

Sec. 7045. *Western Hemisphere (Modified)*

United States Engagement in Central America.—Subsection (a) provides a framework for United States assistance to implement the United States Strategy for Engagement in Central America (the Strategy) in support of the Plan of the Alliance for Prosperity in the Northern Triangle of Central America (the Plan). The Act provides up to \$750,000,000 for the Strategy, which is allocated according to the following table:

UNITED STATES STRATEGY FOR ENGAGEMENT IN CENTRAL AMERICA
[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Country/Program	Budget Authority
Development Assistance	
El Salvador	65,000
Guatemala	112,000
Honduras	93,000
Nicaragua	10,000
USAID Central America Regional	19,410
Subtotal	299,410
Economic Support Fund	
Central America Regional Security Initiative	126,500
Other Regional-Economic Opportunity	7,000
Other Regional-Prosperity and Governance	50,000
Subtotal	183,500
Foreign Military Financing Program	
Belize	1,000
Costa Rica	1,400
El Salvador	1,900
Guatemala	1,740
Honduras	4,500
Panama	2,125
State Western Hemisphere Regional	13,000
Subtotal	25,665
International Military Education and Training	
Belize	250
Costa Rica	425
El Salvador	1,000
Guatemala	775
Honduras	750
Panama	725
Subtotal	3,925

Global Health Programs - USAID	
Guatemala	13,000
Subtotal	13,000
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	
Central America Regional Security Initiative	222,000
<i>DNA Forensic Technology</i>	<i>[4,000]</i>
<i>Guatemala Police Sexual Assault Units</i>	<i>[3,000]</i>
<i>International Commission Against Impunity in Guatemala</i>	<i>[7,500]</i>
Subtotal	222,000
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs	
Panama	500
Subtotal	500
Overseas Private Investment Corporation	
Regional	2,000
Subtotal	2,000
Total, United States Strategy for Engagement in Central America	750,000

The agreement does not include funds for cash transfer assistance or major infrastructure projects. It is expected that, if supported as part of the Plan, such projects would be financed by El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and other donors, including international development banks.

The Act withholds from obligation 75 percent of assistance made available for each of the central governments of El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras unless the Secretary of State certifies and reports that such government is taking effective steps to meet certain requirements, and requires the Secretary to suspend assistance for such central government that has not made sufficient progress in meeting such requirements. Such withholding and any suspension of funds should apply to each country individually, so that the failure of one country to meet the requirements does not adversely affect another.

The agreement provides \$7,500,000 for a United States contribution to the International Commission Against Impunity in Guatemala (CICIG), and provides the authority to obligate funds made available for the Central America Regional Security Initiative after consultation with, and subject to the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations to support international commissions against impunity in Honduras and El Salvador, if such commissions are established. To receive funds appropriated by this Act or prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State,

foreign operations, and related programs, such commissions should have investigatory and prosecutorial independence and authorities comparable to CICIG.

The agreement endorses the recommendation in the House and Senate reports to transfer up to \$15,000,000 from Development Assistance to the Inter-American Foundation.

The Secretary of State, in coordination with the USAID Administrator, is directed to develop a plan for monitoring and evaluation of programs funded by this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs, to implement the Strategy. Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the Department of State and USAID are directed to consult with the appropriate congressional committees on such plan and provide a progress report and initial results not later than September 30, 2016.

The Secretary of State is directed to include in the report required by subparagraph (3)(B) (relating to clause (xii)) an assessment of the economic investment conditions in El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras, and a description of outstanding commercial disputes, including the confiscation of real property, between United States entities and the governments of such countries.

In addition to the reporting requirement regarding lessons learned from the Merida Initiative and Plan Colombia included in the Introduction of the Senate report, the Secretary of State is directed to include lessons learned with regard to law enforcement and counternarcotics activities.

Colombia.—In accordance with subsection (b), 19 percent of the funds appropriated under Foreign Military Financing Program that are made available for assistance for Colombia may be obligated only if the Secretary of State certifies and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that: (1) cases involving members of the Colombian military who have been credibly alleged to have violated human rights, including those in positions with command authority who ordered or covered up such crimes, are subject only to civilian jurisdiction, the Colombian military is cooperating with civilian authorities in such cases, and military officers credibly alleged to have committed gross violations of human rights are removed from positions with command authority until the completion of