

**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 260
OFFERED BY MR. MEEKS OF NEW YORK**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 **SECTION 1. STRATEGY TO OPPOSE FINANCIAL OR MATE-**
2 **RIAL SUPPORT BY FOREIGN COUNTRIES TO**
3 **THE TALIBAN.**

4 (a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the
5 United States to oppose the provision of financial or mate-
6 rial support by foreign countries to the Taliban that is
7 inconsistent with United States law or policy.

8 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date
9 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall
10 submit to the appropriate congressional committees a re-
11 port identifying, to the maximum extent possible—

12 (1) foreign countries that have provided finan-
13 cial or material support to the Taliban since Sep-
14 tember 1, 2021, that is inconsistent with United
15 States law or policy, including—

16 (A) the amount of United States-provided
17 foreign assistance each country receives, if any;

1 (B) the amount of financial or material
2 support each country has provided to the
3 Taliban; and

4 (C) a description of how the Taliban has
5 utilized such financial or material support; and

6 (2) efforts the United States has taken since
7 September 1, 2021, to oppose foreign countries from
8 providing financial or material support to the
9 Taliban if doing so is inconsistent with United
10 States law or policy.

11 (c) STRATEGY AND REPORTS.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
13 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
14 retary of State shall develop a strategy to discourage
15 foreign countries from providing financial or mate-
16 rial support to the Taliban that is inconsistent with
17 United States law or policy.

18 (2) REPORTS.—

19 (A) INITIAL REPORT.—Not later than the
20 date on which the strategy required by para-
21 graph (1) is completed, the Secretary of State
22 shall submit to the appropriate congressional
23 committees a report detailing the strategy and
24 a plan for its implementation.

25 (B) SUBSEQUENT REPORTS.—

1 (i) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180
2 days after the date on which the strategy
3 required by paragraph (1) is completed,
4 and annually thereafter for 5 years, the
5 Secretary of State shall submit to the ap-
6 propriate congressional committees a re-
7 port on the implementation of the strategy,
8 including the impact of the strategy in dis-
9 couraging foreign countries from providing
10 financial or material support to the
11 Taliban that is inconsistent with United
12 States law or policy.

13 (ii) FORM.—The report required by
14 this subparagraph shall be submitted in
15 unclassified form, but may contain a clas-
16 sified annex if necessary.

17 (d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES
18 DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate con-
19 gressional committees” means—

20 (1) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the
21 Committee on Appropriations of the House of Rep-
22 resentatives; and

23 (2) the Committee on Foreign Relations and
24 the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate.

1 **SEC. 2. REPORT ON DIRECT CASH ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS**
2 **IN AFGHANISTAN.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the United
4 States Agency for International Development, in consulta-
5 tion with the Secretary of State, shall submit to the appro-
6 priate congressional committees a report on United States
7 Government-funded direct cash assistance programs in Af-
8 ghanistan during the period beginning on August 1, 2021,
9 and ending on the date that is 30 days after the date of
10 enactment of this Act. The report shall be submitted in
11 conjunction with the submission of the Fiscal Year 2023
12 Annual Financial Report of the United States Agency for
13 International Development.

14 (b) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The report re-
15 quired by subsection (a) shall, with respect to such direct
16 cash assistance programs, include—

17 (1) a description of method of payments;

18 (2) a description of how and where currency ex-
19 changes occur;

20 (3) a description of if and how hawalas are
21 used and the oversight mechanisms in place regard-
22 ing use of hawalas to transfer funds in United
23 States Government funded direct cash assistance
24 programs in Afghanistan; and

1 (4) a description of safeguards, including over-
2 sight processes, to prevent the Taliban from access-
3 ing cash assistance under such programs.

4 (c) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-
5 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congres-
6 sional committees” means—

7 (1) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the
8 Committee on Appropriations of the House of Rep-
9 resentatives; and

10 (2) the Committee on Foreign Relations and
11 the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate.

12 **SEC. 3. REPORT ON STATUS OF AFGHAN FUND.**

13 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
14 date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter,
15 the Secretary of State shall submit to the appropriate con-
16 gressional committees a report on the status of the Afghan
17 Fund.

18 (b) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The report re-
19 quired by subsection (a) shall include, to the maximum
20 extent possible—

21 (1) a description of the Taliban’s influence over
22 Da Afghanistan Bank, including a list of Taliban
23 members employed by such Bank or serving on its
24 board of directors;

1 (2) a description of the Afghan Fund’s board of
2 trustees, including the process for vetting and selec-
3 tion of trustees;

4 (3) the conditions necessary for the United
5 States Government to support disbursements from
6 the Afghan Fund to Da Afghanistan Bank;

7 (4) how the Afghan Fund’s board of trustees
8 determines the Fund’s activities, including what
9 kind of information will inform the board’s decisions,
10 and how the board will collect and verify this infor-
11 mation; and

12 (5) a description of what controls have been put
13 into place to ensure funds and disbursements are
14 not diverted to or misused by the Taliban.

15 (c) SUNSET.—This section shall terminate on the
16 date that all disbursements from the Afghan Fund have
17 been made.

18 (d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES
19 DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate con-
20 gressional committees” means—

21 (1) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the
22 Committee on Financial Services of the House of
23 Representatives; and

1 (2) the Committee on Foreign Relations and
2 the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Af-
3 fairs of the Senate.

