

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 115-70
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At the end of subtitle A of title XII, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 12 ____ . ENHANCED MILITARY ACTIVITIES.**

2 (a) **NATO EXERCISES.**—The Secretary of Defense,
3 in consultation with appropriate officials of other member
4 countries of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, shall
5 seek opportunities to conduct more NATO naval exercises
6 in the Baltic and Black Seas, as well as in the northern
7 Atlantic Ocean, to defend the seas around Europe and
8 deter Russian aggression in those regions.

9 (b) **JOINT RESEARCH PROJECTS.**—The Secretary of
10 Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of State, may
11 conduct joint research projects with NATO allies pursuant
12 to the authorities under chapter 138 of title 10, United
13 States Code, including projects through NATO Centers of
14 Excellence, to—

15 (1) improve NATO reconnaissance capabilities
16 to track Russian military exercises;

17 (2) enhance NATO anti-submarine warfare ca-
18 pabilities against Russia;

1 (3) increase the numbers of modern sensors
2 placed on NATO aircraft, submarines, and surface
3 ships; or

4 (4) enhance NATO capabilities to detect and
5 deter Russian information operations.

