

113TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5029

AN ACT

To provide for the establishment of a body to identify and coordinate international science and technology cooperation that can strengthen the domestic science and technology enterprise and support United States foreign policy goals.

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

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “International Science
3 and Technology Cooperation Act of 2014”.

4 **SEC. 2. COORDINATION OF INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE AND**
5 **TECHNOLOGY PARTNERSHIPS.**

6 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Director of the Office of
7 Science and Technology Policy shall establish a body
8 under the National Science and Technology Council with
9 the responsibility to identify and coordinate international
10 science and technology cooperation that can strengthen
11 the United States science and technology enterprise, im-
12 prove economic and national security, and support United
13 States foreign policy goals.

14 (b) NSTC BODY LEADERSHIP.—The body estab-
15 lished under subsection (a) shall be co-chaired by senior
16 level officials from the Office of Science and Technology
17 Policy and the Department of State.

18 (c) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The body established under
19 subsection (a) shall—

20 (1) coordinate interagency international science
21 and technology cooperative research and training ac-
22 tivities and partnerships supported or managed by
23 Federal agencies and work with other National
24 Science and Technology Council committees to help
25 plan and coordinate the international component of
26 national science and technology priorities;

1 (2) establish Federal priorities and policies for
2 aligning, as appropriate, international science and
3 technology cooperative research and training activi-
4 ties and partnerships supported or managed by Fed-
5 eral agencies with the foreign policy goals of the
6 United States;

7 (3) identify opportunities for new international
8 science and technology cooperative research and
9 training partnerships that advance both the science
10 and technology and the foreign policy priorities of
11 the United States;

12 (4) in carrying out paragraph (3), solicit input
13 and recommendations from non-Federal science and
14 technology stakeholders, including universities, sci-
15 entific and professional societies, industry, and rel-
16 evant organizations and institutions; and

17 (5) identify broad issues that influence the abil-
18 ity of United States scientists and engineers to col-
19 laborate with foreign counterparts, including bar-
20 riers to collaboration and access to scientific infor-
21 mation.

22 (d) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—The Director of the Of-
23 fice of Science and Technology Policy shall transmit a re-
24 port, to be updated annually, to the Committee on Science,
25 Space, and Technology and the Committee on Foreign Af-

1 fairs of the House of Representatives, and to the Com-
2 mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the
3 Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate. The report
4 shall also be made available to the public on the reporting
5 agency's website. The report shall contain a description
6 of—

7 (1) the priorities and policies established under
8 subsection (c)(2);

9 (2) the ongoing and new partnerships estab-
10 lished since the last update to the report;

11 (3) the means by which stakeholder input was
12 received, as well as summary views of stakeholder
13 input; and

14 (4) the issues influencing the ability of United
15 States scientists and engineers to collaborate with
16 foreign counterparts.

Passed the House of Representatives July 14, 2014.

Attest:

Clerk.

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