

AMENDMENT TO _____
OFFERED BY MR. PFLUGER OF TEXAS

Add at the end the following (and make appropriate technical and conforming amendments):

1 **TITLE II—MIDLAND OVER**
2 **MOSCOW ACT**

3 **SEC. 201. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This title may be cited as the “Midland Over Moscow
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 202. STRATEGY TO STRENGTHEN ENERGY INDEPEND-**
7 **ENCE.**

8 The Secretary of State, in consultation with the Sec-
9 retary of Treasury, the Secretary of Commerce, the Sec-
10 retary of Energy, the Secretary of Defense, and the Sec-
11 retary of the Interior shall, within 180 days, submit to
12 the appropriate congressional committees, a strategy de-
13 tailing the use of diplomatic, financial, and economic
14 means to strengthen United States energy independence,
15 and work with NATO, and other allies and partners, to
16 make countries in the European continent less dependent
17 on Russian oil and gas. The strategy shall have the fol-
18 lowing elements:

1 (1) A description of how the reduction of regu-
2 latory barriers to domestic energy production could
3 assist in these objectives.

4 (2) A description of how economic sanctions can
5 be utilized to counter the Russian Federation's at-
6 tempts to make Europe dependent on Russian oil
7 and gas, including a description on how the Presi-
8 dent will end waivers provided pursuant to the Pro-
9 tecting European Energy Security through Sanc-
10 tions Act (PEESA) in connection with the Nord
11 Stream 2 pipeline.

12 (3) A description of how sanctions on Russia's
13 financial sector, including on multiple major banks
14 and financial systems within the Russian Federa-
15 tion, could be utilized to counter Russia's energy ex-
16 ports to Europe.

17 (4) A description of how the President will use
18 economic sanctions to permanently and irreversibly
19 stop the Nord Stream 2 pipeline, prevent its con-
20 struction, and punish all persons and entities re-
21 sponsible for its attempted construction, operation,
22 or development.

23 (5) A description of how diplomatic efforts
24 could be utilized to bring together our European and

1 NATO allies, including Germany, to permanently
2 and irreversibly stop the Nord Stream 2 pipeline.

3 (6) A description of how Russia's growing rela-
4 tionship with China and Iran in the energy sector ef-
5 fects United States security interests.

6 (7) A description of how the President will end
7 the moratorium on oil and gas leases on public land.

8 (8) A description of how diplomatic efforts
9 could be utilized to promote dialogue within the Eu-
10 ropean Union on their efforts to diversify their nat-
11 ural gas supply through the Southern Gas Corridor.

12 **SEC. 203. IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS RELATED TO NORD**
13 **STREAM 2.**

14 (a) IMPOSITION OF SANCTIONS.—Not later than 10
15 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Presi-
16 dent shall impose sanctions under subsection (b)(1) with
17 respect to—

18 (1) any entity responsible for planning, con-
19 struction, maintenance, technical assistance, engi-
20 neering assistance, financing, or operation of the
21 Nord Stream 2 pipeline or a successor entity; and

22 (2) any other corporate officer of or principal
23 shareholder with a controlling interest in an entity
24 described in paragraph (1).

25 (b) SANCTIONS DESCRIBED.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—The sanctions described in
2 this subsection are the following:

3 (A) BLOCKING OF PROPERTY.—The Presi-
4 dent shall exercise all of the powers granted to
5 the President under the International Emer-
6 gency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 et
7 seq.) to the extent necessary to block and pro-
8 hibit all transactions in property and interests
9 in property of the foreign person if such prop-
10 erty and interests in property are in the United
11 States, come within the United States, or are or
12 come within the possession or control of a
13 United States person.

14 (B) ALIENS INELIGIBLE FOR VISAS, AD-
15 MISSION, OR PAROLE.—

16 (i) VISAS, ADMISSION, OR PAROLE.—
17 An alien who the Secretary of State or the
18 Secretary of Homeland Security (or a des-
19 ignee of one of such Secretaries) knows, or
20 has reason to believe, has knowingly en-
21 gaged in any activity described in sub-
22 section (a) is—

23 (I) inadmissible to the United
24 States;

1 (II) ineligible to receive a visa or
2 other documentation to enter the
3 United States; and

4 (III) otherwise ineligible to be
5 admitted or paroled into the United
6 States or to receive any other benefit
7 under the Immigration and Nation-
8 ality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101 et seq.).

9 (ii) CURRENT VISAS REVOKED.—

10 (I) IN GENERAL.—The issuing
11 consular officer, the Secretary of
12 State, or the Secretary of Homeland
13 Security (or a designee of one of such
14 Secretaries) shall, in accordance with
15 section 221(i) of the Immigration and
16 Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1201(i)),
17 revoke any visa or other entry docu-
18 mentation issued to an alien described
19 in clause (i) regardless of when the
20 visa or other entry documentation is
21 issued.

22 (II) EFFECT OF REVOCATION.—
23 A revocation under subclause (I) shall
24 take effect immediately and shall
25 automatically cancel any other valid

1 visa or entry documentation that is in
2 the alien's possession.

3 (2) EXCEPTIONS.—

4 (A) UNITED NATIONS HEADQUARTERS
5 AGREEMENT.—The sanctions described under
6 paragraph (1)(B) shall not apply with respect
7 to an alien if admitting or paroling the alien
8 into the United States is necessary to permit
9 the United States to comply with the Agree-
10 ment regarding the Headquarters of the United
11 Nations, signed at Lake Success June 26,
12 1947, and entered into force November 21,
13 1947, between the United Nations and the
14 United States, or other applicable international
15 obligations.

16 (B) EXCEPTION FOR INTELLIGENCE, LAW
17 ENFORCEMENT, AND NATIONAL SECURITY AC-
18 TIVITIES.—Sanctions under paragraph (1) shall
19 not apply to any authorized intelligence, law en-
20 forcement, or national security activities of the
21 United States.

22 (C) EXCEPTION RELATING TO IMPORTA-
23 TION OF GOODS.—

24 (i) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding
25 any other provision of this section, the au-

1 thorities and requirements to impose sanc-
2 tions under this section shall not include
3 the authority or a requirement to impose
4 sanctions on the importation of goods.

5 (ii) GOOD DEFINED.—In this subpara-
6 graph, the term “good” means any article,
7 natural or man-made substance, material,
8 supply or manufactured product, including
9 inspection and test equipment, and exclud-
10 ing technical data.

11 (c) PENALTIES.—The penalties provided for in sub-
12 sections (b) and (c) of section 206 of the International
13 Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1705) shall
14 apply to a person that violates, attempts to violate, con-
15 spires to violate, or causes a violation of regulations pro-
16 mulgated to carry out this section or the sanctions im-
17 posed pursuant to this section to the same extent that
18 such penalties apply to a person that commits an unlawful
19 act described in section 206(a) of that Act.

20 (d) IMPLEMENTATION AUTHORITY.—The President
21 may exercise all authorities provided to the President
22 under sections 203 and 205 of the International Emer-
23 gency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1702 and 1704)
24 for purposes of carrying out this section.

1 (e) REGULATORY AUTHORITY.—The President shall,
2 not later than 10 days after the date of the enactment
3 of this Act, promulgate regulations as necessary for the
4 implementation of this section.

5 (f) REPEAL OF NATIONAL INTEREST WAIVER
6 UNDER PROTECTING EUROPE’S ENERGY SECURITY ACT
7 OF 2019.—Section 7503 of the Protecting Europe’s En-
8 ergy Security Act of 2019 (title LXXV of Public Law
9 116–92; 22 U.S.C. 9526 note) is amended—

10 (1) in subsection (a)(1)(C), by striking “sub-
11 section (i)” and inserting “subsection (h)”;

12 (2) by striking subsection (f);

13 (3) by redesignating subsections (g) through (k)
14 as subsections (f) through (j), respectively; and

15 (4) in subsection (i), as redesignated by para-
16 graph (3), by striking “subsection (h)” and inserting
17 “subsection (g)”.

18 **SEC. 204. NATURAL GAS EXPORTS.**

19 (a) FINDING.—Congress finds that expanding nat-
20 ural gas exports will lead to increased investment and de-
21 velopment of domestic supplies of natural gas that will
22 contribute to job growth and economic development.

23 (b) NATURAL GAS EXPORTS.—Section 3(c) of the
24 Natural Gas Act (15 U.S.C. 717b(c)) is amended—

1 (1) by inserting “or any other nation not ex-
2 cluded by this section” after “trade in natural gas”;

3 (2) by striking “(c) For purposes” and insert-
4 ing the following:

5 “(c) EXPEDITED APPLICATION AND APPROVAL
6 PROCESS.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—For purposes”; and

8 (3) by adding at the end the following:

9 “(2) EXCLUSIONS.—

10 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Any nation subject to
11 sanctions or trade restrictions imposed by the
12 United States is excluded from expedited ap-
13 proval under paragraph (1).

14 “(B) DESIGNATION BY PRESIDENT OR
15 CONGRESS.—The President or Congress may
16 designate nations that may be excluded from
17 expedited approval under paragraph (1) for rea-
18 sons of national security.

19 “(3) ORDER NOT REQUIRED.—No order is re-
20 quired under subsection (a) to authorize the export
21 or import of any natural gas to or from Canada or
22 Mexico.”.

