Suspend the Rules and Pass the Bill, H.R. 6475, With an Amendment

(The amendment strikes all after the enacting clause and inserts a new text)

^{117TH CONGRESS} 2D SESSION H.R.6475

To amend the International Financial Institutions Act to instruct certain United States Executive Directors to vote against any assistance to the People's Republic of China unless certain certifications are met, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 25, 2022

Ms. WATERS introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Financial Services

A BILL

- To amend the International Financial Institutions Act to instruct certain United States Executive Directors to vote against any assistance to the People's Republic of China unless certain certifications are met, 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,

1	SECTION	1. U.S. PC	DLICY ON	WORLD	BANK	GROUP	AND
2		ASIAN	DEVELO	PMENT	BANK	LOANS	то
3		CHINA.					

4 Title XVI of the International Financial Institutions
5 Act (22 U.S.C. 262p et seq.) is amended by adding at
6 the end the following:

7 "SEC. 1632. U.S. POLICY ON WORLD BANK GROUP AND
8 ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK LOANS TO
9 CHINA.

10 "(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States Executive Directors at the 11 World Bank Group and the Asian Development Bank to 12 use the voice and vote of the United States at the respec-13 tive institution to vote against any assistance to the Peo-14 ple's Republic of China unless the Secretary of the Treas-15 16 ury has certified to the appropriate congressional committees that— 17

- "(1) the Government of the People's Republic
 of China and any lenders owned or controlled by the
 Government of the People's Republic of China have
 credibly committed—
- 22 "(A) to participate in multilateral debt re23 lief initiatives on terms at least comparable to
 24 other Group of 20 governments;
- 25 "(B) to the practice of presumptive public26 disclosure of the terms and conditions on which

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they extend credit to other governments (without regard to the form of any such extension of credit);

"(C) not to enforce any agreement terms 4 5 that may impair their own or the borrowers' ca-6 pacity fully to implement commitments de-7 scribed under subparagraphs (A) and (B); and 8 "(D) not to enter into any agreement con-9 taining terms that may impair their own or the 10 borrowers' capacity fully to implement commit-11 ments described under subparagraphs (A) and 12 (B); and

"(2) such assistance contributes significantly to
the provision of a global public good that serves the
national interest of the United States, such as limiting the negative impacts of climate change.

17 "(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

18 "(1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT19 TEES.—The term 'appropriate congressional com20 mittees' means the Committee on Financial Services
21 of the House of Representatives and the Committee
22 on Foreign Relations of the Senate.

23 "(2) WORLD BANK GROUP DEFINED.—The
24 term 'World Bank Group' means the International
25 Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the

International Development Association, the Inter national Finance Corporation, and the Multilateral
 Investment Guarantee Agency.".

4 SEC. 2. UNITED STATES POLICY ON WORLD BANK GROUP 5 AND ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK ASSIST6 ANCE TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA. 7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Title XVI of the International Fi8 nancial Institutions Act (22 U.S.C. 262p et seq.), as 9 amended by this Act, is further amended by adding at the 10 end the following:

11 "SEC. 1633. UNITED STATES POLICY ON WORLD BANK
12 GROUP AND ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK AS13 SISTANCE TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF
14 CHINA.

15 "(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States Executive Director at each 16 international financial institution of the World Bank 17 18 Group and at the Asian Development Bank to use the voice and vote of the United States at the respective insti-19 tution to vote against the provision of any loan, extension 20 21 of financial assistance, or technical assistance to the Peo-22 ple's Republic of China unless the Secretary of the Treasury has certified to the appropriate congressional commit-23 24 tees that—

"(1) the Government of the People's Republic
 of China and any lender owned or controlled by the
 Government of the People's Republic of China have
 demonstrated a commitment—

5 "(A) to the rules and principles of the 6 Paris Club, or of other similar coordinated mul-7 tilateral initiatives on debt relief and debt re-8 structuring in which the United States partici-9 pates, including with respect to debt trans-10 parency and appropriate burden-sharing among 11 all creditors;

"(B) to the practice of presumptive public
disclosure of the terms and conditions on which
they extend credit to other governments (without regard to the form of any such extension of
credit);

17 "(C) not to enforce any agreement terms
18 that may impair their own or the borrowers' ca19 pacity fully to implement any commitment de20 scribed in subparagraph (A) or (B); and

"(D) not to enter into any agreement containing terms that may impair their own or the borrowers' capacity fully to implement any commitment described in subparagraph (A) or (B); or

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"(2) the loan or assistance is important to the
 national interest of the United States, as described
 in a detailed explanation by the Secretary to accom pany the certification.

5 "(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

6 "(1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT7 TEES.—The term 'appropriate congressional com8 mittees' means the Committee on Financial Services
9 of the House of Representatives and the Committee
10 on Foreign Relations of the Senate.

"(2) WORLD BANK GROUP DEFINED.—The
term 'World Bank Group' means the International
Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the
International Development Association, the International Finance Corporation, and the Multilateral
Investment Guarantee Agency.".

(b) SUNSET.—The amendment made by subsection(a) is repealed effective on the date that is 7 years afterthe effective date of this section.