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At the end of subtitle C of title XII, add the following:

SEC. 12. REPORT ON LEGAL AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT MILITARY STRIKES AGAINST SYRIA.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

(1) The President authorized missile strikes against the Syrian Government on April 6, 2017, and April 13, 2018, without congressional approval.

(2) It is the President’s constitutional duty to seek legal authority and authorization from Congress to engage in war, as prescribed in the Constitution and the War Powers Resolution (Public Law 93–148; 50 U.S.C. 1541 et seq.).

(3) Under article 1, section 8, of the Constitution, Congress has the authority to “declare war”.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that Congress has a constitutional duty to debate and determine whether or not to authorize the use of military force against the Syrian Government.

(c) REPORT.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the President shall transmit