

Public Release of Foreign Security Forces Units Ineligible for Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 and Arms Export Control Act Assistance Pursuant to the State Leahy Law

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Section 620M of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (also referred to as the “State Leahy law”) states, in pertinent part:

- (a) **IN GENERAL.** – No assistance shall be furnished under this Act or the Arms Export Control Act to any unit of the security forces of a foreign country if the Secretary of State has credible information that such unit has committed a gross violation of human rights.

- (d) The Secretary of State shall establish, and periodically update, procedures to—

(7) make publicly available, to the maximum extent practicable, the identity of those units for which no assistance shall be furnished pursuant to subsection (a).

Consistent with this provision, the list below identifies (in alphabetical order, by country) foreign government security forces units that were proposed for applicable assistance in calendar year 2017 but were denied such assistance pursuant to the State Leahy law based on credible information that the unit committed a gross violation of human rights. A unit’s absence from this list does not mean the unit received security assistance from the United States. A listed unit may receive assistance in the future if new, exculpatory information is discovered. In addition, depending on the steps taken by the foreign government to bring the responsible members of the unit to justice, assistance to a unit may resume if the Secretary of State determines and reports to Congress that the government is taking effective steps to bring the responsible members of the unit to justice, in accordance with the State Leahy law.

Belize

- Belize Police Department, Administration, Belmopan Headquarters
- Belize Police Department, Rural Eastern Division, Ladyville Precinct

Bosnia and Herzegovina

- Herzeg Neretva Canton Ministry of Interior, Jablanica Police Station, Herzeg Neretva Canton
- Republika Srpska Ministry of Interior, Public Safety Center Zvornik, Republika Srpska
- Republika Srpska Ministry of Internal Affairs, Chief of Public Security Center Zvornik, Republika Srpska

Cambodia

- Headquarters, Royal Gendarmerie

Georgia

- Kutaisi City Division, Imereti, Racha-Lechkhumi and Kvemo Svaneti Regional Main Division
- Neighborhood Police Division, Zestaponi City Police Department, Imereti Police Department
- Neighborhood Police Unit, Zugdidi Regional Division, Samegrelo-Svaneti Police Department

Guatemala

- Morales, Izabal Substation

Kenya

- Kamiti Main Prison

Lesotho

- Criminal Investigations Division (CID), Leribe Police Station

Madagascar

- Toliara Provincial Police Command

Mexico

- Hidalgo State Attorney General's Office, General Directorate of the Investigations Police
- Mexico State General Secretariat of Government, Mexico State Commission of Public Security, General Directorate of Intelligence and Investigation for Crime Prevention
- Michoacán Secretariat of Public Security, Undersecretariat of Public Security, Municipal Unified Command, Directorate of Public Security in Caracuaro
- Municipal Government of Zempoala, Hidalgo, General Directorate of Public Security and Municipal Transit
- Secretariat of Public Security Transit and Roadways, Municipality of Pachuca, Hidalgo, Directorate of Crime Prevention, Preventative Police

Moldova

- Botanica Police Inspectorate of Chisinau Police Directorate, General Police Inspectorate
- Independent Battalion, 1001 Military Unit, The Carabineer Troop Department
- Office no. 1, Directorate no. 2, Analysis and Special Surveillance Directorate, General Police Inspectorate
- Special Actions Intervention Detachment, "Fulger" Brigade, General Police Inspectorate

Nepal

- Bhairavnath Battalion, Special Troops Brigade, Directorate of Military Operations
- Yuddha Bhairav Battalion, Special Troops Brigade, Directorate of Military Operations