

purpose shall be determined as provided in regulations prescribed by the Secretary or his delegate.

“(B) CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS.—The deduction for charitable contributions and gifts provided by section 170 shall be allowed whether or not connected with income which is effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business within the United States.

“(2) DEDUCTIONS AND CREDITS ALLOWED ONLY IF RETURN FILED.—A foreign corporation shall receive the benefit of the deductions and credits allowed to it in this subtitle only by filing or causing to be filed with the Secretary or his delegate a true and accurate return, in the manner prescribed in subtitle F, including therein all the information which the Secretary or his delegate may deem necessary for the calculation of such deductions and credits. This paragraph shall not be construed to deny the credit provided by section 32 for tax withheld at source or the credit provided by section 39 for certain uses of gasoline and lubricating oil.

“(3) FOREIGN TAX CREDIT.—Except as provided by section 906, foreign corporations shall not be allowed the credit against the tax for taxes of foreign countries and possessions of the United States allowed by section 901.

“(4) CROSS REFERENCE.—

“For rule that certain foreign taxes are not to be taken into account in determining deduction or credit, see section 906(b)(1).

“(d) ELECTION TO TREAT REAL PROPERTY INCOME AS INCOME CONNECTED WITH UNITED STATES BUSINESS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—A foreign corporation which during the taxable year derives any income—

“(A) from real property located in the United States, or from any interest in such real property, including (i) gains from the sale or exchange of real property or an interest therein, (ii) rents or royalties from mines, wells, or other natural deposits, and (iii) gains described in section 631 (b) or (c), and

“(B) which, but for this subsection, would not be treated as income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business within the United States,

may elect for such taxable year to treat all such income as income which is effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business within the United States. In such case, such income shall be taxable as provided in subsection (a)(1) whether or not such corporation is engaged in trade or business within the United States during the taxable year. An election under this paragraph for any taxable year shall remain in effect for all subsequent taxable years, except that it may be revoked with the consent of the Secretary or his delegate with respect to any taxable year.

“(2) ELECTION AFTER REVOCATION, ETC.—Paragraphs (2) and (3) of section 871(d) shall apply in respect of elections under this subsection in the same manner and to the same extent as they apply in respect of elections under section 871(d).

“(e) RETURNS OF TAX BY AGENT.—If any foreign corporation has no office or place of business in the United States but has an agent in the United States, the return required under section 6012 shall be made by the agent.”

(2)(A) Subsection (e) of section 11 (relating to exceptions from tax on corporations) is amended by inserting “or” at the end of paragraph (2), by striking out “, or” at the end of paragraph (3) and inserting a period in lieu thereof, and by striking out paragraph (4).

(B) Section 11 (relating to tax on corporations) is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

“(f) FOREIGN CORPORATIONS.—In the case of a foreign corporation, the tax imposed by subsection (a) shall apply only as provided by section 882.”

(3) The table of sections for subpart B of part II of subchapter N of chapter 1 is amended by striking out the items relating to sections 881 and 882 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

“Sec. 881. Income of foreign corporations not connected with United States business.

“Sec. 882. Income of foreign corporations connected with United States business.”