

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 118-36
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At the end of subtitle C of title XVII, add the following:

1 **SEC. 17_. WESTERN HEMISPHERE BLACK PARLIAMENTAR-**
 2 **IANS CAUCUS.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

4 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
 5 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Spe-
 6 cial Representative for Racial Equity and Justice, in
 7 coordination with the Assistant Secretary for West-
 8 ern Hemisphere Affairs, shall seek to engage partner
 9 countries in the Western Hemisphere described in
 10 paragraph (2) to establish a formal Western Hemi-
 11 sphere Black Parliamentarians Caucus consisting of
 12 Black parliamentarians in the United States and
 13 such partner countries, with the goal of convening
 14 Black parliamentarians to—

15 (A) exchange lessons learned and best
 16 practices for advancing racial justice and inclu-
 17 sion, ending racial discrimination and violence,

1 and promoting equality and equity in parlia-
2 mentarians' respective countries;

3 (B) enhance bilateral and multilateral co-
4 operation on issues of importance to the Afri-
5 can diaspora in the Western Hemisphere;

6 (C) increase connections among Black par-
7 liamentarians across the Western Hemisphere
8 to support an exchange of best practices and
9 lessons learned in policy formulation; and

10 (D) foster dialogue on prospective sub-
11 national engagement to foster deeper people-to-
12 people ties.

13 (2) PARTNER COUNTRIES DESCRIBED.—The
14 partner countries described in this paragraph in-
15 clude Brazil, Colombia, Canada, Panama, Peru,
16 Honduras, Guyana, Suriname, and Ecuador.

17 (b) REGULAR MEETINGS.—The Special Representa-
18 tive for Racial Equity and Justice, in coordination with
19 the Assistant Secretary for Western Hemisphere Affairs,
20 shall seek to convene a meeting of the Western Hemi-
21 sphere Black Parliamentarians Caucus at least once every
22 four years, with a different member country hosting each
23 such convening.

24 (c) INCLUSION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS IN INTER-
25 NATIONAL EQUITY INITIATIVES.—The Special Represent-

1 ative for Racial Equity and Justice, in coordination with
2 the Assistant Secretary for Western Hemisphere Affairs,
3 shall seek to involve Black parliamentarians in bilateral
4 and multilateral efforts to promote racial equality, includ-
5 ing—

6 (1) the U.S.-Brazil Joint Action Plan to Eliminate Racial and Ethnic Discrimination and Promote
7 Equality;
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9 (2) the U.S.-Colombia Action Plan for Racial
10 and Ethnic Equality;

11 (3) the U.S.-Uruguay MOU to Promote Racial
12 and Ethnic Equality and Social Inclusion; and

13 (4) the North American Partnership for Equity
14 And Racial Justice.

