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To amend the Iran Threat Reduction and Syria Human Rights Act of 2012 to modify the requirement to impose sanctions with respect to the provision of specialized financial messaging services to the Central Bank of Iran and other sanctioned Iranian financial institutions, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 6, 2017

Mr. ZELDIN (for himself and Mr. SCHWEIKERT) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, and Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. MODIFICATION OF REQUIREMENT TO IMPOSE**
2 **SANCTIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE PROVI-**
3 **SION OF SPECIALIZED FINANCIAL MES-**
4 **SAGING SERVICES TO THE CENTRAL BANK**
5 **OF IRAN AND OTHER SANCTIONED IRANIAN**
6 **FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 220(c) of the Iran Threat
8 Reduction and Syria Human Rights Act of 2012 (22
9 U.S.C. 8726(c)) is amended—

10 (1) by redesignating paragraph (2) as para-
11 graph (3);

12 (2) in paragraph (1)—

13 (A) by striking “paragraph (2)” and in-
14 serting “paragraph (3)”; and

15 (B) by striking “the President may im-
16 pose” and all that follows and inserting “the
17 President shall impose sanctions pursuant to
18 that section, the International Emergency Eco-
19 nomic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.), or
20 paragraph (2) of this subsection with respect to
21 the person.”; and

22 (3) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-
23 lowing:

24 “(2) EXCLUSION FROM THE UNITED STATES
25 AND REVOCATION OF VISA OR OTHER DOCUMENTA-
26 TION.—

1 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The sanctions de-
2 scribed in this paragraph are, in the case of an
3 alien determined by the President to be a senior
4 executive or member of the board of directors
5 of a person described in paragraph (1), denial
6 of a visa to, and exclusion from the United
7 States of, the alien, and revocation in accord-
8 ance with section 221(i) of the Immigration and
9 Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1201(i)), of any visa
10 or other documentation of the alien.

11 “(B) DEFINITION.—In this paragraph, the
12 term ‘alien’ has the meaning given such term in
13 section 101 of the Immigration and Nationality
14 Act (8 U.S.C. 1101).”.

15 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
16 subsection (a) take effect on the date of the enactment
17 of this Act and apply with respect to any person that en-
18 gages in any of the activities described in paragraph (1)
19 of section 220(c) of the Iran Threat Reduction and Syria
20 Human Rights Act of 2012 on or after such date of enact-
21 ment.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON WAIVER OF SANCTIONS WITH RE-**
2 **SPECT TO THE PROVISION OF SPECIALIZED**
3 **FINANCIAL MESSAGING SERVICES TO THE**
4 **CENTRAL BANK OF IRAN AND OTHER SANC-**
5 **TIONED IRANIAN FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.**

6 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the
7 President, on or after the date of the enactment of this
8 Act, may not waive the requirement to impose sanctions
9 under section 220(c) of the Iran Threat Reduction and
10 Syria Human Rights Act of 2012 (as amended by section
11 1 of this Act).

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