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114TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

**H. R.** \_\_\_\_\_

To discontinue Radio Martí and Television Martí broadcasts to Cuba.

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. McCOLLUM introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**A BILL**

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to Cuba.

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Stop Wasting Tax-  
5 payer Money on Cuba Broadcasting Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

1           (1) For 30 years the United States Government  
2 has broadcast news and information to Cuba with  
3 the intent to promote freedom and democracy.

4           (2) Since fiscal year 1984 Congress has appro-  
5 priated approximately \$770,000,000 to the Office of  
6 Cuban Broadcasting to operate Radio and TV  
7 Martí, according to the Congressional Research  
8 Service.

9           (3) Historical surveys conducted by the Broad-  
10 casting Board of Governors indicate that Radio and  
11 TV Martí reached an audience of less than 2 percent  
12 of Cuban adults in households with landline phones.

13           (4) The Broadcasting Board of Governors has  
14 no current, valid estimates of audience size in Cuba  
15 and therefore is unable to report on the cost effec-  
16 tiveness of its activities.

17           (5) Radio and TV Martí recently were charac-  
18 terized by media sources as a symbol of ineffectual  
19 Cold War policy and government waste rather than  
20 a serious democratic tool.

21           (6) On December 17, 2014, President Barack  
22 Obama announced a new policy of engagement to-  
23 ward Cuba that “will end an outdated approach  
24 that, for decades, has failed to advance our interests,

1 and instead we will begin to normalize relations be-  
2 tween our two countries”.

3 **SEC. 3. DISCONTINUATION OF RADIO MARTÍ AND TELE-**  
4 **VISION MARTÍ BROADCASTS TO CUBA.**

5 (a) RADIO BROADCASTING TO CUBA ACT.—The  
6 Radio Broadcasting to Cuba Act (22 U.S.C. 1465 et seq.)  
7 is repealed.

8 (b) TELEVISION BROADCASTING TO CUBA ACT.—  
9 The Television Broadcasting to Cuba Act (22 U.S.C.  
10 1465aa et seq.) is repealed.