An Act

To enable the United States to render assistance to, or in behalf of, certain migrants and refugees.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as “The Indochina Migration and Refugee Assistance Act of 1975”.

Sec. 2. (a) Subject to the provisions of subsection (b) there are hereby authorized to be appropriated, in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes, $155,000,000 for the performance of functions set forth in the Migration and Refugee Assistance Act of 1962 (76 Stat. 121), as amended, with respect to aliens who have fled from Cambodia or Vietnam, such sums to remain available in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of this section.

(b) None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act shall be available for the performance of functions after June 30, 1976, other than for carrying out the provisions of clauses (3), (4), (5), and (6) of section 2(b) of the Migration and Refugee Assistance Act of 1962, as amended. None of such funds shall be available for obligation for any purpose after September 30, 1977.

Sec. 3. In carrying out functions utilizing the funds made available under this Act, the term “refugee” as defined in section 2(b)(3) of the Migration and Refugee Assistance Act of 1962, as amended, shall be deemed to include aliens who (A) because of persecution or fear of persecution on account of race, religion, or political opinion, fled from Cambodia or Vietnam; (B) cannot return there because of fear of persecution on account of race, religion, or political opinion; and (C) are in urgent need of assistance for the essentials of life.

Sec. 4. (a) The President shall consult with and keep the Committees on the Judiciary, Appropriations, and International Relations of the House of Representatives and the Committees on Foreign Relations, Appropriations and Judiciary of the Senate fully and currently informed of the use of funds and the exercise of functions authorized in this Act.

(b) Not more than thirty days after the date of enactment of this Act, the President shall transmit to such Committees a report describing fully and completely the status of refugees from Cambodia and South Vietnam. Such report shall set forth, in addition—

(1) a plan for the resettlement of those refugees remaining in receiving or staging centers;

(2) the number of refugees who have indicated an interest in returning to their homeland or being resettled in a third country, together with (A) a description of the plan for their return or resettlement and the steps taken to carry out such return or resettlement, and (B) any initiatives that have been made with respect to the Office of the High Commissioner for Refugees of the United Nations; and

(3) a full and complete description of the steps the President has taken to retrieve and deposit in the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts all amounts previously authorized and appropriated for assistance to South Vietnam and Cambodia but not expended for such purpose, exclusive of the $98,000,000 of Indochina Postwar Reconstruction funds allocated to the Department of State for movement and maintenance of refugees prior to the date of enactment of this Act.

May 23, 1975
[H.R. 6755]

The Indochina Migration and Refugee Assistance Act of 1975.
22 USC 2601
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Appropriation authorization.
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Presidential consultation with congressional committees.
22 USC 2601
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Report to congressional committees.
(c) Supplementary reports setting forth recent information with respect to each of the items referred to in this section shall be transmitted not more than ninety days after the date of transmittal of the report referred to in subsection (b) of this section and not later than the end of each ninety-day period thereafter. Such reports shall continue until September 30, 1977, and a final report shall be submitted no later than December 31, 1977.

Approved May 23, 1975.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

HOUSE REPORTS: No. 94–197 (Comm. on the Judiciary) and No. 94–230 (Comm. of Conference).

SENATE REPORT No. 94–119 accompanying S. 1661 (Comm. on Foreign Relations).

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, Vol. 121 (1975):

May 14, considered and passed House.
May 16, considered and passed Senate, amended, in lieu of S. 1661.
May 21, Senate and House agreed to conference report.
Public Law 94–24
94th Congress

An Act

Making appropriations for special assistance to refugees from Cambodia and Vietnam for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for special assistance to refugees from Cambodian and Vietnamese refugees, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975, and for other purposes; namely:

TITLE I
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

OTHER
SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO REFUGEES FROM CAMBODIA AND VIETNAM

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, for the relocation and resettlement of refugees from Cambodia and Vietnam, $305,000,000, to remain available until June 30, 1976.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE

SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICE

SPECIAL ASSISTANCE TO REFUGEES FROM CAMBODIA AND VIETNAM IN THE UNITED STATES

For assistance to refugees from Cambodia and Vietnam in the United States, to remain available for obligation through June 30, 1978, $100,000,000.

TITLE II
GENERAL PROVISION

Sec. 201. No funds appropriated in this Act shall be used, directly or indirectly, to aid the Democratic Republic of Vietnam (DRV) or the Provisional Revolutionary Government (PRG), nor shall any funds appropriated under this Act be channeled through or administered by the DRV or the PRG, nor shall any funds appropriated under this Act be channeled through or administered by international organizations or voluntary agencies to aid the DRV or the PRG.

Approved May 23, 1975.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:

HOUSE REPORT No. 94–204 (Comm. on Appropriations).
SENATE REPORT No. 94–138 (Comm. on Appropriations).
CONGRESSIONAL RECORD, Vol. 121 (1975):
May 14, considered and passed House.
May 16, considered and passed Senate.