

109TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION

H. R. 1053

AN ACT

To authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the products of Ukraine.

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. FINDINGS.**

2 Congress finds as follows:

3 (1) Ukraine allows its citizens the right and op-
4 portunity to emigrate, free of any heavy tax on emi-
5 gration or on the visas or other documents required
6 for emigration and free of any tax, levy, fine, fee, or
7 other charge on any citizens as a consequence of the
8 desire of such citizens to emigrate to the country of
9 their choice.

10 (2) Ukraine has received normal trade relations
11 treatment since 1992 and has been found to be in
12 full compliance with the freedom of emigration re-
13 quirements under title IV of the Trade Act of 1974
14 since 1997.

15 (3) Since the establishment of an independent
16 Ukraine in 1991, Ukraine has made substantial
17 progress toward the creation of democratic institu-
18 tions and a free-market economy.

19 (4) Ukraine has committed itself to ensuring
20 freedom of religion, respect for rights of minorities,
21 and eliminating intolerance and has been a paragon
22 of inter-ethnic cooperation and harmony, as evi-
23 denced by the annual human rights reports of the
24 Organization for Security and Cooperation in Eu-
25 rope (OSCE) and the United States Department of
26 State.

1 (5) Ukraine has taken major steps toward glob-
2 al security by ratifying the Treaty on the Reduction
3 and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Weapons
4 (START I) and the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation
5 of Nuclear Weapons, subsequently turning over the
6 last of its Soviet-era nuclear warheads on June 1,
7 1996, and agreeing, in 1998, not to assist Iran with
8 the completion of a program to develop and build
9 nuclear breeding reactors, and has fully supported
10 the United States in nullifying the Anti-Ballistic
11 Missile (ABM) Treaty.

12 (6) At the Madrid Summit in 1997, Ukraine
13 became a member of the North Atlantic Cooperation
14 Council of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization
15 (NATO), and has been a participant in the Partner-
16 ship for Peace (PfP) program since 1994.

17 (7) Ukraine is a peaceful state which estab-
18 lished exemplary relations with all neighboring coun-
19 tries, and consistently pursues a course of European
20 integration with a commitment to ensuring democ-
21 racy and prosperity for its citizens.

22 (8) Ukraine has built a broad and durable rela-
23 tionship with the United States and has been an un-
24 wavering ally in the struggle against international
25 terrorism that has taken place since the attacks

1 against the United States that occurred on Sep-
2 tember 11, 2001.

3 (9) Ukraine has concluded a bilateral trade
4 agreement with the United States that entered into
5 force on June 23, 1992, and is in the process of ac-
6 ceding to the World Trade Organization (WTO). On
7 March 6, 2006, the United States and Ukraine
8 signed a bilateral market access agreement as a part
9 of the WTO accession process.

10 **SEC. 2. TERMINATION OF APPLICATION OF TITLE IV OF**
11 **THE TRADE ACT OF 1974 TO THE PRODUCTS**
12 **OF UKRAINE.**

13 (a) **PRESIDENTIAL DETERMINATIONS AND EXTEN-**
14 **SION OF NONDISCRIMINATORY TREATMENT.**—Notwith-
15 standing any provision of title IV of the Trade Act of 1974
16 (19 U.S.C. 2431 et seq.), the President may—

17 (1) determine that such title should no longer
18 apply to Ukraine; and

19 (2) after making a determination under para-
20 graph (1) with respect to Ukraine, proclaim the ex-
21 tension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal
22 trade relations treatment) to the products of that
23 country.

24 (b) **TERMINATION OF APPLICABILITY OF TITLE**
25 **IV.**—On and after the effective date under subsection (a)

1 of the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment to the
2 products of Ukraine, title IV of the Trade Act of 1974
3 shall cease to apply to that country.

Passed the House of Representatives March 8,
2006.

Attest:

Clerk.

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