

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 119-8
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At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 17 ____ . REVIEW OF SECURITY ASSISTANCE FOR ARME-**
2 **NIA.**

- 3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
4 date of the enactment of this section, and not less than
5 annually thereafter, the Secretary of Defense, in coordina-
6 tion with each other national security agency such Sec-
7 retary determines appropriate, shall certify to the congres-
8 sional defense committees that the Government of Azer-
9 baijan has taken meaningful steps towards the following:
- 10 (1) Uphold its commitments under the Joint
11 Declaration.
- 12 (2) Completely withdraw all military forces
13 from the sovereign territory of Armenia.
- 14 (3) Unconditionally release all Armenian pris-
15 oners.
- 16 (4) Cease engaging in hostilities towards Arme-
17 nia.
- 18 (5) Recognize a right of return for ethnic Ar-
19 menians to their homes in Nagorno-Karabakh and

1 commit to the preservation of Armenian cultural and
2 religious sites in Nagorno-Karabakh.

3 (b) SECURITY ASSISTANCE REVIEW.—If the Sec-
4 retary of Defense cannot certify the information under
5 subsection (a), such Secretary shall, not later than 14
6 days after the date on which any such certification is re-
7 quired to be made, conduct an immediate review of United
8 States security assistance for the Republic of Armenia
9 (hereinafter “Armenia”) to assess gaps in Armenia’s de-
10 terrence and self-defense capabilities.

11 (c) REPORT.—Upon the completion the review re-
12 quired under subsection (b), the Secretary of Defense, in
13 coordination with the Commander of the United States
14 European Command and each other national security
15 agency such Secretary determines appropriate, shall sub-
16 mit a report to the congressional defense committees that
17 includes the following:

18 (1) An assessment of the scale and nature of
19 threats to Armenia.

20 (2) An evaluation of historical and current
21 United States security assistance for Armenia in-
22 cluding International Security Cooperation Pro-
23 grams, Foreign Military Financing, and Inter-
24 national Military Education and Training support.

1 (3) Identification of gaps in Armenia's imme-
2 diate and long-term defense needs, including defense
3 articles, services, and military training.

4 (4) A summary of immediate steps the Depart-
5 ment of Defense is taking to increase security co-
6 operation with Armenia.

7 (5) Recommendations for further increasing se-
8 curity assistance for Armenia to address shortfalls in
9 Armenia's self-defense capabilities to deter aggres-
10 sion.

