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# S. 4688

To require the designation in the National Security Council of a coordinator for combating foreign kleptocracy and corruption, and for other purposes.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 11 (legislative day, JULY 10), 2024

Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself and Mr. CORNYN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

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## A BILL

To require the designation in the National Security Council of a coordinator for combating foreign kleptocracy and corruption, and for other purposes.

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Counter Kleptocracy  
5 Coordination Act of 2024”.

6 **SEC. 2. COORDINATOR FOR COMBATING FOREIGN**  
7 **KLEPTOCRACY AND CORRUPTION.**

8 Section 101 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50  
9 U.S.C. 3021) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (b)—

2 (A) in paragraph (3), by striking “; and”  
3 and inserting a semicolon;

4 (B) in paragraph (4), by striking the pe-  
5 riod at the end and inserting “; and”; and

6 (C) by adding at the end the following:

7 “(5) assess the national security implications of  
8 foreign corruption and kleptocracy (including stra-  
9 tegic corruption) and coordinate, without assuming  
10 operational authority, the United States Government  
11 efforts to counter foreign corruption and  
12 kleptocracy.”;

13 (2) by redesignating subsection (h) as sub-  
14 section (i); and

15 (3) by inserting after subsection (g) the fol-  
16 lowing:

17 “(h) COORDINATOR FOR COMBATING FOREIGN  
18 KLEPTOCRACY AND CORRUPTION.—

19 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The President shall des-  
20 ignate an officer of the National Security Council to  
21 be responsible for—

22 “(A) the assessment of the national secu-  
23 rity implications of foreign corruption and  
24 kleptocracy (including strategic corruption); and

1           “(B) the coordination of the interagency  
2           process to counter foreign corruption and  
3           kleptocracy.

4           “(2) RESPONSIBILITIES.—In addition to the co-  
5           ordination and assessment described in paragraph  
6           (1), the officer designated pursuant to paragraph (1)  
7           shall be responsible for the following:

8           “(A) Coordinating and deconflicting anti-  
9           corruption and counter-kleptocracy initiatives  
10          across the Federal Government, including those  
11          at the Department of State, the Department of  
12          the Treasury, the Department of Justice, and  
13          the United States Agency for International De-  
14          velopment.

15          “(B) Informing deliberations of the Coun-  
16          cil by highlighting the wide-ranging and desta-  
17          bilizing effects of corruption on a variety of  
18          issues, including drug trafficking, arms traf-  
19          ficking, sanctions evasion, cybercrime, voting  
20          rights and global democracy initiatives, and  
21          other matters of national security concern to  
22          the Council.

23          “(C) Updating, as appropriate, and coordi-  
24          nating the implementation of the United States  
25          strategy on countering corruption.

1           “(3) COORDINATION WITH COORDINATOR FOR  
2           COMBATING MALIGN FOREIGN INFLUENCE OPER-  
3           ATIONS AND CAMPAIGNS.—The officer designated  
4           under paragraph (1) of this subsection shall coordi-  
5           nate with the employee designated under subsection  
6           (g)(1).

7           “(4) LIAISON.—The officer designated under  
8           paragraph (1) shall serve as a liaison, for purposes  
9           of coordination described in such paragraph and  
10          paragraph (2)(A), with the following:

11                   “(A) The Department of State.

12                   “(B) The Department of the Treasury.

13                   “(C) The Department of Justice.

14                   “(D) The intelligence community.

15                   “(E) The United States Agency for Inter-  
16          national Development.

17                   “(F) Any other Federal agency that the  
18          President considers appropriate.

19                   “(G) Good government transparency  
20          groups in civil society.

21          “(5) CONGRESSIONAL BRIEFING.—

22                   “(A) IN GENERAL.—Not less frequently  
23          than once each year, the officer designated pur-  
24          suant to paragraph (1), or the officer’s des-  
25          ignee, shall provide to the congressional com-

1           mittees specified in subparagraph (B) a briefing  
2           on the responsibilities and activities of the offi-  
3           cer designated under this subsection.

4           “(B) COMMITTEES SPECIFIED.—The con-  
5           gressional committees specified in this subpara-  
6           graph are the following:

7                   “(i) The Committee on Foreign Rela-  
8                   tions and the Caucus on International  
9                   Narcotics Control of the Senate.

10                   “(ii) The Committee on Foreign Af-  
11                   fairs of the House of Representatives.”.

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