

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 118-36
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At the end of subtitle D of title XII, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 12__ . WOMEN'S ADVISORY BOARDS TO PROMOTE**
2 **WOMEN, PEACE, AND SECURITY.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF WOMEN'S ADVISORY
4 BOARDS.—Not later than 120 days after the enactment
5 of this Act, the Secretary of Defense, in coordination with
6 the Secretary of State and the Administrator of the
7 United States Agency for International Development, shall
8 establish a process to create, in accordance with sub-
9 section (b), Women's Advisory Boards to provide advice
10 with respect to peace processes and the United States pol-
11 icy response in conflict-affected countries, with the pur-
12 pose of integrating and meaningfully including the per-
13 spectives and interests of local affected women into con-
14 flict-resolution activities and peace and security processes.
15 Such Boards shall—

16 (1) be comprised of local women, youth, ethnic
17 and religious minorities, and other politically under-
18 represented or marginalized populations, consistent

1 with the Women, Peace and Security Act of 2017
2 (22 U.S.C. 2151j et seq.);

3 (2) seek to enhance the effectiveness of the
4 United States military services to include the per-
5 spectives of women and girls in disarmament, demo-
6 bilization and reintegration programs;

7 (3) be responsible for—

8 (A) encouraging partner governments to
9 adopt plans to improve the meaningful partici-
10 pation of women in peace and security proc-
11 esses;

12 (B) promoting women’s participation in
13 peace negotiations;

14 (C) ensuring that the design and content
15 of peace negotiations reflect the perspectives of
16 local women;

17 (D) advising partner militaries with re-
18 spect to including the perspectives of local
19 women in operational design of relevant train-
20 ing required under the Women, Peace and Se-
21 curity Act of 2017.

22 (b) TIMING.—At the onset of each new conflict, the
23 Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary
24 of State and the Administrator of the United States Agen-
25 cy for International Development, shall establish a Wom-

1 en's Advisory Board to be integrated into the United
2 States response to such conflict in accordance with sub-
3 section (a). The Secretary of Defense should also establish
4 Women's Advisory Boards with respect to active conflicts
5 to the extent the Secretary determines appropriate.

