

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 115-23
OFFERED BY MR. ENGEL OF NEW YORK

At the end of subtitle H of title XII, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 12__ . CULTURAL HERITAGE PROTECTION COORDI-**
2 **NATOR.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
5 shall designate an employee of the Department of Defense
6 to serve concurrently as the Coordinator for Cultural Her-
7 itage Protection (in this section referred to as the “Coordi-
8 nator”).

9 (b) DUTIES.—The Coordinator shall have the fol-
10 lowing duties:

11 (1) The Coordinator shall be responsible for co-
12 ordinating existing obligations of the Department of
13 Defense for the protection of cultural heritage, in-
14 cluding the 1954 Hague Convention for the Protec-
15 tion of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed
16 Conflict, and other obligations for the protection of
17 cultural heritage.

18 (2) The Coordinator shall convene a coordi-
19 nating committee of entities within the Department

1 of Defense that have the responsibility or capacity
2 for protecting cultural heritage.

3 (c) COORDINATING COMMITTEE.—The coordinating
4 committee convened pursuant to subsection (b)(2) shall—

5 (1) meet not less than annually;

6 (2) coordinate with the Cultural Heritage Co-
7 ordinating Committee convened by the Department
8 of State; and

9 (3) solicit consultation and coordination with
10 other Federal agencies and nongovernmental organi-
11 zations, including the U.S. Committee of the Blue
12 Shield, as well as other expert and stakeholder orga-
13 nizations, as appropriate for the national security in-
14 terests of the United States.

