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H. R. 4197

To prevent the admission of any member or leader of the Magyar Garda into the United States, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 15, 2007

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

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. FINDINGS.**

4 The Congress finds the following:

5 (1) In August 2007, Gabor Vona, President of
6 JOBBIK, the Right-Wing Youth Community Party,
7 announced plans to establish a a new paramilitary
8 organization, the “Hungarian Guard”, or Magyar
9 Garda, with an aim to provide “physical and intel-
10 lectual defense for Hungarians”.

1 (2) Jewish groups in Hungary have raised con-
2 cerns of rising anti-Semitism, expressing particular
3 concern about the Magyar Garda's use of symbols
4 linked to the Arrow Cross party that collaborated
5 with the Nazis in World War II.

6 (3) The fascist Arrow Cross regime was respon-
7 sible for the deportation of some 450,000 Hungarian
8 Jews to Nazi death camps where many died in the
9 Holocaust.

10 (4) The World Jewish Congress has called on
11 the Hungarian Government to act against the Mag-
12 yar Garda.

13 (5) On August 25, 2007, 56 members of the
14 Magyar Garda were sworn in during a ceremony in
15 Budapest's historic castle district.

16 (6) On October 26, 2007, 600 new members
17 were inducted into the Magyar Garda at Hero's
18 Square in Budapest before a crowd of 2500. The
19 new members were wearing the Garda's uniforms
20 that are reminiscent of those worn by Arrow Cross
21 members.

22 (7) The Magyar Garda has announced its inten-
23 tion "to rescue Hungarians", preserve "Hungary for
24 Hungarians", and train its members to use firearms
25 and weaponry.

1 **SEC. 2. PREVENTING ENTRY OF MAGYAR GARDA PARTICI-**
2 **PANTS.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Notwithstanding any other provi-
4 sion of law, a consular officer shall deny all classes of im-
5 migrant and nonimmigrant visas to, and the Secretary of
6 Homeland Security shall deny admission into the United
7 States to, any alien who the Secretary of State determines
8 is or was—

9 (1) a former or present leader of the Magyar
10 Garda;

11 (2) a present member of the Magyar Garda; or

12 (3) a member of the immediate family of an in-
13 dividual described in paragraph (1) or (2).

14 (b) **WAIVER.**—The President may waive the applica-
15 tion of subsection (a) on a case-by-case basis only if the
16 President determines and certifies in writing to the Com-
17 mittee on Foreign Affairs and the Committee on the Judi-
18 ciary of the House of Representatives and the Committee
19 on Foreign Relations and the Committee on the Judiciary
20 of the Senate that the admission of a specified alien is
21 in the national interests of the United States.

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