Graham-Van Hollen Turkey Sanctions Bill

October 9, 2019

Mandatory Sanctions go into effect upon enactment of this Act unless the Administration certifies to Congress – every 90 days – that Turkey is not operating unilaterally (without U.S. support east of the Euphrates and west of the Iraqi border) in Syria and has withdrawn its armed forces, including Turkish supported rebels, from areas it occupied during the operation beginning on October 09, 2019.

List of Sanctions
Section 1: Sanctions on the U.S. assets of the following Turkish Political Leadership

- President
- Vice President
- Minister of National Defense
- Minister of Foreign Affairs
- Minister of Treasury and Finance
- Minister of Trade
- Minister of Energy and Natural Resources

Section 2: Sanctions against military transactions with Turkey
Sanctions against any foreign person who sells or provides financial, material, or technological support or knowingly does a transaction with the Turkish military including

- Aircraft or aircraft parts, machinery, used by the Turkish Air Force
- Automotive equipment and services utilized by the Turkish Land and Naval Forces
- Weapons or defense articles utilized by the Turkish Military
Section 3: Sanctions against the Turkish Energy Sector
- Sanctions any foreign person or entity who supplies goods, services, technology, information, or other support that maintains or supports Turkey’s domestic petroleum production and natural gas production for use by its armed forces

Section 4: Prohibition on U.S. Military Assistance
- Prohibits the sale of U.S. defense articles, services, technology, materials to the Turkish Armed Forces
- Prohibit ammunition sales and transfers to the Turkish Armed Forces

Section 5: CAATSA (S-400)
- Define Tukey’s S-400 purchase as a significant transaction under section 231 of CAATSA
- Implementation of sanctions from CAATSA must occur within 180 days from designating as significant
- Removes CAATSA waiver and delay provisions under Section 231 for this purchase

Section 6: Exemptions for sanctions
- Humanitarian Aid
- Medical Assistance
- Democracy promotion / election assistance
- Intelligence sharing

Section 7: Reports Required
- Report on the net worth and assets of President Recep Tayyip Erdogan

Section 8: Visa Restrictions
- Visa restrictions for Turkish leadership to travel to the U.S.