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Certification Under Section 7045(b)(2)(A) of the National Security, Department of State, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2026 (Div. F, P.L. 119-75)

By virtue of the authority vested in me by section 7045(b)(2)(A) of the National Security, Department of State, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2026 (Div. F, P.L. 119-75) (FY 2026 NSSAA), I hereby certify that the central governments of El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras are:

i. Combating corruption and impunity, including investigating and prosecuting government officials, military personnel, and police officers credibly alleged to be corrupt, and improving strategies to combat money laundering and other global financial crimes;

ii. Implementing reforms, policies, and programs to strengthen the rule of law, including increasing the transparency of public institutions, strengthening the independence of judicial and electoral institutions, and improving the transparency of political campaign and political party financing;

iii. Protecting the rights of human rights defenders, trade unionists, journalists, civil society groups, opposition political parties, and the independence of the media;

iv. Taking demonstrable actions to secure national borders and stem mass migration toward Mexico and the United States, including positive governance related to combating crime and violence, building economic opportunity, improving government services, and protecting human rights;

v. Providing effective and accountable law enforcement and security for its citizens, curtailing the role of the military in public security, and upholding due process of law;

vi. Implementing programs to reduce violence against women and girls;

vii. Implementing policies to reduce poverty and promote economic growth and opportunity, including the implementation of reforms to strengthen educational systems, vocational training programs, and programs for at-risk youth;

viii. Cooperating with the United States to counter drug trafficking, human trafficking and smuggling, and other transnational crime;

ix. Cooperating with the United States and other governments in the region to facilitate the return, repatriation, and reintegration of migrants; and

x. Implementing policies that improve the environment for businesses, including foreign businesses, to operate and invest, including executing tax reform in a transparent manner, ensuring effective legal mechanisms for reimbursements of tax refunds owed to United States businesses, and resolving disputes involving the confiscation of real property of United States entities.

This certification shall be published in the *Federal Register* and, along with the accompanying Memorandum of Justification, shall be reported to Congress.

Dated: July 1, 2026

Christopher Landau,

Deputy Secretary of State,

U.S. Department of State.

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