

116TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 596

AN ACT

To prohibit United States Government recognition of the Russian Federation's claim of sovereignty over Crimea, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Crimea Annexation
3 Non-recognition Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION AGAINST UNITED STATES RECOGNI-**
5 **TION OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION’S CLAIM**
6 **OF SOVEREIGNTY OVER CRIMEA.**

7 (a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the
8 United States not to recognize the Russian Federation’s
9 claim of sovereignty over Crimea, its airspace, or its terri-
10 torial waters.

11 (b) PROHIBITION.—In accordance with subsection
12 (a), no Federal department or agency may take any action
13 or extend any assistance that implies recognition of the
14 Russian Federation’s claim of sovereignty over Crimea, its
15 airspace, or its territorial waters.

16 (c) WAIVER.—The President may waive the prohibi-
17 tion in subsection (b) on a case-by-case basis if the Presi-
18 dent determines that it is vital to the national security
19 interests of the United States to do so.

Passed the House of Representatives March 12,
2019.

Attest:

Clerk.

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