

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
FOR H.R. 1735
OFFERED BY MRS. LUMMIS OF WYOMING**

Add at the end of subtitle D of title XVI the following:

1 **SEC. 1657. PROHIBITION ON DE-ALERTING INTERCONTI-**
2 **NENTAL BALLISTIC MISSILES.**

3 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the Sense of Con-
4 gress that—

5 (1) the responsiveness and alert levels of inter-
6 continental ballistic missiles are a unique feature of
7 the ground-based leg of the United States nuclear
8 triad;

9 (2) such responsiveness and alert levels are crit-
10 ical to providing robust nuclear deterrence and as-
11 surance; and

12 (3) any action to reduce the responsiveness and
13 alert levels of United States intercontinental ballistic
14 missiles would be contrary to longstanding United
15 States policy, and deeply harmful to national secu-
16 rity and strategic stability in a crisis.

17 (b) IN GENERAL.—

1 (1) PROHIBITION.—None of the funds author-
2 ized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise
3 made available for fiscal year 2016 shall be obligated
4 or expended for reducing, or preparing to reduce,
5 the responsiveness or alert level of United States
6 intercontinental ballistic missiles.

7 (2) CLARIFICATION RELATING TO MAINTENANCE, SAFETY, SECURITY, ETC.—Paragraph (1)
8 shall not apply to any of the following activities:
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10 (A) Maintenance or sustainment of inter-
11 continental ballistic missiles.

12 (B) Ensuring the safety, security, or reli-
13 ability of intercontinental ballistic missiles.

