

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 114-14
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At the end of subtitle G of title XII (page 622, after line 22), add the following:

1 **SEC. 12xx. REPORT ON IMPACT OF ANY SIGNIFICANT RE-**
2 **DUCTION IN UNITED STATES TROOP LEVELS**
3 **OR MATERIEL IN EUROPE ON NATO'S ABILITY**
4 **TO CREDIBLY ADDRESS EXTERNAL THREATS**
5 **TO ANY NATO MEMBER STATE.**

6 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
7 gress that—

8 (1) in order to demonstrate United States com-
9 mitment to North Atlantic Treaty Organization
10 (NATO) allies, especially those NATO allies under
11 pressure on the Eastern flank of the Alliance, and
12 to enhance the United States deterrent presence and
13 resolve to countering threats to NATO's collective
14 security, United States Armed Forces stationed and
15 deployed in Europe should be increased in number
16 and combat power; and

17 (2) the “current and foreseeable security envi-
18 ronment”, as referenced in paragraph 12 of Section
19 IV on Political-Military Matters of the Founding Act

1 on Mutual Relations, Cooperation and Security be-
2 tween NATO and the Russian Federation (NATO-
3 Russia Founding Act), has changed significantly
4 since the signing of such Act in 1997 and thus such
5 Act should not be read, interpreted, or implemented
6 so as to constrain or in any way limit additional per-
7 manent stationing of substantial combat forces any-
8 where on the territory of any NATO member State
9 in furtherance of NATO's core mission of collective
10 defense and other missions.

11 (b) REPORT.—

12 (1) IN GENERAL.—In order to ensure that the
13 United States contribution to NATO's core mission
14 of collective defense remains robust and ready to
15 meet any future challenges, the Secretary of Defense
16 shall submit to the appropriate congressional com-
17 mittees a report on the impact of any significant re-
18 duction in United States troop levels or materiel in
19 Europe on NATO's ability to credibly deter, resist,
20 and, if necessary, repel external threats to any
21 NATO member State.

22 (2) DEADLINE.—The report required under
23 paragraph (1) shall be submitted not later than 30
24 days prior to the date on which any significant re-

1 duction described in paragraph (1) is scheduled to
2 take place.

3 (3) FORM.—The report required under para-
4 graph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form,
5 but may contain a classified annex if necessary to
6 protect the national security interests of the United
7 States.

8 (4) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term
9 “appropriate congressional committees” means—

10 (A) the Committee on Armed Services and
11 the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Sen-
12 ate; and

13 (B) the Committee on Armed Services and
14 the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House
15 of Representatives.

