

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 114-51
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At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

1 **SEC. 12xx. LIMITATION ON MILITARY CONTACT AND CO-**
2 **OPERATION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES**
3 **AND CUBA.**

4 (a) LIMITATION.—None of the funds authorized to
5 be appropriated or otherwise made available for fiscal year
6 2017 for the Department of Defense may be used for any
7 bilateral military-to-military contact or cooperation be-
8 tween the Governments of the United States and Cuba
9 until the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the
10 Secretary of State and the Director of National Intel-
11 ligence, certifies to the appropriate congressional commit-
12 tees that—

13 (1) the Government of Cuba has—

14 (A) met the requirements and satisfied the
15 factors specified in sections 205 and 206 of the
16 Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity
17 (LIBERTAD) Act of 1996 (22 U.S.C. 6065
18 and 6066); and

1 (B) resolved, to the full satisfaction of
2 United States law, all outstanding claims and
3 judgments belonging to United States nationals
4 against the Government of Cuba, including but
5 not limited to claims regarding property con-
6 fiscated by the Government of Cuba;

7 (2) the Cuban military and other security forces
8 in Cuba have ceased committing human right
9 abuses, including arbitrary arrests, beatings, and
10 other acts of repudiation, against those who express
11 opposition to the Castro regime, civil rights activists
12 and other citizens of Cuba, as well as all persecu-
13 tion, intimidation, arrest, imprisonment, and assas-
14 sination of dissidents and members of faith-based
15 organizations;

16 (3) the Cuban military has ceased providing
17 military intelligence, weapons training, strategic
18 planning, and security logistics to the military and
19 security forces of Venezuela;

20 (4) the Government of Cuba no longer demands
21 that the United States relinquish control of Guanta-
22 namo Bay, in violation of an international treaty;

23 (5) the Government of Cuba returns to the
24 United States fugitives wanted by the Department

1 of Justice for crimes committed in the United
2 States; and

3 (6) the officials of the Cuban military that were
4 indicted in the murder of United States citizens dur-
5 ing the shoot down of planes operated by the Broth-
6 ers to the Rescue humanitarian organization in 1996
7 are brought to justice.

8 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

9 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
10 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
11 mittees” means—

12 (A) the Committee on Armed Services and
13 the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Sen-
14 ate; and

15 (B) the Committee on Armed Services and
16 the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House
17 of Representatives.

18 (2) BILATERAL MILITARY-TO-MILITARY CON-
19 TACT OR COOPERATION.—The term “bilateral mili-
20 tary-to-military contact or cooperation”—

21 (A) means—

22 (i) reciprocal visits and meetings by
23 high-ranking delegations;

1 (ii) information sharing, policy con-
2 sultations, security dialogues or other
3 forms of consultative discussions;

4 (iii) exchange of military instructors,
5 training personnel, and students;

6 (iv) defense planning; and

7 (v) military training or exercises; but

8 (B) does not include any contact or co-
9 operation that is in support of the United
10 States stability operations.

11 (3) CUBAN MILITARY.—The term “Cuban mili-
12 tary” means—

13 (A) the Ministry of the Revolutionary
14 Armed Forces of Cuba, the Ministry of the In-
15 terior of Cuba, or any subdivision of either such
16 Ministry;

17 (B) any agency, instrumentality, or other
18 entity that is owned, operated, or controlled by
19 an entity specified in subparagraph (A); or

20 (C) an individual who is a senior member
21 of the Ministry of the Revolutionary Armed
22 Forces of Cuba or the Ministry of the Interior
23 of Cuba.

24 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section takes effect on
25 the date of the enactment of this Act and applies with

1 respect to funds described in subsection (a) that are unob-
2 ligated as of such date of enactment.

