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AMENDMENT NO.

Purpose: To require the reprogramming of certain withheld assistance for the provision of humanitarian assistance through nongovernmental organizations.

## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES-115th Cong., 1st Sess.

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To condition assistance to the West Bank and Gaza on steps by the Palestinian Authority to end violence and terrorism against Israeli citizens and United States Citizens.

Referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_\_ and ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. MERKLEY Viz:

1 On page 4, strike line 20 and insert the following: 2 (c) USE OF CERTAIN WITHHELD FUNDS.—Amounts 3 withheld under subsection (a) that were allocated for purposes other than paying down the Palestinian Authority's 4 5 debts to Israeli utility companies shall be reprogrammed by the Department of State for assistance, through non-6 7 governmental organizations, to support humanitarian 8 services for the Palestinian people in the West Bank and 9 Gaza, including efforts that support vaccinations for chil-10 dren, education, and water and sanitation.

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