

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 119–8
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Add at the end of subtitle A of title XVII of division
A the following:

1 **SEC. 1703. HOMELAND SECURITY BORDER THREAT ASSESS-**
2 **MENT ON TREN DE ARAGUA; STRATEGIC**
3 **PLAN.**

4 (a) THREAT ASSESSMENT.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
6 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
7 retary of Homeland Security, in consultation with
8 the intelligence community and the heads of other
9 relevant Federal departments or agencies as the Sec-
10 retary determines appropriate, shall submit to the
11 appropriate congressional committees a border
12 threat assessment regarding Tren de Aragua (in this
13 section referred to as the “threat assessment”).

14 (2) ELEMENTS.—The threat assessment shall
15 include the following:

16 (A) An identification of current and poten-
17 tial criminal threats posed by members of Tren
18 de Aragua and affiliates seeking to—

1 (i) unlawfully enter the United States
2 through the southwest, northern, or mari-
3 time border; or

4 (ii) exploit any security vulnerabilities
5 along the southwest, northern, or maritime
6 border.

7 (B) Descriptions of the following with re-
8 spect to Tren de Aragua:

9 (i) Origins.

10 (ii) Strategic aims.

11 (iii) Tactical methods.

12 (iv) Funding sources.

13 (v) Leadership structure.

14 (vi) Chronological growth and pres-
15 ence in the United States.

16 (C) Any other matters the Secretary of
17 Homeland Security considers appropriate.

18 (3) FORM.—The threat assessment shall be
19 submitted in unclassified form, but may include a
20 classified annex.

21 (b) STRATEGIC PLAN.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year
23 after the submission of the threat assessment under
24 subsection (a), the Secretary of Homeland Security,
25 in consultation with the heads of other relevant Fed-

1 eral departments or agencies as the Secretary deter-
2 mines appropriate, shall submit to the appropriate
3 congressional committees a strategic plan (in this
4 subsection referred to as the “Strategic Plan”) relat-
5 ing to countering the threats identified in the threat
6 assessment, in accordance with paragraph (2).

7 (2) CONTENTS.—The Strategic Plan shall in-
8 clude, at a minimum, a consideration of the fol-
9 lowing:

10 (A) The threat assessment, with an em-
11 phasis on efforts to mitigate the criminal
12 threats from transnational criminal organiza-
13 tions, including the threats identified in the
14 threat assessment in accordance with subsection
15 (a)(2)(A).

16 (B) Efforts to analyze and disseminate
17 border security and border threat information
18 between Department of Homeland Security bor-
19 der security components with the following:

20 (i) Other appropriate Federal depart-
21 ments and agencies with missions associ-
22 ated with the southwest, northern, or mari-
23 time border.

24 (ii) State, local, Tribal, and territorial
25 law enforcement agencies with jurisdictions

1 adjacent to the southwest, northern, or
2 maritime border.

3 (C) Efforts to locate, detect, interdict, and
4 disrupt transnational criminal organizations, in-
5 cluding Tren de Aragua.

6 (D) Efforts to prevent transnational crimi-
7 nal organizations, including Tren de Aragua,
8 from proliferating in the United States.

9 (c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

10 (1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
11 TEES.—The term “appropriate congressional com-
12 mittees” means—

13 (A) the Committee on Homeland Security
14 of the House of Representatives; and

15 (B) the Committee on Homeland Security
16 and Governmental Affairs of the Senate.

17 (2) INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY.—The term
18 “intelligence community” has the meaning given
19 such term in section 3(4) of the National Security
20 Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003(4)).

