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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. SCOTT of Florida introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

- To prohibit securities investments that finance certain companies of the People's Republic of China and to expand the Non-Specially Designated Nationals Chinese Military-Industrial Complex Companies List of the Office of Foreign Assets Control, 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,

3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Sanction Transactions
- 5 Originating from Pernicious Chinese Companies and Poli-
- 6 cies Act of 2023" or the "STOP CCP Act of 2023".

1 SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

2 In this Act:

3	(1) CHINESE ENTITY.—The term "Chinese en-
4	tity" means an entity organized under the laws of
5	the People's Republic of China or otherwise subject
6	to the jurisdiction of the Government of the People's
7	Republic of China.
8	(2) Publicly traded securities.—The term
9	"publicly traded securities" includes—
10	(A) any security (as defined in section 3(a)
11	of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15
12	U.S.C. 78c(a))) denominated in any currency
13	that trades on a securities exchange, or through
14	the method of trading that is commonly re-
15	ferred to as "over-the-counter", in any jurisdic-
16	tion; and
17	(B) any security that is derivative of or de-
18	signed to provide investment exposure to a se-
19	curity described in subparagraph (A).
20	(3) UNITED STATES PERSON.—The term
21	"United States person" means—
22	(A) an individual who is a United States
23	citizen or an alien lawfully admitted for perma-
24	nent residence to the United States;
25	(B) an entity organized under the laws of
26	the United States or any jurisdiction within the

United States, including a foreign branch of
such an entity; or
(C) any person in the United States.
SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON SECURITIES INVESTMENTS THAT
FINANCE CERTAIN COMPANIES OF THE PEO-
PLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.
The following activities by a United States person are
prohibited:
(1) The purchase or sale of any publicly traded
securities, or any publicly traded securities that are
derivative of such securities or are designed to pro-
vide investment exposure to such securities, issued
by any person determined by the Secretary of the
Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of
State, and, as the Secretary of the Treasury deems
appropriate, the Secretary of Defense—
(A) to operate or have operated in the de-
fense and related materiel sector or the surveil-
lance technology sector of the economy of the
People's Republic of China; or
(B) to own or control, or to be owned or
controlled by, directly or indirectly, a person de-
scribed in subparagraph (A).
(2) The execution, support, or servicing of a
purchase or sale described in paragraph (1).

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1 (3) Any transaction that evades or avoids, has 2 the purpose of evading or avoiding, causes a viola-3 tion of, or attempts to violate the prohibition under 4 paragraph (1). 5 (4) Any conspiracy formed to violate the prohi-6 bition under paragraph (1). 7 SEC. 4. EXPANSION OF NON-SPECIALLY DESIGNATED NA-8 TIONALS **CHINESE** MILITARY-INDUSTRIAL 9 **COMPLEX COMPANIES LIST.** 10 Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-11 ment of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury shall pre-12 scribe regulations to expand the Non-Specially Designated

14 List (commonly referred to as the "NS-CMIC List") of
15 the Office of Foreign Assets Control to include—
16 (1) any entity engaged in supporting the Chi-

Nationals Chinese Military-Industrial Complex Companies

10 (1) any entry engaged in supporting the On17 nese military-industrial complex;

18 (2) any entity that is owned or controlled by an19 entity described in paragraph (1);

(3) any entity that is formed from a spin-off,
merger or acquisition, or sale of a business unit involving an entity described in paragraph (1) or is
otherwise a successor to such an entity; and

24 (4) any entity that provides financial services
25 for an entity described in paragraph (1), (2), or (3).

1 SEC. 5. CLOSING SANCTIONS LOOPHOLES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—If sanctions are imposed with re3 spect to a Chinese entity under any statute or executive
4 order described in subsection (b), sanctions shall be im5 posed with respect to the Chinese entity under each other
6 applicable statute and executive order described in sub7 section (b) unless—

8 (1) the President waives the imposition of such9 sanctions; or

10 (2) a waiver provided for under such other stat-11 ute or executive order applies.

(b) STATUTES AND EXECUTIVE ORDERS DESCRIBED.—A statute or executive order described in this
subsection is a statute or executive order that provides for
the imposition of sanctions.

16 (c) NATIONAL SECURITY WAIVER.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The President may waive
the application of any sanction imposed with respect
to any person under subsection (a) if the President
determines and certifies to Congress that such a
waiver is important to the national security interests
of the United States.

(2) NOTIFICATION OF AND REPORT TO CONGRESS.—If the President decides to exercise the
waiver authority provided under paragraph (1), the

1	President shall, not less than 20 days before the
2	waiver takes effect, submit to Congress a report—
3	(A) notifying Congress of the decision to
4	exercise the waiver authority; and
5	(B) fully articulating the rationale and cir-
6	cumstances that led to the decision.
7	(d) Termination of Sanctions To Be Reported
8	TO CONGRESS.—Not later than 20 days after the termi-
9	nation of any sanction under subsection (a), the President
10	shall promptly submit to Congress a report on that termi-
11	nation and the reasons for the termination.