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99TH CONGRESS
2ND SESSION

H. R. 4329

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. FASCELL (for himself,) introduced
the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on

A BILL

To authorize United States contributions to the International
Fund established pursuant to the November 15, 1985, agreement
between the United Kingdom and Ireland.

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

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

2 This Act may be cited as the ``Peace, Stability, and
3 Reconciliation in Ireland and Northern Ireland Act of 1986``.

4 SEC. 2. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE.

5 (a) FINDINGS.--The Congress--

6 (1) finds that the agreement signed by the United
7 Kingdom and Ireland on November 15, 1985, is a clear
8 demonstration of British and Irish determination to make
9 progress concerning the complex situation in Northern
10 Ireland;

11 (2) reaffirms the support for the Anglo-Irish
12 Agreement which it expressed through the adoption of
13 House Concurrent Resolution 239 in December 1985;

14 (3) is particularly encouraged that these two
15 neighbors, longstanding friends of the United States,
16 have joined together to promote the economic and social
17 development of those areas in Ireland and Northern
18 Ireland which have suffered most severely from the
19 consequences of violence in recent years; and

20 (4) believes that, in recognition of our ties of
21 kinship, history, and commitment to democratic values,
22 the United States should participate in this renewed
23 commitment to social and economic progress in Northern
24 Ireland and affected areas of the Ireland.

25 (b) PURPOSES.--It is, therefore, the purpose of this Act

1 to provide for United States contributions in support of the
2 Anglo-Irish Agreement, such contributions to consist of not
3 less than \$250,000,000 in economic support fund assistance
4 for payment to the International Fund established pursuant to
5 the Anglo-Irish Agreement, as well as other assistance to
6 serve as an incentive for economic development and
7 reconciliation in Ireland and Northern Ireland. The purpose
8 of these United States contributions shall be to support the
9 Anglo-Irish Agreement in promoting reconciliation in Northern
10 Ireland and the establishment of a society in Northern
11 Ireland in which all may live in peace, free from
12 discrimination, terrorism, and intolerance, and with the
13 opportunity for both communities to participate fully in the
14 structures and processes of government.

15 **SEC. 3. UNITED STATES CONTRIBUTIONS.**

16 (a) **ECONOMIC SUPPORT FUND ASSISTANCE.**--Of the amounts
17 authorized to be appropriated for each of the fiscal years
18 1986 through 1990 to carry out chapter 4 of part II of the
19 Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, not less than \$50,000,000
20 shall be used for a United States contribution to the
21 International Fund. For the fiscal years 1986 and 1987 funds
22 previously authorized to be appropriated to carry out that
23 chapter for those years shall be used for this contribution.
24 To carry out this subsection, there are authorized to be
25 appropriated to carry out that chapter (in addition to

1 amounts otherwise authorized to be appropriated) \$50,000,000
2 for each of the fiscal years 1988 through 1990, which amounts
3 are authorized to remain available until expended.

4 (b) OTHER ASSISTANCE.--The following authorities may also
5 be used for United States programs in Ireland and Northern
6 Ireland in support of the Anglo-Irish Agreement:

7 (1) Section 108 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961
8 (relating to the Private Sector Revolving Fund).

9 (2) Title IV of chapter 2 of part I of that Act
10 (relating to the Overseas Private Investment
11 Corporation), without regard to paragraph (2) of the
12 second undesignated paragraph of section 231 of that Act.

13 (3) Section 661 of that Act (relating to the Trade
14 and Development Program).

15 **SEC. 4. CONDITIONS AND UNDERSTANDINGS RELATING TO THE UNITED**
16 **STATES CONTRIBUTIONS.**

17 (a) PROMOTING ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL RECONSTRUCTION AND
18 DEVELOPMENT.--The United States contributions provided for in
19 this Act may be used only to support and promote economic and
20 social reconstruction and redevelopment in Ireland and
21 Northern Ireland. The restrictions contained in sections
22 531(e) and 660(a) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 apply
23 with respect to any such contributions.

24 (b) UNITED STATES REPRESENTATION ON THE BOARD OF THE
25 FUND.--The President shall make every effort, in consultation

1 with the Government of the United Kingdom and the Government
2 of Ireland, to ensure that there is United States
3 representation on the Board of the International Fund.

4 (c) PRIOR CERTIFICATIONS.--Each fiscal year, the United
5 States may make contributions to the International Fund only
6 if the President certifies to the Congress that he is
7 satisfied that--

8 (1) the Board of the Fund, as a whole, is broadly
9 representative of the interests of the communities in
10 Ireland and Northern Ireland; and

11 (2) disbursements from the Fund--

12 (A) will be distributed in accordance with the
13 principle of equality of opportunity and
14 nondiscrimination in employment, without regard to
15 religious affiliation; and

16 (B) will address the needs of both communities in
17 Northern Ireland.

18 Each such certification shall include a detailed explanation
19 of the basis for the President's decision.

20 **SEC. 5. ANNUAL REPORTS.**

21 At the end of each fiscal year in which the United States
22 Government makes contributions to the International Fund, the
23 President shall report to the Congress on the degree to
24 which--

25 (1) the Fund has contributed to reconciliation

1 between the communities in Northern Ireland;

2 (2) the United States contribution to the Fund is
3 meeting its objectives of encouraging new investment, job
4 creation, and economic reconstruction on the basis of
5 strict equality of opportunity; and

6 (3) the Fund has increased respect for the human
7 rights and fundamental freedoms of all people in Northern
8 Ireland.

9 SEC. 6. REQUIREMENTS RELATING TO FUNDS FOR ``INTERNATIONAL
10 ORGANIZATIONS AND CONFERENCES``.

11 (a) DISBURSEMENTS, AUDITS, AND REPORTS.--The provisions
12 relating to disbursement on vouchers, audits, and submission
13 of reports with respect to expenditures pursuant to the Joint
14 Resolution of July 11, 1956 (Public Law 689), shall also
15 apply with respect to expenditures pursuant to section 109(c)
16 of the Act of November 22, 1983 (Public Law 98-164).

17 (b) FUNDS SUBJECT TO REQUIREMENTS.--That section is
18 amended--

19 (1) by striking out ``In addition to`` and inserting
20 in lieu thereof ``Of``;

21 (2) by striking out ``by section 102(2)`` and all
22 that follows through ``1985`` and inserting in lieu
23 thereof ``for each fiscal year``;

24 (3) by inserting ``may be used`` before ``for
25 expenses``; and

1 (4) by striking out all that follows ``participation
2 in`` through ``such as``.

3 **SEC. 7. DEFINITIONS.**

4 As used in this Act--

5 (1) the term ``Anglo-Irish Agreement`` means the
6 Agreement Between the Government of Ireland and the
7 Government of the United Kingdom dated November 15, 1985;
8 and

9 (2) the term ``International Fund`` means the
10 international fund for economic development projects in
11 Northern Ireland and Ireland, established pursuant to
12 Article 10 of the Anglo-Irish Agreement.