

PMW Report: Basis for US anti-terror laws

Special Report

Four loopholes in American Anti-Terror Laws

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PMW's 6 recommendations passed by Congress one month later

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	PMW releases report recommending six changes in US law	The House of Representatives passed bill implementing PMW recommendations H. Rept. 108-599 - FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS BILL, 2005
1.	"All US conditions meant to eradicate funding of terror must apply to every recipient, whether private, NGO or governmental. "	"The Secretary of State shall take all appropriate steps to ensure that such assistance is not provided to or through any individual, private or government entity , or educational institution..."
2.	" Contractors may be hired with US money only if both the contractor and the beneficiary of the work have fulfilled all US anti-terror conditions... "	"USAID shall ensure that Federal or non-Federal audits of all contractors and grantees, and significant sub-contractors and sub grantees... ensure, among other things, compliance with this section. "
3.	" No US money may fund a university -directly or indirectly - or any student in a university that has a branch of a terrorist organization, permits activities of a terrorist organization, has events honoring terrorism or terrorists... "	"...establish procedures specifying the steps to... terminate assistance to any individual, entity, or educational institution found to be involved in or advocating terrorist activity. "

<p>4.</p>	<p>“Any non-US funding body (e.g. World Bank or UN) must use the same anti-terror criteria as the US to be eligible to receive US money.”</p>	<p>“The Committee notes that the United States provides a significant portion of its foreign assistance through the World Bank and other International Financial Institutions, and urges the Treasury Department to explore the possibility of instituting a similar certification requirement for assistance provided by these institutions...”</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>“No recipient of US funding may facilitate or use any portion of its budget, whatever the source, for anti-American activities or to honor, support or glorify terror.”</p>	<p>“Such assistance is not provided to or through any individual, private or government entity, or educational institution that the Secretary knows or has reason to believe advocates, plans, sponsors, engages in, or has engaged in, terrorist activity.”</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>“The language of the US Anti-Terrorism Certification must include the renouncing of terrorism, as specified by the US definition and listing of terrorist organizations.”</p>	<p>“The Committee notes that USAID has recently begun to require all grantees to sign an Anti-Terrorism Certification (ATC), which requires grantees to certify that they have not and will not provide material support or resources to individuals or entities involved in terrorism...”</p>