The Strengthening Efforts to End Violence Against Children (SEEVAC) Act, led by Rep. Jim McGovern (D MA-2) and Rep. Maria Salazar (R FL-27), will update and strengthen existing U.S. Government efforts to end violence against children, improve interagency coordination in addressing violence, and promote the use of evidence-based strategies and information gathering capabilities. The bill will:

- Align current interventions for vulnerable children with USAID’s Advancing Protection and Care for Children in Adversity (APCCA) Strategy and evidence-based interventions such as the INSPIRE strategies and Violence Against Children Surveys.

- Elevate the USAID Special Advisor for Assistance to Orphans and Vulnerable Children and require the Special Advisor to advise USAID offices, bureaus, and field missions and other U.S. government agencies to address violence against children through the current whole-of-government strategy.

- Update USAID reporting requirements to identify how U.S. agencies are utilizing the INSPIRE strategies and findings from Violence Against Children and Youth Surveys, including in response to the effects of COVID-19.


To co-sponsor this Bill, please contact Cindy Buhl, Rep. McGovern's office (Cindy.Buhl@mail.house.gov).

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