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H. R. 7982

To reject the People’s Republic of China’s claims concerning certain islands and territories in the East and South China Seas.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PERRY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Promoting United
5 States Hegemony By Attacking China’s Kleptomania Act”
6 or the “PUSHBACK Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REJECTION OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHI-**
2 **NA'S CLAIMS CONCERNING CERTAIN ISLANDS**
3 **AND TERRITORIES IN THE EAST AND SOUTH**
4 **CHINA SEAS.**

5 (a) REJECTION OF CLAIMS.—The United States
6 hereby rejects the People's Republic of China's claims con-
7 cerning certain islands and territories in the East and
8 South China Seas, to include the following:

9 (1) The Senkaku Islands.

10 (2) The Spratly Islands.

11 (3) Scarborough Shoal.

12 (4) The Paracel Islands.

13 (5) All other disputed islands and territories in
14 the East and South China Seas.

15 (b) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-
16 tion may be construed to—

17 (1) resolve any claims made by any country, ex-
18 cept for the People's Republic of China, prior to the
19 date of the enactment of this section; and

20 (2) impact claims made by the Republic of
21 China concerning islands and territories described in
22 subsection (a).

23 (c) SUPPORT FOR FREEDOM OF NAVIGATION OPER-
24 ATIONS.—It is the policy of the United States to support
25 efforts to increase the number of freedom of navigation
26 operations conducted by the United States Navy with al-

1 lies of the United States in the East and South China

2 Seas.

