

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 119-8
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At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, add the following:

1 SEC. 17_. CENTRAL ASIAN CONNECTIVITY TASK FORCE.

2 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—The President shall establish
3 a Central Asian Connectivity Interagency Task Force
4 dedicated to enhancing regional connectivity in Central
5 Asia to strengthen U.S. relationships with Central Asian
6 partners, create market opportunities for U.S. businesses,
7 reduce dependence on trade links through Russia, and
8 counter PRC influence in the region.

9 (b) COMPOSITION.—

10 (1) IN GENERAL.—The membership of the Task
11 Force shall be composed of representatives from—

12 (A) the Bureaus of South and Central
13 Asian Affairs, East Asia and Pacific Affairs,
14 and Europe and Eurasian Affairs of the De-
15 partment of State;

16 (B) the U.S. Agency for International De-
17 velopment;

1 (C) the U.S. Trade and Development
2 Agency;

3 (D) the U.S. Development Finance Cor-
4 poration; the Millennium Challenge Corpora-
5 tion;

6 (E) the International Trade Administra-
7 tion; and

8 (F) the Export-Import Bank of the United
9 States.

10 (2) CHAIR.—The Task Force shall be chaired
11 by the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs.

12 (c) FUNCTIONS.—The Task Force shall carry out the
13 following functions:

14 (1) Assessing the different lines of effort needed
15 to achieve regional connectivity in Central Asia, in-
16 cluding through roads, railways, shipping lanes,
17 ports, and digital infrastructure.

18 (2) Identifying infrastructure projects under
19 each line of effort that are good candidates for re-
20 ceiving U.S. financial and technical support.

21 (3) Working to secure contributions and tech-
22 nical support from the host country, and if applica-
23 ble, from other partner countries in East Asia,
24 South Asia, and Europe.

1 (4) Connecting with the U.S. private sector to
2 identify and facilitate market opportunities in sup-
3 port of such projects.

4 (5) Coordinating implementation of such re-
5 gional connectivity projects with Central Asian coun-
6 tries and relevant countries across South Asia, East
7 Asia, and Europe.

8 (6) Securing additional contributions and tech-
9 nical support from development finance institutions
10 for such projects.

11 (7) Identifying challenges and barriers to imple-
12 mentation and developing corresponding action plans
13 to address those barriers.

14 (d) SUNSET.—The provisions of this section shall ter-
15 minate on the date that is seven years after the date of
16 the enactment of this Act.

