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Add at the end of subtitle H of title X the following new section:

1 SEC. 10____. REPORTS ON REDUCING THE BACKLOG IN LE 2 GALLY REQUIRED HISTORICAL DECLAS 3 SIFICATION OBLIGATIONS.

4 (a) REPORT.—Not later than 120 days after the date 5 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, 6 the Secretary of State, and the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency shall each submit to the appropriate 7 8 congressional committees a report detailing progress made 9 by the Secretary or the Director, as the case may be, to-10 ward reducing the backlog in legally required historical declassification obligations. 11

12 (b) ELEMENTS.—Each report under subsection (a)13 shall include the following:

14 (1) A plan to achieve legally mandated histor15 ical declassification requirements and reduce back16 logs.

17 (2) A plan to incorporate new technologies,18 such as artificial intelligence, that would increase

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productivity and reduce cost in implementing the
 plan under paragraph (1).

3 (3) A detailed assessment of the documents re4 leased in each of the proceeding three years before
5 the date of the report, broken out by program, such
6 as the 25 and 50 year programs.

7 (4) A detailed assessment of the documents
8 awaiting review for release and an estimate of how
9 many documents will be released in each of the next
10 three years.

(5) Potential policy, resource, and other options
available to the Secretary or the Director, as the
case may be, to reduce backlogs.

14 (6) The progress and objectives of the Secretary
15 or the Director, as the case may be, with respect to
16 the release of documents for publication in the For17 eign Relations of the United States series or to fa18 cilitate the public accessibility of such documents at
19 the National Archives or presidential libraries, or
20 both.

(c) FORM AND AVAILABILITY.—Each report under
subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form,
which shall be made publicly available, but may include
a classified annex.

(d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES
 DEFINED.—In this section, the term "appropriate con gressional committees" means—

4 (1) the congressional defense committees;

5 (2) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the
6 Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the
7 House of Representatives; and

8 (3) the Committee on Foreign Relations and9 the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate.

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