

AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
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In subtitle F of title X, add at the end the following:

1 **SEC. 10 ____ . REPORT AND BRIEFING ON SECURITY IMPLICA-**
2 **TIONS OF WATER SCARCITY AND FOOD SECU-**
3 **RITY FOR UNITED STATES CENTRAL COM-**
4 **MAND.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
6 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense
7 shall submit a report and provide a briefing to the con-
8 gressional defense committees on the feasibility and advis-
9 ability of including water scarcity and food security in the
10 risk assessments and operational plans of the United
11 States Central Command.

12 (b) ELEMENTS.—The report required by subsection
13 (a) shall include the following:

14 (1) An assessment of each of the following:

15 (A) The security and operational resilience
16 risks associated with regional water scarcity.

17 (B) The cross-border security and oper-
18 ational resilience ramifications of the challenges
19 of water scarcity and food insecurity in the area

1 of responsibility of the United States Central
2 Command.

3 (C) The implications of such challenges for
4 United States and partner country capabilities
5 and defense postures in such area of responsi-
6 bility, including the implications for—

7 (i) members of the United States
8 Armed Forces and members of the military
9 forces of partner countries; and

10 (ii) platforms, weapons systems, intel-
11 ligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance
12 capabilities, physical infrastructure, and
13 supply chains.

14 (D) The feasibility and advisability of inte-
15 grating the security implications of such chal-
16 lenges into risk assessments.

17 (2) An evaluation of the feasibility, benefits,
18 and expected outcomes of establishing an inter-
19 agency working group with eligible participants to
20 address water scarcity and food security within the
21 area of responsibility of the United States Central
22 Command.

23 (c) ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANT DEFINED.—In this sec-
24 tion, the term “eligible participant” means—

1 (1) a partner country within the area of respon-
2 sibility of the United States Central Command or a
3 representative of such a partner country; and

4 (2) any other participant within such area of
5 responsibility the Commander of the United States
6 Central Command considers appropriate, including
7 an expert from government, civil society, academia,
8 or the private sector.

