

Administration of Donald J. Trump, 2018

Statement on Signing the Iraq and Syria Genocide Relief and Accountability Act of 2018

December 11, 2018

Today, I have signed into law H.R. 390, the "Iraq and Syria Genocide Emergency Relief and Accountability Act of 2018" (the "Act"). Sections 4, 5, and 6 of the Act purport to require the executive branch to adopt a particular foreign policy or direct certain negotiations with foreign persons and entities. My Administration will treat these provisions in a manner consistent with the President's exclusive constitutional authorities in the area of foreign relations. In addition, section 7 of the Act purports to require the Secretary of State to make certain legislative recommendations. My Administration will treat this provision in a manner consistent with Article II, section 3 of the Constitution, which provides the President the discretion to recommend for the consideration of the Congress only "such measures as he shall judge necessary and expedient."

DONALD J. TRUMP

The White House,
December 11, 2018.

NOTE: H.R. 390, approved December 11, was assigned Public Law No. 115–300.

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