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At the end of title XII, add the following:

Subtitle I—Stop Financing of Al-Shabaab Act

SEC. 1. SHORT TITLE.
This subtitle may be cited as the “Stop Financing of al-Shabaab Act”.

SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS AND STATEMENT OF POLICY.
(a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the Horn of Africa region remains integral to United States interests in Africa and the Indian Ocean region; and

(2) United States assistance and diplomatic support for the Government of Somalia and its Federal Member States must be predicated upon measurable progress toward defined benchmarks with respect to efforts to counter al-Shabaab, including the enforcement of measures to combat illicit trafficking that finances al-Shabaab.
(b) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the United States to—

(1) combat any means by which al-Shabaab obtains funding through illicit trafficking;

(2) take into consideration compliance with and enforcement of the international bans on illicit trafficking which finances al-Shabaab when providing United States assistance to any country;

(3) notify countries receiving United States security assistance which are identified by the Secretary of State or Secretary of Defense as major components of illicit trafficking routes that finance al-Shabaab, that continued assistance may depend on the full implementation of the obligations of such country to enforce as fully as possibly all restrictions against such trafficking; and

(4) ensure that continued United States security assistance to Kenya, including assistance coordinated through the Kenya-United States Liaison Office, and assistance to multilateral institutions such as the African Union Mission in Somalia (AMISOM) to combat al-Shabaab recruitment, attacks, and other operations inside Kenya also includes assistance to enable the Kenya Defense Forces to end fa-
Cilitation of trafficking that funds al-Shabaab encountered by the Kenya Defense Forces.

SEC. 3. REPORT.

(a) REPORT.—Subject to subsection (b), not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, shall submit to the relevant Congressional committees a report including the contents described in subsection (b).

(b) CONTENTS.—Each report described in subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) Information on efforts made by troop contributors to AMISOM to enforce any international bans on trafficked goods.

(2) A recommendation, including a justification for such recommendation, with respect to making certain future United States security or other assistance to any country conditional on enforcement of such international bans on illicit trafficking that finances al-Shabaab.

(3) The steps the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense have taken to encourage ending the facilitation of trafficking that finances al-Shabaab by recipients of United States security assistance.
(4) A description of the engagement of employees and contractors of the Department of State with national and regional Somali authorities, including authorities in Jubaland, to encourage such Somali authorities to implement their counter-trafficking obligations.

(5) A description of efforts taken by the governments of countries with nationals who purchase significant amounts of trafficked goods that finance al-Shabaab and a description of the steps the Secretary of State has taken to encourage such compliance.

(6) An assessment of prospective efforts to reduce the production and illicit trade of trafficked goods in Somalia, including the identification of alternative livelihoods, and means of securing income. The assessment may include recommendations from the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

(c) CLASSIFIED INFORMATION.—Each report required under subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may contain a classified annex.

(d) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “relevant Congressional committees” means—
(1) the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives; and

(2) the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate.