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At the end of subtitle F of title XII, add the following new section:

1 **SEC. 12 . CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT OF MISSIONS AND**
2 **OPERATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DE-**
3 **FENSE IN AFGHANISTAN, IRAQ, KUWAIT, AND**
4 **SYRIA.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall
6 authorize and facilitate meaningful access and assistance
7 to Members of Congress of the committees of jurisdiction
8 if any such Member of Congress has made a reasonable
9 request to the chair and ranking member of such com-
10 mittee and the chair and ranking member of the relevant
11 subcommittee of such committee to conduct firsthand
12 oversight of missions and operations of the Department
13 of Defense in Afghanistan, Iraq, Kuwait, or Syria through
14 participation in a congressional delegation.

15 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

16 (1) MEMBER OF CONGRESS.—The term “Mem-
17 ber of Congress” includes a Delegate or Resident
18 Commissioner to the Congress.

1 (2) COMMITTEES OF JURISDICTION.—The term
2 “committees of jurisdiction” includes—

3 (A) the Committee on Armed Services, the
4 Committee on Foreign Relations, the Com-
5 mittee on Homeland Security and Govern-
6 mental Affairs, and the Committee on Appro-
7 priations of the Senate; and

8 (B) the Committee on Armed Services, the
9 Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee
10 on Oversight and Government Reform, and the
11 Committee on Appropriations of the House of
12 Representatives.

