

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 116-57
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Add at the end of subtitle G of title XII the following:

1 **SEC. 12 ____. YEMEN.**

2 (a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the
3 United States—

4 (1) to protect United States citizens and strategic
5 interests in the Middle East region;

6 (2) to support United Nations-led efforts to end
7 violence in Yemen and secure a comprehensive political
8 settlement to the conflict in Yemen that results
9 in protection of civilians and civilian infrastructure
10 and alleviates the humanitarian crisis including by
11 facilitating unfettered access for all Yemenis to food,
12 fuel, and medicine;

13 (3) to encourage all parties to the conflict in
14 Yemen to participate in good faith in the United Nations-led
15 process and to uphold interim agreements
16 as part of that process to end the conflict, leading
17 to reconstruction in Yemen;

18 (4) to support United States allies and partners
19 in defending their borders and territories in order to

1 maintain stability and security in the Middle East
2 region and encourage burden sharing among such
3 allies and partners;

4 (5) to assist United States allies and partners
5 in countering destabilization of the Middle East re-
6 gion;

7 (6) to oppose Iranian arms transfers in viola-
8 tion of UN Security Council resolutions, including
9 transfers to the Houthis;

10 (7) to encourage the Government of Saudi Ara-
11 bia and the Government of the United Arab Emir-
12 ates to assist significantly in the economic stabiliza-
13 tion and eventual reconstruction of Yemen; and

14 (8) to encourage all parties to the conflict to
15 comply with the law of armed conflict, including to
16 investigate credible allegations of war crimes and
17 provide redress to civilian victims.

18 (b) REPORT ON CONFLICT IN YEMEN.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days
20 after the date of the enactment of this Act , the Sec-
21 retary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of
22 Defense and the Director of National Intelligence,
23 shall submit to the appropriate congressional com-
24 mittees a report on United States policy in Yemen.

1 (2) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The report
2 required under subsection (b) shall include the fol-
3 lowing:

4 (A) A detailed description of diplomatic ac-
5 tions taken by the United States Government to
6 help ease human suffering in Yemen, includ-
7 ing—

8 (i) United States direct humanitarian
9 assistance and United States donations to
10 multilateral humanitarian assistance ef-
11 forts, including to address the COVID-19
12 pandemic;

13 (ii) efforts to ensure that humani-
14 tarian assistance is delivered in line with
15 internationally recognized humanitarian
16 principles, and the results of such efforts;

17 (iii) efforts to facilitate humanitarian
18 and commercial cargo shipments into
19 Yemen and minimize delays associated
20 with such shipments, including access to
21 ports for humanitarian and commercial
22 cargo, and the results of such efforts;

23 (iv) efforts to work with parties to the
24 conflict in Yemen to ensure protection of

1 civilians and civilian infrastructure, and
2 the results of such efforts;

3 (iv) efforts to help the Government of
4 Yemen to create a mechanism to ensure
5 that salaries and pensions are paid to civil
6 servants as appropriate, and the results of
7 such efforts; and

8 (v) efforts to work with ROYG and
9 countries that are members of the Saudi-
10 led coalition in Yemen to address the cur-
11 rency crisis in Yemen and the solvency of
12 the Central Bank of Yemen, and the re-
13 sults of such efforts.

14 (B) An assessment of plans, commitments,
15 and pledges for reconstruction of Yemen made
16 by countries that are members of the Saudi-led
17 coalition in Yemen, including an assessment of
18 proposed coordination with the Government of
19 Yemen and international organizations.

20 (C) A description of civilian harm occur-
21 ring in the context of the conflict in Yemen
22 since Nov 2017, including—

23 (i) mass casualty incidents; and

24 (ii) damage to, and destruction of, ci-
25 vilian infrastructure and services.

1 (D) An estimated total number of civilian
2 casualties in the context of the conflict in
3 Yemen since September 2014, disaggregated by
4 year.

5 (E) A detailed description of actions taken
6 by the United States Government to support
7 the efforts of the United Nations Special Envoy
8 for Yemen to reach a lasting political solution
9 in Yemen.

10 (F) A detailed assessment of whether and
11 to what extent members of the Saudi-led coali-
12 tion in Yemen have used United States-origin
13 defense articles and defense services in Yemen
14 in contravention of the laws of armed conflict
15 when engaging in any military operations
16 against the Houthis in Yemen.

17 (G) A description of external and cross
18 border attacks perpetrated by the Houthis.

19 (H) A detailed assessment of the Govern-
20 ment of Yemen's willingness and capacity to ef-
21 fectively—

22 (i) provide public services to the peo-
23 ple of Yemen;

24 (ii) service the external debts of
25 Yemen; and

1 (iii) facilitate or ensure access to hu-
2 manitarian assistance and key commodities
3 in Yemen.

4 (I) A description of support for the
5 Houthis by Iran and Iran-backed groups, in-
6 cluding provision of weapons and training.

7 (J) A description of recruitment and use of
8 child soldiers by parties to the conflict in
9 Yemen.

10 (3) FORM.—The report required under para-
11 graph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form
12 (without the classification “For Official Use Only”)
13 but may contain a classified annex.

14 (4) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMIT-
15 TEES DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term “ap-
16 propriate congressional committees” means—

17 (A) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and
18 the Committee on Armed Services of the House
19 of Representatives;

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

23 (C) the Permanent Select Committee on
24 Intelligence of the House of Representatives;
25 and

1 (D) the Select Committee on Intelligence
2 of the Senate.

3 (c) REPORT ON UNITED STATES MILITARY SUP-
4 PORT.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
6 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the
7 Comptroller General of the United States shall sub-
8 mit to the appropriate congressional committees a
9 report on United States military support to coun-
10 tries that are members of the Saudi-led coalition in
11 Yemen since March 2015 that evaluates—

12 (A) the manner and extent to which the
13 United States military has provided and con-
14 tinues to provide support to such countries in
15 Yemen;

16 (B) the extent to which the Department of
17 Defense has determined that its advice or as-
18 sistance has—

19 (i) minimized violations of the laws of
20 armed conflict in Yemen, including any
21 credible allegations of torture, arbitrary de-
22 tention, and other gross violations of inter-
23 nationally recognized human rights by
24 ROYG and countries that are members of
25 the Saudi-led coalition in Yemen; and

1 (ii) reduced civilian casualties and
2 damage to civilian infrastructure;

3 (C) the responsiveness and completeness of
4 any certifications submitted pursuant to section
5 1290 of the John S. McCain National Defense
6 Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public
7 Law 115–232; 132 Stat. 2081); and

8 (D) the responsiveness and completeness of
9 any reports submitted pursuant to section 1274
10 of the John S. McCain National Defense Au-
11 thorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public
12 Law 115–232; 132 Stat. 2067).

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