

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 114-14
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At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the following:

1 **SEC. 12xx. LIMITATION ON MILITARY COOPERATION BE-**
2 **TWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE RUS-**
3 **SIAN FEDERATION.**

4 (a) **LIMITATION.**—None of the funds authorized to
5 be appropriated for fiscal year 2016 for the Department
6 of Defense may be used for any bilateral military-to-mili-
7 tary cooperation between the Governments of the United
8 States and the Russian Federation until the Secretary of
9 Defense, in coordination with the Secretary of State, cer-
10 tifies to the appropriate congressional committees that—

11 (1) the Russian Federation has ceased its occu-
12 pation of Ukrainian territory and its aggressive ac-
13 tivities that threaten the sovereignty and territorial
14 integrity of Ukraine and members of the North At-
15 lantic Treaty Organization; and

16 (2) the Russian Federation is abiding by the
17 terms of and taking steps in support of the Minsk
18 Protocol, signed on September 5, 2014, regarding a
19 ceasefire in eastern Ukraine.

1 (b) NONAPPLICABILITY.—The limitation in sub-
2 section (a) shall not apply to—

3 (1) any activities necessary to ensure the com-
4 pliance of the United States with its obligations or
5 the exercise of rights of the United States under any
6 bilateral or multilateral arms control or nonprolifera-
7 tion agreement or any other treaty obligation of the
8 United States; and

9 (2) any activities required to provide logistical
10 or other support to the conduct of United States or
11 North Atlantic Treaty Organization military oper-
12 ations in Afghanistan or the withdrawal from Af-
13 ghanistan.

14 (c) WAIVER.—The Secretary of Defense may waive
15 the limitation in subsection (a) if—

16 (1) the Secretary of Defense, in coordination
17 with the Secretary of State—

18 (A) determines that the waiver is in the
19 national security interest of the United States;
20 and

21 (B) submits to the appropriate congres-
22 sional committees—

23 (i) a notification that the waiver is in
24 the national security interest of the United

1 States and a description of the national se-
2 curity interest covered by the waiver; and

3 (ii) a report explaining why the Sec-
4 retary of Defense cannot make the certifi-
5 cation under subsection (a); and

6 (2) a period of 15 days has elapsed following
7 the date on which the Secretary of Defense, in co-
8 ordination with the Secretary of State, submits the
9 information in the report under subparagraph
10 (B)(ii).

11 (d) EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN MILITARY BASES.—
12 The certification requirement specified in paragraph (1)
13 of subsection (a) shall not apply to military bases of the
14 Russian Federation in Ukraine’s Crimean peninsula oper-
15 ating in accordance with its 1997 agreement on the Status
16 and Conditions of the Black Sea Fleet Stationing on the
17 Territory of Ukraine.

18 (e) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES DE-
19 FINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congres-
20 sional committees” means—

21 (1) the Committee on Armed Services and the
22 Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate; and

23 (2) the Committee on Armed Services and the
24 Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Rep-
25 resentatives.

1 (f) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section takes effect on
2 the date of the enactment of this Act and applies with
3 respect to funds described in subsection (a) that are unob-
4 ligated on or after such date of enactment.

