export-Import Bank to provide any new financing to any person that is subject to sanctions under the Iran Sanctions Act of 1996, and continues a prior reporting requirement on Iran.

West Bank/Gaza. The bill provides the amount requested for the West Bank/Gaza program, subject to conditions.

Colombia. The bill provides \$453.9 million for Colombia, and continues prior conditions on a portion of the funds, which is \$11 million below the request.

Vietnam. The bill provides \$21 million for environmental remediation of dioxin contamination and related health/disability activities.