AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT
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At the end of subtitle E of title XII of division A, insert the following:

SEC. __. REPORT, DETERMINATION, AND STRATEGY REGARDING THE TERRORISTS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ATTACK AGAINST UNITED STATES PERSONNEL IN BENGHAZI, LIBYA, AND OTHER REGIONAL THREATS.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

(1) On September 11, 2012, United States facilities in Benghazi, Libya were attacked by an organized group of armed terrorists, killing United States Ambassador Chris Stevens, Sean Smith, Glen Doherty, and Tyrone Woods.

(2) On September 14, 2012, President Obama stated that: “We will bring to justice those who took them from us. . .making it clear that justice will come to those who harm Americans.”.

(3) On May 1, 2014, White House spokesman Jay Carney stated that: “I can assure you that the President’s direction is that those who killed four
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Americans will be pursued by the United States until they are brought to justice. And if anyone doubts that, they should ask...friends and family members of Osama bin Laden.”.

(4) In testimony before Congress in October 2013, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Martin Dempsey, asserted that the President lacks the authority to use military force to find and kill the Benghazi attackers.

(5) Since the Benghazi attacks, the President has not requested authority from Congress to use military force against the Benghazi attackers.

(6) No terrorist responsible for the Benghazi attacks has been brought to justice.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of the Congress that—

(1) the persons and organizations who carried out the attacks on United States personnel in Benghazi, Libya on September 11 and 12, 2012, pose a continuing threat to the national security of the United States;

(2) the failure to hold any individual responsible for these terrorist attacks is a travesty of justice, and undermines the national security of the United States; and
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(3) the uncertainty surrounding the authority
of the President to use force against the terrorists
responsible for the attack against United States per-
sonnel in Benghazi, Libya, undermines the President
as Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the
United States.

c) REPORT AND DETERMINATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after
the date of the enactment of this Act, the President
shall submit to Congress—

(A) a report that contains—

(i) the identity and location of those
persons and organizations that planned,
authorized, or committed the attacks
against the United States facilities in
Benghazi, Libya that occurred on Sep-
tember 11 and 12, 2012; and

(ii) a detailed and specific description
of all actions that have been taken to kill
or capture any of the persons described in
clause (i); and

(B) a determination regarding whether the
President currently possesses the authority to
use the Armed Forces of the United States
against all persons and organizations described in subparagraph (A)(i).

(2) FORM.—The report and determination described in this subsection shall be submitted in unclassified form to the maximum extent possible, and may contain a classified annex.

(d) STRATEGY TO COMBAT REGIONAL TERRORIST THREATS.—

(1) TIMING AND CONTENT.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the President shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a comprehensive strategy to counter the growing threat posed by radical Islamist terrorist groups in North Africa, West Africa, and the Sahel, which shall include, among other things—

(A) a strategy to bring to justice those persons who planned, authorized, or committed the terrorist attacks against the United States facilities in Benghazi, Libya that occurred on September 11 and 12, 2012;

(B) a description of the radical Islamist terrorist groups active in North Africa, West Africa, and the Sahel, including an assessment of their origins, strategic aims, tactical methods, funding sources, leadership, and relation-
ships with other terrorist groups or state actors;

(C) a description of the key military, diplomatic, intelligence, and public diplomacy resources available to address these growing regional terrorist threats; and

(D) a strategy to maximize the coordination between, and the effectiveness of, United States military, diplomatic, intelligence, and public diplomacy resources to counter these growing regional terrorist threats.

(2) FORM.—The strategy described in this subsection shall be submitted in unclassified form to the maximum extent possible, and may contain a classified annex.

(3) DEFINITION OF APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—In this subsection, the term “appropriate congressional committees” means—

(A) the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Foreign Relations, and the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate; and

(B) the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the Perma-
ent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives.