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To provide that no Federal funds may be used to support, finance, assist, or contribute to the Centro de Confinamiento del Terrorismo maximum security prison in Tecoluca, El Salvador.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr.	Takano introduced	the	following	bill;	which	was	referred	to	the
	Committee on								

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 "Prohibition on Fund-
- 5 ing to CECOT Act".
- 6 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.
- 7 Congress finds the following:

1	(1) The Center for the Confinement of Ter-
2	rorism (CECOT) maximum security prison in
3	Tecoluca, El Salvador, has been the subject of
4	human rights issues.
5	(2) Credible reports have documented inhumane
6	conditions, lack of due process, and violations of
7	international standards for the treatment of detain-
8	ees.
9	(3) Continued financial assistance that supports
10	or facilitates the operation or expansion of the
11	CECOT prison may contravene the human rights
12	standards upheld by the United States and its inter-
13	national partners.
14	SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON FUNDING.
15	(a) Prohibition on Current and Future Fund-
16	ING.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no
17	Federal funds may be appropriated or otherwise made
18	available to directly or indirectly support, finance, assist,
19	or contribute to—
20	(1) the construction, maintenance, expansion,
21	or operation of the Center for the Confinement of
22	Terrorism maximum security prison in Tecoluca, El
23	Salvador (referred to in this Act as the "CECOT
24	prison'');

1	(2) any personnel training, equipment, infra-
2	structure, or services intended for use at or in con-
3	nection with the CECOT prison;
4	(3) any entity, program, or activity that facili-
5	tates the continued operation or expansion of the
6	CECOT prison; or
7	(4) costs associated with the detention of any
8	individuals transported from the United States to El
9	Salvador, irrespective of their status under the im-
10	migration laws (as such term is defined in section
11	101 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8
12	U.S.C. 1101)), in the CECOT prison or in any other
13	prison in El Salvador.
14	(b) TERMINATION OF CURRENT FUNDING.—Any un-
15	expended balances of any grant or other Federal funds
16	previously made available by any Act and obligated for any
17	of the purposes described in subsection (a) are perma-
18	nently rescinded.
19	SEC. 4. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.
20	Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment
21	of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit to Con-
22	gress a report identifying the following:
23	(1) Any funds obligated or expended for any of
24	the purposes described in section 3(a), including

1	funds made available prior to the date of enactment
2	of this Act.
3	(2) Any contracts, grants, or cooperative agree-
4	ments in effect that involve support to the CECOT
5	prison, directly or indirectly.
6	(3) A plan for the reallocation or return of any
7	funds described in section 3(b).