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At the appropriate place in title LX of division E, insert the following:

SEC. __. PLAN TO ADDRESS CHRONIC INSTABILITY IN THE SAHEL REGION.

(a) PLAN REQUIRED.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense and the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a plan to address chronic instability in Burkina Faso, Chad, Mali, Niger, and Mauritania.

(b) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The plan required by subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) A detailed description of all assistance provided to Burkina Faso, Chad, Mali, Niger, and Mauritania.

(2) An assessment of the root causes of instability, violence, and conflict in each country.

(3) An assessment of the efficacy of efforts to address such root causes by—
(A) the Governments of Burkina Faso, Chad, Mali, Niger, and Mauritania;

(B) the United States Government; and

(C) the European Union, the United Nations, the G5 Sahel Joint Force, or other partner governments and forces as applicable.

(4) An identification of efforts to promote democracy, governance, rule of law, protection of civilians, and human rights amid periodic coups and other unconstitutional transitions, and an assessment of the effectiveness of such efforts.

(5) A description of previous, ongoing, and planned efforts to consult with local civil society actors, as applicable, prior to providing assistance to address social, political, and economic grievances.

(6) A description of monitoring and evaluation frameworks in place to address any waste, fraud, or abuse in programs and assistance and any shortcomings in achieving the objectives of such plan.

(7) An assessment of the humanitarian impacts of any sanctions imposed with respect to such countries.

(8) Any other matters the Secretary considers to be relevant.
(c) Form.—The plan required by subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include a classified annex.

(d) Annual Report to Congress.—Not later than 1 year after the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense and Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report on progress made in implementing the plan required by subsection (a).

(e) 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.