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At the end of subtitle C of title XIII, add the following:

1 SEC. 13. STRATEGY TO COUNTER VIOLENT EXTREMISM
AND ARMED CONFLICT IN MOZAMBIQUE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State,
in coordination with the Administrator of the United
States Agency for International Development (USAID),
the Secretary of Defense, and other departments and
agencies as deemed necessary, shall submit to the appro-
priate congressional committees a United States strategy
to counter violent extremism and armed conflict in Mo-
zambique, including through the provision of United
States assistance also intended to foster a peaceful post-
conflict transition in Mozambique.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The strategy required by subsection
(a) shall address or include the following:

(1) United States assistance provided to—

(A) the Government of the Republic of Mo-
zambique and foreign militaries, including re-
regional partners and allies, that have deployed
military trainers, combat troops, or other military assets to Mozambique for the purpose of degrading all known terrorist threats, including ISIS-Mozambique, to include United States military efforts to train and equip Mozambican forces, including any United States programs to counter violent extremism in Cabo Delgado and elsewhere in Mozambique, and any related activities pertaining to countering violent extremism, mitigating armed conflict, and establishing reasonable security conditions in areas of Mozambique from where these threats emanate; and

(B) the Government of the Republic of Mozambique or multilateral or nongovernmental recipients aimed at supporting efforts to—

(i) respond to socioeconomic or political disruptions and humanitarian needs in conflict-affected areas and among conflict-affected populations, a prospective post-conflict transition or recovery, and economic growth and development and improved livelihoods in conflict-affected areas or among conflict-affected populations; and
(ii) help address local grievances that fuel recruitment into violent extremist groups and other armed groups or otherwise reinforce such groups narratives and propaganda, including government-driven economic and political exclusion, marginalization, and alienation, socioeconomic inequality, state-sponsored land transfers resulting in population displacement, state corruption, and abuses by security forces, among other factors.

(2) Plans for future United States assistance and assessments of any past or current United States assistance to achieve stability, counter violent extremism, and to address socioeconomic, humanitarian, and security conditions in conflict-affected areas or among conflict-affected populations, including by programming or otherwise implementing—

(A) activities set out under paragraph (1)(A) or efforts related to such activities, to include efforts to ensure that such assistance is provided in accordance with international norms and Mozambican constitutional or other applicable legal provisions governing and guaranteeing human rights, civilian protection, civil
liberties, and does not exacerbate violence or
risks to non-combatants;

(B) activities set out under paragraph
(1)(B) or efforts related to such activities, in a
manner that ensures program efficacy and
complementarity between United States assist-
ance and assistance funded by other govern-
ments, multilateral entities, or agencies thereof
to support similar goals and activities;

(C) plans to deconflict all assistance pro-
vided in Mozambique with conflict mitigation
and prevention priorities; and

(D) assistance activities or programs de-
dsigned to foster and monitor adherence to inter-
national human rights and humanitarian law by
the Government of the Republic of Mozambique
or any entity receiving United States assistance
set out under paragraph (1).

(3) Assessments of—

(A) the capacity of the Government of the
Republic of Mozambique to effectively imple-
ment, benefit from, or use the assistance de-
scribed in paragraph (1);

(B) the impact of assistance described in
paragraph (1) on local political and social dy-
namics, including a description of any consultations with local civil society;

(C) the efficacy and impact of past and current United States assistance described in paragraph (1) or to promote economic growth and development and improve livelihoods in conflict-affected areas or among conflict-affected populations; and

(D) the degree and nature of complementarities between United States assistance and assistance funded by other governments, multilateral entities, or agencies thereof to support socioeconomic and humanitarian responses, post-conflict transitions or recovery, and economic growth and development and improve livelihoods in conflict-affected areas or among conflict-affected populations, to include World Bank International Development Association (IDA) or other World Bank entity assistance to Mozambique’s Northern Crisis Recovery Project and any additional such assistance under the International Development Association Prevention and Resilience Allocation (PRA).
(4) Detailed descriptions of past, current, and planned United States assistance to achieve the objectives set out in paragraph (1), to include project or program names, activity descriptions, implementers, and funding estimates by account, if applicable.

(c) GOALS.—The strategy required by subsection (a) shall—

(1) describe United States national security interests and policy objectives in Mozambique and the surrounding region, including those affected by the presence of violent extremists and other armed groups;

(2) include a statement of key objectives pertaining to each area of planned activity or assistance, civilian or military, as well as metrics for measuring progress toward attaining such objectives, data describing the status of and progress to date toward each objective by metric, and criteria defining the United States national security interests met by countering violent extremism and supporting stabilization operations, including the degree of military degradation of ISIS-Mozambique; and

(3) be updated and transmitted to the appropriate congressional committees annually at the beginning of each fiscal year for at least 3 years, pend-
ing the attainment of such activities or assistance
meeting United States national security interests
and satisfactory end-state for security conditions as
set out in paragraph (2), as certified by a deter-
mination by the President, which shall be trans-
mited to the appropriate congressional committees.

(d) CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATION.—Not later than
15 days prior to the obligation of amounts made available
to provide assistance in Mozambique as set out under the
strategy required by subsection (a), the Secretary of State
or the Secretary of Defense, as applicable with regard to
accounts under their respective jurisdictions, and except
where otherwise required by law, shall submit to the ap-
propriate congressional committees a notification, in ac-
cordance with procedures applicable under section 634(a)
or section 653(a) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961,
as applicable, to include an identification of the amount
and purpose of assistance to be provided to Mozambique,
the account or accounts from which such assistance is
drawn or reprogrammed, and indications of concordance
between such assistance and elements of such strategy.

(e) TERMINATION.—The requirements of this section
shall terminate if the President selects Mozambique as a
“priority country” pursuant to section 505 of the Global
Fragility Act of 2019 (22 U.S.C. 9804) for purposes of the requirements of that Act.

(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

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

(A) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives; and

(B) the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate.

(2) CONFLICT-AFFECTED AREA.—The term “conflict-aFFECTED area”, with respect to Mozambique, means an area in Mozambique in which ISIS-Mozambique is active or has been active, militarily or otherwise or where state military or police forces have operated to combat ISIS-Mozambique operations or activities, or where there is a significant pattern of instability, violence, and conflict.

(3) CONFLICT-AFFECTED POPULATIONS.—The term “conflict-aFFECTED populations”, with respect to Mozambique, means populations in Mozambique—

(A) affected by—
(i) ISIS-Mozambique operations or activities in conflict-affected areas; or

(ii) government or allied military or police response to such operations or activities; or

(B) that have fled conflict-affected areas.

(4) ISIS-MOZAMBIQUE.—The term “ISIS-Mozambique” means the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria-Mozambique, a group designated by the Department of State on March 10, 2021 as a Foreign Terrorist Organization under section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act and as a Specially Designated Global Terrorist (SDGT) entity under Executive Order 13224, also known as Ahlu Sunnah Wa-Jama, Ansar al-Sunna, and locally in Mozambique as al-Shabaab, among other names.