

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5300
OFFERED BY MR. MILLS OF FLORIDA

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

1 **SEC. __. PROHIBITION OF UNITED STATES PARTICIPATION**
2 **IN THE UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS**
3 **COUNCIL.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
5 sion of law, the United States may not participate in the
6 United Nations Human Rights Council until the Secretary
7 certifies to Congress that the following conditions are met:

8 (1) The Council has permanently removed
9 Agenda item 7 (relating to the Human Rights Situa-
10 tion in Palestine and Other Occupied Arab Terri-
11 tories) from the permanent agenda of the Council.

12 (2) The Council has implemented a periodic re-
13 newal clause to any continuing or newly-created
14 mandate by the Council relating to Israel or Pal-
15 estine similar in scope and timeframe to all other
16 country mandates. The renewal must be applied to
17 the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human
18 rights in the Palestine territories occupied since
19 1967.

1 (3) The United Nations General Assembly has
2 taken substantial steps to revoke or deny member-
3 ship on the Council by any United Nations member
4 nation the government of which the Secretary of
5 State determines—

6 (A) has repeatedly provided support for
7 international terrorism pursuant to—

8 (i) section 1754(c)(1)(A) of the Ex-
9 port Control Reform Act of 2018 (50
10 U.S.C. 4813(c)(1)(A));

11 (ii) section 620A of the Foreign As-
12 sistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2371);

13 (iii) section 40 of the Arms Export
14 Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2780); or

15 (iv) any other provision of law; or

16 (B) engages in or tolerates particularly se-
17 vere violations of religious freedom as described
18 in the International Religious Freedom Act of
19 1998 in that country.

20 (4) The Council and the United Nations Gen-
21 eral Assembly has adopted reforms to ensure integ-
22 rity and competition in the election of members to
23 the Council, which shall include ensuring that—

24 (A) there is at least one more member
25 state candidate in each regional bloc election

1 than there are open seats in that bloc on the
2 Council;

3 (B) a member state candidate must win a
4 two thirds majority in the General Assembly to
5 be elected to the Council;

6 (C) the suspension of a member state from
7 the Council be by a simple majority vote of the
8 General Assembly; and

9 (D) any country which is the focus of a
10 Council country mandate shall not be eligible
11 for election to the Council.

12 (5) The Council has taken substantial steps to
13 protect the identities of victims of human rights
14 abuses and other individuals who have credible infor-
15 mation about such violations who testify before the
16 Council from malign governments who seek to si-
17 lence witnesses speaking out against human rights
18 abuses occurring in a country.

19 (b) PROHIBITION ON FUNDS.—No funds are author-
20 ized to be made available for the participation of the
21 United States in the United Nations Human Rights Coun-
22 cil until the Secretary certifies to Congress that described
23 in paragraphs (1) through (5) of subsection (a) are met.

24 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—Section 408 of the
25 Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 2003

- 1 (22 U.S.C. 287 note) is amended by striking paragraphs
- 2 (1) and (3).

