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To amend title 10, United States Code, to prohibit the appointment or enlistment into the Armed Forces of foreign nationals from certain adversary countries, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. STRONG (for himself, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, and Mr. CRANE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Targeted Restrictions
5 Upholding Service Trustworthiness Act” or “TRUST
6 Act”.

7 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

8 Congress finds the following:

1 (1) The Armed Forces represent the ultimate
2 defense of the United States and the integrity, secu-
3 rity, and undivided loyalty of members of the Armed
4 Forces is paramount to national security.

5 (2) Allowing foreign nationals from countries
6 with interests that are adversary to the United
7 States to serve in the Armed Forces of the United
8 States creates an unacceptable risk of espionage,
9 sabotage, unwarranted foreign influence, and com-
10 promise of sensitive information, technology, and op-
11 erations.

12 (3) The existing process for assessing the loy-
13 alty of foreign nationals, while comprehensive, is in-
14 sufficient to mitigate the inherent and systemic risk
15 posed by individuals with ties to foreign adversary
16 governments.

17 **SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON ENLISTMENT OR APPOINTMENT**
18 **OF FOREIGN NATIONALS FROM FOREIGN AD-**
19 **VERSARIES.**

20 (a) ENLISTMENT.—Section 504 of title 10, United
21 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the fol-
22 lowing new subsection:

23 “(c) NATIONALS OF FOREIGN ADVERSARY COUN-
24 TRIES.—Notwithstanding subsection (b), no person who is

1 a national of a covered nation (as defined in section
2 4872(f) of this title) may be enlisted in an armed force.”.

3 (b) APPOINTMENT.—Section 532(a) of title 10,
4 United States Code, is amended—

5 (1) in paragraph (3), by striking “; and” and
6 inserting a semicolon;

7 (2) by redesignating paragraph (4) as para-
8 graph (5); and

9 (3) by inserting after paragraph (3) the fol-
10 lowing new paragraph:

11 “(4) has not been a national of a covered nation
12 (as defined in section 4872(f) of this title) during
13 the five-year period ending on the date of such ap-
14 pointment; and”.

15 (c) REVIEW OF EXISTING PERSONNEL.—Not later
16 than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act,
17 the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the Committees
18 on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and
19 the Senate a report that—

20 (1) identifies the number of members of the
21 Armed Forces who—

22 (A) are foreign nationals of a covered na-
23 tion (as defined in section 4872(f) of title 10,
24 United States Code); and

1 (B) were lawfully admitted for permanent
2 residence (as defined in section 101(a) of the
3 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
4 1101(a))) on the date of accession to the
5 Armed Forces;

6 (2) identifies the date of accession to the Armed
7 Forces of each member identified in paragraph (1);

8 (3) identifies the number of years of service of
9 each member identified in paragraph (1); and

10 (4) identifies how many members identified in
11 paragraph (1) are in the process of seeking citizen-
12 ship in the United States.

13 (d) APPLICABILITY.—The amendments made by sub-
14 sections (a) and (b) shall apply to the original enlistment
15 or original appointment of a person as a member of the
16 Armed Forces on or after the date that is 180 days after
17 the date of the enactment of this Act.

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