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Purpose: To prohibit the nomination of certain countries as program countries for purposes of the visa waiver program.


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To provide for certain authorities of the Department of State, and for other purposes.

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. VAN HOLLEN

Viz:

1  At the end of title VII, add the following:

2  SEC. 7. PROHIBITION ON NOMINATION OF CERTAIN COUNTRIES AS PROGRAM COUNTRIES FOR PURPOSES OF THE VISA WAIVER PROGRAM.

3  The Secretary of State may not nominate a country for purposes of the visa waiver program under section 217 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1187) if such country subjects any citizen of the United States to separate entry rules or visa regulations, or otherwise discriminates against a citizen of the United States, on the basis of such United States citizen’s race, religion, eth-
nicity, national origin, or membership in any other protected class recognized by United States law.