

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5300
OFFERED BY MR. JACKSON OF TEXAS

At the appropriate place in title I, insert the following:

1 SEC. __. AMERICA FIRST OPPORTUNITY FUND.

2 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the
3 Treasury of the United States a fund, to be known as the
4 “America First Opportunity Fund”, (in this section re-
5 ferred to as the “Fund”), from which the Secretary of
6 State is authorized, subject to the requirements under
7 subsection (e), to make available funds for the purposes
8 described in subsection (e).

9 (b) ADMINISTRATION OF FUND.—The Secretary shall
10 direct, oversee, and otherwise exercise responsibility for
11 the use of the Fund, unless otherwise directed by an Act
12 of Congress.

13 (c) PURPOSES.—In order to furnish foreign assist-
14 ance that makes America safer, stronger, and more pros-
15 perous, the Secretary is authorized to make amounts au-
16 thorized to be appropriated available from the Fund for
17 the following:

18 (1) Assistance authorized pursuant to—

1 (A) the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961
2 (22 U.S.C. 2151 et seq.);

3 (B) the Support of Eastern European De-
4 mocracy (SEED) Act of 1989 (22 U.S.C. 5401
5 et seq.);

6 (C) the FREEDOM Support Act (22
7 U.S.C. 5801 et seq.); or

8 (D) any other provision of law.

9 (2) Financial assistance to support sovereign
10 loans, provide grant assistance, make assessments,
11 contributions, or other payments to multilateral or
12 international organizations, or provide any other
13 form of financial foreign assistance otherwise au-
14 thorized by law.

15 (d) AVAILABILITY.—Amounts appropriated to the
16 Fund pursuant to the authorization in this subsection are
17 authorized to remain available until expended.

18 (e) NOTIFICATIONS REQUIRED.—

19 (1) PRIOR NOTICE.—Subject to the availability
20 of appropriations and in addition to any other re-
21 quirements relating to such transfers under any pro-
22 vision of law, no amount may be transferred from
23 the Fund until the date that is 15 days after the
24 date on which the Secretary submits to the Com-
25 mittee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Rep-

1 representatives and the Committee on Foreign Rela-
2 tions of the Senate a notification that includes—

3 (A) an identification of the account to
4 which the amount is to be transferred;

5 (B) the dollar amount to be so transferred;
6 and

7 (C) a description of how the transfer ful-
8 fills one or more of the purposes described in
9 subsection (c).

10 (2) DATABASE.—The Secretary shall establish
11 and maintain a database of all transfers from the
12 Fund that includes, with respect to each transfer,
13 the following information:

14 (A) Each of the elements included in the
15 notification with respect to such transfer sub-
16 mitted pursuant to paragraph (1).

17 (B) The date on which funds were trans-
18 ferred.

19 (C) The title of the Federal official admin-
20 istering the account to which transferred.

21 (3) CLASSIFICATION.—The information con-
22 tained in the database established pursuant to para-
23 graph (2) may be classified to the extent necessary.

24 (4) PUBLICATION.—The Secretary shall publish
25 on a publicly available website of the Department

1 the relevant information from the database described
2 in paragraph (2) with respect to a transfer of
3 amounts from the Fund not later than 30 days after
4 completing the transfer, except for any information
5 that—

6 (A) is classified; or

7 (B) the Secretary of State reasonably be-
8 lieves could compromise—

9 (i) intelligence sources and methods;

10 (ii) criminal investigation or prosecu-
11 tion; or

12 (iii) sensitive diplomatic relations with
13 foreign governments.

14 (5) INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO CONGRESS.—

15 Information omitted from the public database pursu-
16 ant to subparagraphs (A) or (B) of paragraph (3)
17 shall be made available to the Committee on Foreign
18 Affairs of the House of Representatives or the Com-
19 mittee on Foreign Relations of the Senate upon re-
20 quest.

