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At the end of title V, add the following:

SEC. 5. ASSESSMENTS REGARDING THE NORTHERN TRIANGLE AND MEXICO.

(a) ASSESSMENTS OF ACTIVITIES BY DRUG TRAFFICKING ORGANIZATIONS IN THE NORTHERN TRIANGLE AND MEXICO.—

(1) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of National Intelligence, in coordination with the Chief of Intelligence of the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Assistant Secretary of State for Intelligence and Research, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report containing an analytical assessment of the activities of drug trafficking organizations in the Northern Triangle and Mexico. Such assessment shall include, at a minimum—

(A) an assessment of the effect of drug trafficking organizations on the security and economic situation in the Northern Triangle;
(B) an assessment of the effect of the activities of drug trafficking organizations on the migration of persons from the Northern Triangle to the United States-Mexico border;

(C) a summary of any relevant activities by elements of the intelligence community in relation to drug trafficking organizations in the Northern Triangle and Mexico;

(D) a summary of key methods and routes used by drug trafficking organizations in the Northern Triangle and Mexico to the United States;

(E) an assessment of the intersection between the activities of drug trafficking organizations, human traffickers and human smugglers, and other organized criminal groups in the Northern Triangle and Mexico; and

(F) an assessment of the illicit funds and financial transactions that support the activities of drug trafficking organizations and connected criminal enterprises in the Northern Triangle and Mexico.

(2) Form.—The report required by paragraph (2) may be submitted in classified form, but if so submitted, shall contain an unclassified summary.
(3) AVAILABILITY.—The report under paragraph (1), or the unclassified summary of the report described in paragraph (2), shall be made publicly available.

(b) ASSESSMENT OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND SMUGGLING FROM THE NORTHERN TRIANGLE TO THE UNITED STATES-MEXICO BORDER.—

(1) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of National Intelligence, in coordination with the Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Intelligence and Analysis and the Assistant Secretary of State for Intelligence and Research, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report containing an analytical assessment of human trafficking and human smuggling by individuals and organizations in the Northern Triangle and Mexico. Such assessment shall include, at a minimum—

(A) an assessment of the effect of human trafficking and human smuggling on the security and economic situation in the Northern Triangle;

(B) a summary of any relevant activities by elements of the intelligence community in re-
lation to human trafficking and human smuggling in the Northern Triangle and Mexico;

(C) an assessment of the methods and routes used by human traffickers and human smuggler organizations to move persons from the Northern Triangle to the United States-Mexico border;

(D) an assessment of the intersection between the activities of human traffickers and human smugglers, drug trafficking organizations, and other organized criminal groups in the Northern Triangle and Mexico; and

(E) an assessment of the illicit funds and financial transactions that support the activities of human traffickers and human smugglers and connected criminal enterprises in the Northern Triangle and Mexico.

(2) FORM.—The report required by paragraph (1) may be submitted in classified form, but if so submitted, shall contain an unclassified summary.

(3) AVAILABILITY.—The report under paragraph (1), or the unclassified summary of the report described in paragraph (2), shall be made publicly available.
(c) Prioritization of Intelligence Resources for the Northern Triangle and Mexico.—

(1) Review of Intelligence Community Efforts in Northern Triangle and Mexico.—The Director of National Intelligence, in coordination with the Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Intelligence and Analysis, the Assistant Secretary of State for Intelligence and Research, the Chief of Intelligence of the Drug Enforcement Administration, and other appropriate officials in the intelligence community, shall carry out a comprehensive review of the current intelligence collection priorities of the intelligence community for the Northern Triangle and Mexico in order to identify whether such priorities are appropriate and sufficient in light of the threat posed by the activities of drug trafficking organizations and human traffickers and human smugglers to the security of the United States and the Western Hemisphere.

(2) Report and Briefings.—

(A) Report on Initial Review.—Not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of National Intelligence shall submit to the congressional intelligence committees a comprehensive description
of the results of the review required by paragraph (1), including whether the priorities described in that paragraph are appropriate and sufficient in light of the threat posed by the activities of drug trafficking organizations and human traffickers and human smugglers to the security of the United States and the Western Hemisphere. If the report concludes that such priorities are not so appropriate and sufficient, the report shall also include a description of the actions to be taken to modify such priorities in order to assure that such priorities are so appropriate and sufficient.

(B) QUARTERLY BRIEFINGS.—Not later than 90 days after the date on which the report under subparagraph (A) is submitted, and every 90 days thereafter for a 5-year period, the Director of National Intelligence shall provide to the congressional intelligence committees a briefing on the intelligence community’s collection priorities and activities in the Northern Triangle and Mexico with a focus on the threat posed by the activities of drug trafficking organizations and human traffickers and human smugglers to the security of the United States
and the Western Hemisphere. The first briefing under this subparagraph shall also include a description of the amount of funds expended by the intelligence community to the efforts described in paragraph (1) during each of fiscal years 2018 and 2019.

(3) FORM.—The report and briefings required by paragraph (2) may be submitted or provided in classified form, but if so submitted or provided, shall include an unclassified summary.

(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—The term “appropriate congressional committees” means—

(A) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee on Homeland Security, and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives; and

(B) the Committee on Foreign Relations, the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, and the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate.

(2) HUMAN TRAFFICKING.—The term “human trafficking” has the meaning given the term “severe forms of trafficking in persons” by section 103 of
(3) NORTHERN TRIANGLE.—The term “Northern Triangle” means El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras.