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H. R. 820

To direct the Federal Communications Commission to publish a list of entities that hold authorizations, licenses, or other grants of authority issued by the Commission and that have certain foreign ownership, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 2, 2023

Ms. STEFANIK (for herself, Mr. GALLAGHER, and Mr. KHANNA) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Foreign Adversary
5 Communications Transparency Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. LIST OF ENTITIES HOLDING FCC AUTHORIZATIONS,**
2 **LICENSES, OR OTHER GRANTS OF AUTHOR-**
3 **ITY AND HAVING CERTAIN FOREIGN OWNER-**
4 **SHIP.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days after the
6 date of the enactment of this Act, the Commission shall
7 publish on the internet website of the Commission a list
8 of each entity—

9 (1) that holds—

10 (A) an authorization issued by the Com-
11 mission;

12 (B) a license issued by the Commission; or
13 (C) any other grant of authority issued by
14 the Commission; and

15 (2) either—

16 (A) any of the equity interest (or equiva-
17 lent thereof) of which is owned by a covered en-
18 tity; or

19 (B) that is not covered by subparagraph
20 (A) but that the Commission, in consultation
21 with an appropriate national security agency,
22 considers appropriate.

23 (b) ANNUAL UPDATES.—The Commission shall up-
24 date the list published under subsection (a) not less fre-
25 quently than annually.

26 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

1 (1) APPROPRIATE NATIONAL SECURITY AGEN-
2 CY.—The term “appropriate national security agen-
3 cy” has the meaning given such term in section 9
4 of the Secure and Trusted Communications Net-
5 works Act of 2019 (47 U.S.C. 1608).

6 (2) COMMISSION.—The term “Commission”
7 means the Federal Communications Commission.

8 (3) COVERED COUNTRY.—The term “covered
9 country” means—

- 10 (A) the People’s Republic of China;
- 11 (B) Russia;
- 12 (C) Iran;
- 13 (D) North Korea;
- 14 (E) Cuba; and
- 15 (F) Venezuela.

16 (4) COVERED ENTITY.—The term “covered en-
17 tity” means—

- 18 (A) the government of a covered country;
- 19 (B) an entity organized under the laws of
20 a covered country or otherwise subject to the
21 jurisdiction of the government of a covered
22 country; and
- 23 (C) a subsidiary or affiliate of an entity
24 described in subparagraph (B) that is not orga-
25 nized under the laws of a covered country or

1 otherwise subject to the jurisdiction of the gov-
2 ernment of a covered country.

