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Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
2 This Act may be cited as the “Emergency Iron Dome
3 Replenishment Act”.

4 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.
5 Congress finds the following:
6 (1) Since June 12, 2014, the foreign terrorist
7 organization Hamas and other Palestinian extrem-
8 ists have been launching dozens of rockets per day
9 at the State of Israel.
10 (2) Hamas possesses approximately 12,000 mis-
11 siles of assorted ranges that could threaten approxi-
12 mately 40 percent of the Israeli population.
13 (3) Iran has supplied Hamas and other Palest-
14 inian extremists with long-range missiles, capable of
15 hitting Israeli population centers 100 miles away.
16 (4) Hamas rockets are either unguided or have
17 inaccurate guidance systems, making them true
weapons of terror designed only to kill people at random.

(5) Hamas has admitted targeting Israel’s nuclear research reactor at Dimona.

(6) The use of rockets by Hamas against Israeli population centers has been called a war crime.

(7) In March 2014, Israel intercepted the ship Klos-C, which was carrying dozens of long-range rockets, reportedly from Iran to Hamas.

(8) The United States remains committed to Israel’s qualitative military edge, including its advantage over Hamas and other foreign terrorist organizations.

(9) The Israeli Defense Forces report that the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system has achieved a success rate of 90 percent, intercepting rockets bound for civilian population centers, including residential neighborhoods, busy road junctions, shopping centers, and crowded streets.

(10) The recent success of the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system averted massive Israeli casualties.

(11) Supporting Israel’s ability to defend itself against missiles, rockets, and other threats advances the United States’ own vital national security inter-
ests and the cause of Middle Eastern peace and sta-

bility.

(12) The White House said on July 8, 2014,

“No country can accept rocket fire aimed at civilians
and we support Israel’s right to defend itself against
these vicious attacks.”.

(13) In 2012, President Obama called Iron
Dome “critical in terms of providing security and
safety for Israeli families. It is a program that has
been tested and has prevented missile strikes inside
of Israel.”.

SEC. 3. STATEMENT OF POLICY.

It is the policy of the United States to assist in the
defense of Israel by providing Israel all necessary assist-
ance, consistent with the U.S.-Israel Iron Dome Procure-
ment Agreement signed March 5, 2014, specifically for the
production, procurement, maintenance, and sustainment
of the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system.

SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF ASSISTANCE TO ISRAEL FOR
IRON DOME ANTI-MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEM.

The President is authorized to provide all necessary
assistance, upon request by the Government of Israel, for
the production, procurement, maintenance, and
sustainment of the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system,
consistent with the U.S.-Israel Iron Dome Procurement Agreement signed March 5, 2014.

SEC. 5. STRATEGY AND REPORT ON REPLENISHMENT OF IRON DOME ANTI-MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEM.

(a) STRATEGY.—The President shall develop a strategy with respect to the Iron Dome anti-missile defense system, consistent with the U.S.-Israel Iron Dome Procurement Agreement signed March 5, 2014, to include objectives and estimated timelines for production and procurement to replenish and enhance the following:

(1) Iron Dome batteries and interceptors to meet Israel’s military requirements under its current procurement cycle.

(2) Iron Dome interceptors used during the 2014 conflict in Gaza.

(3) Iron Dome interceptors for use in any potential conflict with Hezbollah or other non-state actors.

(4) Iron Dome interceptors for use in any potential conflict with Iran, Syria, or other hostile state actors.

(b) REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the President shall submit to the appropriate congressional com-
mittees a report that contains the strategy required
by subsection (a).

(2) FORM.—The report shall be submitted in
an unclassified form and may include a classified
annex.

(3) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term
“appropriate congressional committees” means—

(A) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and
the Committee on Armed Services of the House
of Representatives; and

(B) the Committee on Foreign Relations
and the Committee on Armed Services of the
Senate.

SEC. 6. IRON DOME ANTI-MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEM DE-
FINED.

In this Act, the term “Iron Dome anti-missile defense
system” or “Iron Dome” means the anti-missile defense
system established for purposes of intercepting short-
range missiles, rockets, and projectiles launched against
Israel.