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At the end of subtitle H of title X, add the following new section:

SEC. 10. INDEPENDENT STUDIES REGARDING POTENTIAL COST SAVINGS WITH RESPECT TO THE NUCLEAR SECURITY ENTERPRISE AND FORCE STRUCTURE.

(a) Comptroller General Report.—

(1) Requirement.—Not later than December 1, 2020, the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report containing cost analyses with respect to each of the following:

(A) Options for reducing the nuclear security enterprise (as defined by section 4002 of the Atomic Energy Defense Act (50 U.S.C. 2501)).

(B) Options for reductions in service contracts.

(C) Options for rebalancing force structure, including reductions in special operations
forces, the ancillary effects of such options, and
the impacts of changing the force mix between
active and reserve components.

(D) Options for reducing or realigning
overseas military presence.

(E) Options for the use of pre-award au-
dits to negotiate better prices for weapon sys-
tems and services.

(F) Options for replacing some military
personnel with civilian employees.

(2) FORM.—The report under paragraph (1)
shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may
contain a classified annex with respect to the mat-
ters specified in subparagraphs (A) and (C) of such
paragraph.

(b) FFRDC STUDIES.—

(1) REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary of Defense
shall seek to enter into agreements with federally
funded research and development centers to conduct
the following studies:

(A) A study of the cost savings resulting
from changes in force structure, active and re-
serve component balance, basing, and other im-
pacts resulting from potential challenges to
foundational planning assumptions.
(B) A study of the cost savings resulting from the adoption of alternatives to the current nuclear deterrence posture of the United States.

(C) A study of the cost savings of alternatives to current force structures.

(2) DETAIL REQUIRED.—The Secretary shall ensure that each study under paragraph (1) has a level of detail sufficient to allow the Director of the Congressional Budget Office to analyze the costs described in such studies.

(3) SUBMISSION.—Not later than December 1, 2020, the Secretary shall submit to the congressional defense committees each study under paragraph (1).

(4) FORM.—The studies under paragraph (1), and the report under paragraph (3), shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may contain a classified annex.

(c) INDEPENDENT STUDY.—

(1) REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary shall seek to enter into an agreement with an appropriate nonpartisan nongovernmental entity to conduct a study on possible alternatives to the current defense and deterrence posture of the United States, including challenges to foundational assumptions, and the im-
pact of such postures on planning assumptions and
requirements, basing, and force structure require-
ments.

(2) SUBMISSION.—Not later than December 1,
2020, the Secretary shall submit to the congress-
ional defense committees the study under para-
graph (1).

(d) CBO EVALUATIONS.—The Director of the Con-
gressional Budget Office shall submit to the congressional
defense committees a report evaluating the costs to carry
out the matters contained in the reports and studies under
subsections (a), (b), and (c).