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At the end of title V of division D, insert the following:

1	SEC. 30504. REPORT ON SUPPORT FOR BIODEFENSE STEER-
2	ING COMMITTEE IN IMPLEMENTATION OF
3	NATIONAL BIODEFENSE STRATEGY.
4	(a) Report.—Not later than 180 days after the date
5	of the enactment of this Act, the Director of National In-
6	telligence, in coordination with the heads of such other ele-
7	ments of the intelligence community as the Director may
8	determine relevant, shall submit to the congressional intel-
9	ligence committees a report on the efforts of the intel-
10	ligence community to support the Biodefense Steering
11	Committee in the implementation of the National Bio-
12	defense Strategy.
13	(b) Matters.—The report under subsection (a) shall
14	include the following:
15	(1) A description of any previous, ongoing, or
16	planned efforts or activities of the intelligence com-
17	munity to support the implementation of the Na-

1	tional Biodefense Strategy by the Biodefense Steer-
2	ing Committee.
3	(2) An inventory and assessment of any exist-
4	ing strategy, plan, or policy of the intelligence com-
5	munity, or interagency agreement entered into by
6	the intelligence community, that relates to the provi-
7	sion of support to the Biodefense Steering Com-
8	mittee, including for the implementation of the Na-
9	tional Biodefense Strategy.
10	(3) A description of assessed opportunities for
11	the intelligence community to further enhance the
12	capabilities and effectiveness of the Biodefense
13	Steering Committee with respect to the implementa-
14	tion of the National Biodefense Strategy.
15	(4) An assessment of foreign biological threats
16	emanating from the territory of, or sponsored by, a
17	covered country.
18	(c) FORM.—The report under subsection (a) may be
19	submitted in classified form.
20	(d) Definitions.—In this section:
21	(1) BIODEFENSE.—The term "biodefense" in-
22	cludes actions to counter biological threats, reduce
23	risks relating to biolgoical threats, and prepare for,
24	respond to, and recover from, biological incidents.

1	(2) BIODEFENSE STEERING COMMITTEE.—The
2	term "Biodefense Steering Committee" means the
3	committee established pursuant to the presidential
4	memorandum issued on September 18, 2018, and ti-
5	tled "Presidential Memorandum on the Support for
6	National Biodefense", or any successor to such com-
7	mittee.
8	(3) BIOLOGICAL THREAT.—The term "biologi-
9	cal threat" includes biological warfare, bioterrorism,
10	naturally occurring infectious diseases, and acci-
11	dental exposures.
12	(4) Congressional intelligence commit-
13	TEES; INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY.—The terms
14	"congressional intelligence committees" and "intel-
15	ligence community" have the meanings given those
16	terms in section 3 of the National Security Act of
17	1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003).
18	(5) COVERED COUNTRY.—The term "covered
19	country' means—
20	(A) the People's Republic of China;
21	(B) the Russian Federation;
22	(C) the Islamic Republic of Iran;
23	(D) the Democratic People's Republic of
24	Korea:

1	(E) any country with a known history of,
2	or assessed to have conditions present for, in-
3	fectious disease outbreaks or epidemics; and
4	(F) any other country the Director of Na-
5	tional Intelligence determines appropriate.
6	(6) Foreign biological threat.—The term
7	"foreign biological threat" means biological warfare,
8	bioterrorism, naturally occurring infectious diseases,
9	and accidental exposures to biological materials,
10	without regard to whether the threat originates from
11	a state actor, a non-state actor, natural conditions,
12	or an undetermined source.
13	(7) National biodefense strategy.—The
14	term "National Biodefense Strategy" means the
15	strategy specified in section 1086 of the National
16	Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2017 (6
17	U.S.C. 104).

