



**THE WHITE HOUSE**

**WASHINGTON**

**October 3, 2022**

**Presidential Determination  
No. 2023-01**

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE

SUBJECT: Presidential Determination and Certification  
with Respect to the Child Soldiers Prevention  
Act of 2008

Pursuant to section 404 of the Child Soldiers Prevention Act of  
2008 (22 U.S.C. 2370c-1) (CSPA), I hereby:

Determine that it is in the national interest of the  
United States to waive in part the application of the  
prohibition in section 404(a) of the CSPA with respect to the  
Central African Republic and the Democratic Republic of the  
Congo to allow for the provision of International Military  
Education and Training (IMET) and Peacekeeping Operations (PKO)  
assistance, to the extent that the CSPA would restrict such  
assistance; to waive in part the application of the prohibition  
in section 404(a) of the CSPA with respect to Somalia and Yemen  
to allow for the provision of IMET and PKO assistance and  
support provided pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 333, to the extent that  
the CSPA would restrict such assistance or support; to waive the

application of the prohibition in section 404(a) of the CSPA with respect to allowing for the issuance of licenses for direct commercial sales related to other United States Government assistance for the above countries and, with respect to Russia, solely for direct commercial sales in connection with the International Space Station; and

Certify that the governments of the above countries are taking effective and continuing steps to address the problem of child soldiers.

Accordingly, I hereby waive such applications of section 404(a) of the CSPA.

You are authorized and directed to submit this determination and certification to the Congress, along with the Memorandum of Justification, and to publish this determination in the *Federal Register*.

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