Amendment to H.R. 5743, as Reported Offered by Mr. Holt of New Jersey

At the end of title V, add the following new section:

1 SEC. 504. PROHIBITION ON ASSASSINATION.

2 (a) PROHIBITION.—A person acting within the scope
3 of employment with an element of the intelligence commu4 nity or on behalf of an element of the intelligence commu5 nity may not engage in, or conspire to engage in, the as6 sassination of a United States person, unless—

- 7 (1) such United States person is directly en8 gaged in combat operations in armed conflict against
 9 the United States; and
- 10 (2) the Director of National Intelligence and 11 the Attorney General have certified to the congres-12 sional intelligence committees that the United States 13 lacks the ability to otherwise apprehend such United 14 States person, except this clause shall not apply in 15 a case where there is an imminent threat of bodily harm or death to a United States citizen or an em-16 17 ployee or asset of the United States Government by 18 such United States person.

19 (b) INVESTIGATION.—The Inspector General of the20 Office of the Director of National Intelligence shall inves-

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1 tigate any incident involving an allegedly inadvertent in-2 jury or death of a United States person attributable to 3 activities conducted in accordance with subsection (a) to 4 determine whether such injury or death was inadvertent 5 and shall submit to the congressional intelligence commit-6 tees a report containing the findings of the investigation, 7 unless such findings will serve as the basis for a criminal 8 prosecution.

9 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10 (1) ASSASSINATION.—The term "assassination"
11 means the intentional targeted killing of a human
12 being.

(2) UNITED STATES PERSON.—The term
"United States person" has the meaning given such
term in section 101 of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 (50 U.S.C. 1801).

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