

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 118–10
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At the end of subtitle B of title XVIII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . STUDY ON THE FUTURE OF NEW START.**

2 (a) **STUDY.**—The Secretary of State, in consultation
3 with the Secretary of Defense and the Director of National
4 Intelligence, shall conduct the following assessments:

5 (1) An updated assessment of Russia’s non-
6 compliance and purported suspension of the New
7 START treaty, including the current size of the
8 Russian strategic and nonstrategic nuclear arsenal,
9 including a determination whether the Russian stra-
10 tegic nuclear arsenal has exceeded the treaty’s cen-
11 tral limits at any point since 2020.

12 (2) An assessment of the implications, in terms
13 of military threat to the United States or its allies
14 in Europe, of Russian deployment of strategic nu-
15 clear arms arsenal in the event that—

16 (A) the New START treaty expires with
17 no replacement arms control arrangement; or

18 (B) the United States or Russia officially
19 withdraw from the treaty.

1 (3) An assessment of the impact that an expira-
2 tion of New START treaty with no replacement
3 arms control arrangement, or a United States or
4 Russian withdrawal from New START, could have
5 on—

6 (A) long-term strategic stability between
7 the United States and Russia, and

8 (B) the People’s Republic of China’s nu-
9 clear posture.

10 (4) An assessment of the status of consultations
11 with United States allies and partners regarding
12 Russia’s noncompliance and purported suspension of
13 the New START treaty, the threat posed by Rus-
14 sia’s strategic and nonstrategic nuclear arsenals, and
15 the potential for an expiration or lapse of New
16 START with no replacement arms control arrange-
17 ment between the United States and Russia.

18 (5) An assessment of the likelihood of a deci-
19 sion by Russia to fully comply with the New START
20 treaty.

21 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date
22 of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall sub-
23 mit to the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee
24 on Foreign Relations and the Select Committee on Intel-
25 ligence of the Senate and the Committee on Armed Serv-

1 ices, the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the Perma-
2 nent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of
3 Representatives a report containing the results of each as-
4 sessment required by subsection (a).

5 (c) FORM.—The report required by subsection (b)
6 may be submitted in classified form with an unclassified
7 summary.

8 (d) NEW START TREATY DEFINED.—In this sec-
9 tion, the term “New START” and “New START treaty”
10 means the treaty between the United States of America
11 and the Russian Federation on Measures for the Further
12 Reduction and Limitation of Strategic Offensive Arms,
13 signed at Prague, April 8, 2010, and entered into force
14 February 5, 2011.

