

## **National Security, Department of State, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2026**

The National Security, Department of State, and Related Programs Appropriations bill for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 provides a base discretionary total of \$50.0 billion, a 16 percent decrease from FY 2025 enacted. This bill advances United States foreign policy objectives of making America safer, stronger, and more prosperous. The bill provides security assistance to key allies and continues to provide critical life-saving global health programs around the world.

### **Key Takeaways**

- **Counters People's Republic of China:** Includes robust funding to counter the People's Republic of China (PRC) by investing \$1.8 billion for implementation of the Indo-Pacific Strategy; \$400 million for the Countering PRC Influence Fund; \$300 million for Foreign Military Financing for Taiwan; and \$100 million for Foreign Military Financing for the Philippines.
- **Supports Israel:** Includes \$3.3 billion for Foreign Military Financing for Israel.
- **Counters Drug Activities:** Provides \$150 million to counter fentanyl and other synthetic drugs with the goal of stopping the flow of these drugs before they reach the United States.
- **Invests in Global Health Programs:** Invests \$9.4 billion in Global Health Programs, including \$5.8 billion to combat HIV/AIDS programs, including bilateral PEPFAR programs as well as contributions to the Global Fund to fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria; \$915 million for Maternal and Child Health; and \$165 million for Nutrition.
- **Creates America First Opportunity Fund:** Includes \$850 million for a new America First Opportunity Fund, which provides the Secretary of State with dedicated funding and greater flexibility to meet today's foreign policy challenges.
- **Reforms United Nations:** Includes several new provisions aimed at reforming the United Nations.

### **Bill Highlights**

#### **Department of State**

- **Operations:** \$9.3 billion for State operations under Diplomatic Programs, including \$5.8 billion to strengthen embassy security and ensure the safety of U.S. diplomats around the world and \$129 million for the Department of State Office of Inspector General.
- **International Security Assistance:** \$8.9 billion for critical security assistance, including foreign military training and education programs (\$119 million), peacekeeping operations (\$335 million), counterterrorism and nonproliferation programs (\$870 million), counter

narcotics and law enforcement programs (\$1.4 billion), and foreign military financing for U.S. partners and allies (\$6.2 billion).

- **National Security Investment Programs:** \$6.8 billion for a new account that consolidates three other accounts to strengthen national security and foreign assistance programs.
- **International Humanitarian Assistance:** \$5.4 billion for a new account that consolidates two other assistance accounts to provide more efficient humanitarian assistance and more effective responses to natural disasters.
- **US International Development Finance Corporation (DFC):** \$998 million for DFC, a key agency poised to make America more prosperous by helping facilitate American deals and partnerships overseas.
- **International Religious Freedom:** The bill includes \$40 million for International Religious Freedom programs and \$4 million for the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom.