

Calendar No. 949

110TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION**S. 3052****[Report No. 110-451]**

To provide for the transfer of naval vessels to certain foreign recipients.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 22, 2008

Mr. BIDEN (for himself and Mr. LUGAR) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

SEPTEMBER 10, 2008

Reported by Mr. DODD, without amendment

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 “Naval Vessel Transfer
5 Act of 2008”.

1 **SEC. 2. TRANSFER OF NAVAL VESSELS TO CERTAIN FOR-**
2 **EIGN RECIPIENTS.**

3 (a) TRANSFERS BY GRANT.—The President is au-
4 thorized to transfer vessels to foreign recipients on a grant
5 basis under section 516 of the Foreign Assistance Act of
6 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2321j), as follows:

7 (1) PAKISTAN.—To the Government of Paki-
8 stan, the OLIVER HAZARD PERRY class guided
9 missile frigate MCINERNEY (FFG-8).

10 (2) GREECE.—To the Government of Greece,
11 the OSPREY class minehunter coastal ships OS-
12 PREY (MHC-51) and ROBIN (MHC-54).

13 (3) CHILE.—To the Government of Chile, the
14 KAISER class oiler ANDREW J. HIGGINS (AO-
15 190).

16 (4) PERU.—To the Government of Peru, the
17 NEWPORT class amphibious tank landing ships
18 FRESNO (LST-1182) and RACINE (LST-1191).

19 (b) GRANTS NOT COUNTED IN ANNUAL TOTAL OF
20 TRANSFERRED EXCESS DEFENSE ARTICLES.—The value
21 of a vessel transferred to a recipient on a grant basis pur-
22 suant to authority provided by subsection (a) shall not be
23 counted against the aggregate value of excess defense arti-
24 cles transferred in any fiscal year under section 516 of
25 the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2321j).

1 (c) COSTS OF TRANSFERS.—Any expense incurred by
2 the United States in connection with a transfer authorized
3 by this section shall be charged to the recipient (notwith-
4 standing section 516(e) of the Foreign Assistance Act of
5 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2321j(e))).

6 (d) REPAIR AND REFURBISHMENT IN UNITED
7 STATES SHIPYARDS.—To the maximum extent prac-
8 ticable, the President shall require, as a condition of the
9 transfer of a vessel under this section, that the recipient
10 to which the vessel is transferred have such repair or re-
11 furbishment of the vessel as is needed, before the vessel
12 joins the naval forces of the recipient, performed at a ship-
13 yard located in the United States, including a United
14 States Navy shipyard.

15 (e) EXPIRATION OF AUTHORITY.—The authority to
16 transfer a vessel under this section shall expire at the end
17 of the 2-year period beginning on the date of the enact-
18 ment of this Act.

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