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At the end of subtitle E of title X, insert the following:

SEC. 10. INTERAGENCY STRATEGY TO DISRUPT AND DISMANTLE NARCOTICS PRODUCTION AND TRAFFICKING AND AFFILIATED NETWORKS LINKED TO THE REGIME OF BASHAR AL-ASSAD IN SYRIA.

(a) Sense of Congress.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the captagon trade linked to the regime of Bashar al-Assad in Syria is a transnational security threat; and

(2) the United States should develop and implement an interagency strategy to deny, degrade, and dismantle Assad-linked narcotics production and trafficking networks.

(b) Report and Strategy Required.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of State, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Administrator of the Drug En-
forcement Administration, the Director of National Intel-
ligence, and the heads of other appropriate Federal agen-
cies shall jointly submit to the appropriate congressional
committees a report containing a strategy to disrupt and
dismantle narcotics production and trafficking and affili-
ated networks linked to the regime of Bashar al-Assad in
Syria. Such strategy shall include each of the following:

(1) A strategy to target, disrupt and degrade
networks that directly and indirectly support the
narcotics ?infrastructure of the Assad regime, par-
ticularly through diplomatic and intelligence support
to law enforcement investigations.

(2) The use of sanctions authorities and associ-
ated actions to target individuals and entities di-
rectly or indirectly associated with the narcotics in-
frastructure of the Assad regime.

(3) The use global diplomatic engagements as-
associated with the economic pressure campaign
against the Assad regime to target its narcotics in-
frastructure.

(4) Leveraging multilateral institutions and co-
operation with international partners to disrupt the
narcotics infrastructure of the Assad regime.
(5) Mobilizing a public communications campaign to increase awareness of the extent of the connection of the Assad regime to illicit narcotics trade.

(e) FORM OF REPORT.—The report required under subsection (b) shall be submitted in an unclassified form, but may contain a classified annex.

(d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—In this section, the term “appropriate congressional committees” means—

(1) the congressional defense committees;

(2) the Committee on the Judiciary, the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee on Financial Services, and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives; and

(3) the Committee on the Judiciary, the Committee on Foreign Relations, the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate.