

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 115-23
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At the end of subtitle H of title XII, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 12 . STRATEGIC ASSESSMENTS OF THE USE OF VIO-**
2 **LENT OR UNORTHODOX ISLAMIC RELIGIOUS**
3 **DOCTRINE TO SUPPORT EXTREMIST OR TER-**
4 **RORIST MESSAGING AND JUSTIFICATION.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year after the
6 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
7 shall conduct two concurrent strategic assessments of the
8 use of violent or unorthodox Islamic religious doctrine to
9 support extremist or terrorist messaging and justification
10 and submit the results of the assessments to the appro-
11 priate congressional committees. These concurrent assess-
12 ments shall be carried out by the following:

13 (1) A team of United States government em-
14 ployees, from relevant departments and agencies
15 with appropriate background and expertise to con-
16 tribute to such an assessment.

17 (2) A team of non-governmental experts from
18 academia, industry, or other entities not currently a
19 part of the United States Government, with appro-

1 appropriate background and expertise to contribute to
2 such an assessment.

3 (b) ELEMENTS.—The assessments required under
4 subsection (a) shall include the following elements:

5 (1) Identification of major or significant identi-
6 fiable Islamic religious doctrines, concepts, or
7 schools of thought used by various extremist groups
8 for specific purposes, such as recruitment,
9 radicalization, financing, or propaganda.

10 (2) How key elements of these doctrines, con-
11 cepts, or schools of thought are incorporated into ex-
12 tremist or terrorist messaging and justification.

13 (3) Identification of major or significant identi-
14 fiable Islamic religious doctrines, concepts, or
15 schools of thought that can be used to counter the
16 threads identified in paragraphs (1) and (2).

17 (4) Recommendations for identifying key
18 thought leaders or proponents for these major or
19 significant identifiable Islamic religious doctrines,
20 concepts, or schools of thought in paragraphs (1)
21 through (3).

22 (5) Recommendations for technological capa-
23 bility, training improvements, or process develop-
24 ments to speed the identification of harmful or de-

1 stabilizing Islamic religious doctrines, concepts, or
2 schools of thought used by extremist groups.

3 (c) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-
4 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congres-
5 sional committees” means—

6 (1) the Committees on Armed Services, Foreign
7 Relations, Homeland Security and Governmental Af-
8 fairs, and the Select Committee on Intelligence of
9 the Senate; and

10 (2) the Committee on Armed Services, Foreign
11 Affairs, Homeland Security, and the Permanent Se-
12 lect Committee on Intelligence of the House of Rep-
13 resentatives.

