AMENDMENT NO._______ Calendar No._______

Purpose: To prohibit foreign aid to countries that owe more than $10,000,000,000 in United States debt.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES 113th Congress 1st Session

AMENDMENT NO. 670

By Coburn

To S. 1619, to require and

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN

Viz:

1 On page 33, after line 5, add the following:

2 SEC. 16. PROHIBITION ON FOREIGN AID TO COUNTRIES

3 HOLDING MORE THAN $10,000,000,000 IN

4 UNITED STATES DEBT.

5 (a) PROHIBITION ON FUNDING.—Except as provided

6 in subsection (c), no funds may be appropriated or other-

7 wise made available to provide assistance to the people or

8 government of a country that is listed by the United

9 States Treasury as owning more than $10,000,000,000 in

10 United States debt. This prohibition includes both direct

11 bilateral assistance and assistance provided by the United

12 States Agency for International Development to non-
governmental organizations and multilateral organizations, including the United Nations and affiliated organizations, for programs designed to assist the residents of any country that owns more than $10,000,000,000 in United States debt.

(b) RESCISSION OF FISCAL YEAR 2012 FUNDS.—
Any funds appropriated or otherwise made available for fiscal year 2012 for assistance prohibited under subsection (a) and available for obligation as of the date of the enactment of this Act are hereby rescinded.

c) EXCEPTIONS.—

(1) EXEMPTED ASSISTANCE.—The prohibition under subsection (a) does not apply to—

(A) Foreign Military Financing assistance;

(B) assistance for programs to strengthen the rule of law and good governance; and

(C) assistance for programs to promote religious liberty and freedom.

(2) PRESIDENTIAL WAIVER.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The President may waive the prohibition on assistance under subsection (a) if the President determines that providing such assistance is necessary to respond to an emergency requirement.
(B) Emergency requirement defined.—

(i) Definition.—For purposes of this paragraph, an emergency requirement is—

(I) necessary, essential, or vital (not merely useful or beneficial);

(II) sudden, quickly coming into being, and not building up over time;

(III) an urgent, pressing, and compelling need requiring immediate action;

(IV) subject to clause (ii), unforeseen, unpredictable, and unanticipated; and

(V) not permanent in nature.

(ii) Meaning of unforeseen.—For purposes of this subparagraph, an emergency that is part of an aggregate level of anticipated emergencies, particularly when normally estimated in advance, is not unforeseen.

(C) Congressional notification.—The President shall notify the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee on Appro-
appropriations of the Senate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives not later than 15 days after exercising a waiver under this paragraph.