

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 117-**

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Page 857, after line 6, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 1336. UNITED STATES-INDIA DEFENSE PARTNERSHIP.**

2 (a) STRONG UNITED STATES-INDIA DEFENSE PART-  
3 NERSHIP.—It is the sense of Congress that—

4 (1) a strong United States-India defense part-  
5 nership, rooted in shared democratic values, is crit-  
6 ical in order to advance United States interests in  
7 the Indo-Pacific region; and

8 (2) this partnership between the world’s oldest  
9 and largest democracies is critical and must con-  
10 tinue to be strengthened in response to increasing  
11 threats in the Indo-Pacific regions, sending an un-  
12 unequivocal signal that sovereignty and international  
13 law must be respected.

14 (b) UNITED STATES-INDIA INITIATIVE ON CRITICAL  
15 AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES (ICET).—The Congress  
16 finds that the United States-India Initiative on Critical  
17 and Emerging Technologies (iCET) is a welcome and es-  
18 sential step to developing closer partnerships between gov-  
19 ernments, academia, and industry in the United States

1 and India to address the latest advances in artificial intel-  
2 ligence, quantum computing, biotechnology, aerospace,  
3 and semiconductor manufacturing. Such collaborations be-  
4 tween engineers and computer scientists are vital to help  
5 ensure that the United States and India, as well as other  
6 democracies around the world, foster innovation and facili-  
7 tate technological advances which continue to far outpace  
8 Russian and Chinese technology.

9 (c) BORDER THREATS FROM CHINA AND RELIANCE  
10 ON RUSSIAN-BUILT WEAPONS.—Congress recognizes  
11 that—

12 (1) India faces immediate and serious regional  
13 border threats from China, with continued military  
14 aggression by the Government of China along the  
15 India-China border,

16 (2) India relies on Russian-built weapons for its  
17 national defense, and

18 (3) the United States should take additional  
19 steps to encourage India to accelerate India's transi-  
20 tion off Russian-built weapons and defense systems  
21 while strongly supporting India's immediate defense  
22 needs.

23 (d) WAIVER OF CAATSA SANCTIONS IN BEST IN-  
24 TERESTS OF UNITED STATES AND THE UNITED STATES-  
25 INDIA DEFENSE PARTNERSHIP.—While India faces im-

1 mediate needs to maintain its heavily Russian-built weap-  
2 ons systems, a waiver to sanctions under the Countering  
3 America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act during this  
4 transition period is in the best interests of the United  
5 States and the United States-India defense partnership to  
6 deter aggressors in light of Russia and China's close part-  
7 nership.

