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To Properly Regulate Security Companies within the
United States of America

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
UNITED STATES

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Representative 103315 from the great state of Michigan
for himself has introduced the following Resolution;
which shall be read on the House floor and referred to
the appropriate committee.

AN ACT

**To Regulate Security Companies within the United
States of America**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives
of the United States in Congress Assembled.*

SEC. 1—SHORT TITLE

- (a) This piece of legislation shall be referred to as
“**H. R. 69**” or as “**Security Company
Regulations Act**”

SEC. 2—GENERAL PROVISIONS

- (a) Any part of any act, joint resolution, memorandum or codified law that conflicts with this act shall be deemed null and void.
- (b) This act shall be servable, in which, if any provision of this act is found unconstitutional the rest of the act shall be in full effect unless also found unconstitutional.
- (c) This act shall go into effect immediately upon its passage and signage.

SEC. 3 GENERAL PURPOSE

- (a) The purpose of this Act is to regulate and oversee the operations of international security companies to ensure compliance with United States laws and regulations.

SEC. 4 PERMIT REQUIREMENT

- (a) A committee shall be established within the Department of State called the “International Operations Committee or (IOC)”
- (b) The committee shall be chaired by an individual appointed by the President of the United States and shall include one representative each from the Department of Justice, the Department of Homeland Security, and the Department of State. The Secretary of State shall have the authority to remove any committee member, bar the Chairman.
- (c) The committee shall establish an application process in which Security Companies or Agencies registered with the Department of Commerce and seeking the ability to operate internationally, shall have the ability to apply for an international operation permit.
- (d) The committee shall establish a publicly accessible registry outlining the rules and regulations that security companies or agencies

must comply with to qualify for and maintain an operating permit

- (e) Security Companies or Agencies operating internationally shall adhere to a strict ethical code of conduct, which shall be established by the committee and made publicly available.
- (f) No international security company shall operate within or from the United States without first obtaining a permit from the Committee.
- (g) The committee under the Department of State shall have the ability to revoke or deny a permit for any individual Security Company or Agency whom is deemed to fail to meet the guidelines set forth in this Act or in the committee Regulations.

SEC. 5 PERMIT REQUIREMENT

- (a) Security Companies or Agencies operating internationally shall be required to renew their operating permit every 2 calendar months.

SEC. 6 MONTHLY INSPECTIONS

- (a) The committee at the behest of the Attorney General, Secretary of Commerce, or the Secretary of State may open an inspection into any Security Company registered for an international operation permit with the committee.
- (b) The committee shall conduct no more than one inspection per calendar month. If a security company or agency deems an inspection to be unwarranted, it may file an appeal with the committee, and the inspection will be suspended pending the outcome of the appeal.
- (c) The committee shall establish guidelines for inspections and shall have the authority to request and review any documents, records, or information deemed necessary to determine compliance with US law and regulations.

- (d) Any international security company found to be in violation of U.S. laws or regulations during an inspection shall be subject to penalties as prescribed by law alongside a revocation of the International Operation Permit.

SEC. 7 REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

- (a) Employ U.S. citizens or lawful permanent residents for at least 75% of their workforce.
- (b) Maintain a physical office or headquarters within the United States.
- (c) Conduct background checks on all employees and contractors in accordance with U.S. laws.
- (d) Adhere to all applicable U.S. labor and employment laws.
- (e) Submit quarterly reports to the DoS detailing their operations, personnel, and activities.
- (f) Submit to the Committee detailed operational reports for each conducted operation.

SEC. 8 DISCLOSURE OF FOREIGN AFFILIATIONS

- (a) Security Companies or Agencies operating internationally shall disclose any affiliations, partnerships, or business relationships with foreign entities, governments, or organizations.
- (b) Any company found to be in violation of disclosure, shall be in violation of Federal Law and shall be punished up to:
 - (i) Up to 4 day imprisonment;
 - (ii) A fine, not to exceed, 15,000 U.S.D. per violation;
 - (iii) Revocation of their security permit; and
 - (iv) A permanent blacklist of any business license not to exceed 6 calendar months.

SEC. 9 PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF RECORDS

- (a) The Department of State Committee shall maintain a publicly accessible database listing all Security Companies or Agencies operating internationally that have been found to be in

violation of this Act or any other U.S. laws or regulations.

- (b) The database shall include the nature of the violation, the penalty imposed, and any corrective actions taken by the company.
- (c) The database shall include the name of all Security Companies or Agencies registered to operate internationally.

SEC. 10 COMPLAINTS

- (a) The committee shall establish and oversee a formal mechanism for receiving and managing complaints from the general public.
- (b) The Committee shall review and investigate all complaints and disputes and shall have the authority to mediate, adjudicate, or impose sanctions as necessary.

SEC. 11 PENALTIES

- (a) Any international security company operating without a permit from the Department of State committee shall be subject to civil penalties, including fines (not reaching over 10,000) and revocation of the permit.
- (b) Any international security company found to be in violation of U.S. laws or regulations during an inspection by the committee shall be subject to civil and criminal penalties, including fines, imprisonment, or both, as prescribed by law.
- (c) Any international security company that fails to comply with the regulatory requirements set forth in Section 5 shall be subject to civil and criminal penalties, including fines, imprisonment, or both, as prescribed by law.

SEC. 12 REPORTING

- (a) The Department of State Committee shall submit an annual report to Congress detailing the implementation and enforcement of this

Act, including the number of permits issued, inspections conducted, violations found, and penalties imposed.

SEC. 13 – DEFINITIONS

- (a) Any executive department shall be known as:
 - (i) Department of Justice (DOJ);
 - (ii) Department of State (DOS);
 - (iii) Department of Commerce and Labor (DOCAL); and
 - (iv) Any other department that is under and or conjunction with the Executive Branch of the United States of America
- (b) Att’y Gen. shall be the Chief Officer of the United States and head of the Department of Justice
- (c) Security Companies, or corporations, shall be known as any business that is licensed and operating within the jurisdiction of the United States Government or any entity that is allowed to operate internationally by any other recognized business regulatory agencies by other nations with a treaty or other previously entered agreement with the United States.
- (d) International Entities shall be known as foreign Nations allied with the United States of America or entities operating under the United Nations.