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

SEC. 12. REPORT ON ANNUAL DEFENSE SPENDING BY ALLY AND PARTNER COUNTRIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 6 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit to the congressional defense committees, the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives, and the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate a report that includes a description of—

(1) the annual defense spending of each mutual defense treaty ally and major non-NATO ally, including the nominal budget figure and the share of such spending as a percentage of the ally’s gross domestic product, for the fiscal year immediately preceding the fiscal year in which the report is submitted;

(2) the activities of each such ally in contributing to military or stability operations in which the Armed Forces participate;
(3) any limitations that each such ally places on the use of the Armed Forces of such ally for such military or stability operations; and
(4) any actions undertaken by the United States or other countries to minimize or modify such limitations.

(b) FORM.—The report required by subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may contain a classified annex.

(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) MUTUAL DEFENSE TREATY ALLY.—The term “mutual defense treaty ally” means a country that is a party to a treaty of mutual defense with the United States.

(2) MAJOR NON-NATO ALLY.—The term “major non-NATO ally” means a country so designated pursuant to section 2350a or section 517 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961.