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At the end of subtitle C of title XVI, add the following new section:

SEC. 16. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON CYBER STRATEGY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.

(a) FINDINGS.—

   (1) The North Atlantic Treaty Organization (commonly known as “NATO”) remains a critical alliance for the United States and a cost-effective, flexible means of providing security to the most important allies of the United States.

   (2) The regime of Russian President Vladimir Putin is actively working to erode democratic systems of NATO member states, including the United States.

   (3) According to the report of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence dated January 6, 2017, on the Russian Federation’s efforts to influence the United States presidential election: “Russian efforts to influence the 2016 presidential election represent the most recent expression of Mos-
cow’s longstanding desire to undermine the US-led liberal democratic order.”.

(4) As recently as May 4, 2017, the press reported malicious cyber activities against French President Emmanuel Macron’s campaign, likely attributable to Russian actors.

(5) It is in the core interests of the United States to cooperate with NATO member states to deter and defend against Russian cyber and influence operations.

(6) Enhanced cyber capabilities would enable the United States to demonstrate strength and deter the Russian Federation from threatening NATO, while reassuring allies.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS ON CYBER STRATEGY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE.—It is the sense of Congress that —

(1) the Secretary of Defense should update the cyber strategy of the Department of Defense (as that strategy is described in the Department of Defense document titled “The Department of Defense Cyber Strategy” dated April 15, 2015); and

(2) in updating the cyber strategy of the Department, the Secretary should—
(A) specifically develop plans for increasing cyber cooperation with NATO partners; and (B) assist NATO partners, through the NATO Cooperative Cyber Center of Excellence and other entities, in developing offensive cyber capabilities.