

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

Calendar Year 2021

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) units of foreign government security forces units that were proposed for applicable assistance in calendar year 2021 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 during any year in the unit’s history. A unit’s absence from this list does not mean the unit received security assistance from the United States; likewise, the absence of units from the list may simply mean they were never considered for training or assistance in 2021. Units that previously have been listed in public releases, but nevertheless remain ineligible for such assistance, may not necessarily be listed in subsequent releases. A listed unit could potentially be eligible for assistance in the future if, exculpatory information is identified. In addition, depending on the steps taken by the foreign government, 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.

Kyrgyzstan

- Pre-Trial Detention Center, Department of Internal affairs of Jalalabad region

Mexico

- Gobierno Municipal de Chimalhuacán, Estado de México / Dirección General de Seguridad Pública y Transito Municipal de Chimalhuacán, Estado de México
- Secretaría de Seguridad Pública y Vialidad del Municipio de Santiago, Nuevo León

Montenegro

- Anti-Narcotics Unit, Berane Police Department

Nepal

- Police Headquarters, Special Bureau Naxal

- Central Investigation Bureau Maharajgunj

Philippines

- Coast Guard unit MCS-3001

Rwanda

- Nyagatare District Police Unit
- Nyarugenge District Police Unit Headquarters, Nyarugenge District, Kigali City
- Musanze District Police Unit Headquarters, Musanze Town, Musanze District, Northern Province
- Rwanda National Police, Karongi District Police Unit, Western Province, Karongi District, Karongi Town

Thailand

- Protected Area Regional Office 3 Petchburi branch (Petchaburi), Kaeng Krachan National Park

Trinidad and Tobago

- Special Operations Response Team

Vietnam

- Criminal Police Office, Hai Phong City Public Security