

~~AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 114-64~~ #30

~~OFFERED BY MR. POMPEO OF KANSAS~~

Page 11, after line 21, add the following:

1 **SEC. 10. PROHIBITION ON UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT**

2 **PAYMENT OF RANSOM.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Except as provided by subsection
4 (b), the President and all officers of the United States
5 Government shall not make a payment to a government
6 or person for the purpose of securing the release of un-
7 justly detained individuals who are nationals of the United
8 States or aliens who are lawfully admitted for permanent
9 residence in the United States.

10 (b) **EXCEPTION.**—The prohibition under subsection
11 (a) does not prohibit the United States Government from
12 providing assistance to individuals who are nationals of
13 the United States or aliens who are lawfully admitted for
14 permanent residence in the United States that have been
15 arrested.

16 (c) **ENFORCEMENT.**—The Secretary of the Treasury,
17 in consultation with the Secretary of State and the Attor-
18 ney General, may take such actions, including the promul-
19 gation of such rules and regulations, as may be necessary
20 to carry out the purposes of this section.

1 (d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

2 (1) ENTITY.—The term “entity” means a cor-
3 poration, business association, partnership, trust, so-
4 ciety, or any other entity.

5 (2) PERSON.—The term “person” means an in-
6 dividual or entity.

