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

1 **SEC. 13 __ . DETERMINATION AND SUSPENSION OF CERTAIN**
2 **DEFENSE SERVICES AND SUPPORT TO SAUDI**
3 **ARABIA.**

4 (a) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the
5 United States—

6 (1) to continue to support and further efforts to
7 bring an end to the conflict in Yemen;

8 (2) to ensure United States defense articles and
9 services are not used for military operations result-
10 ing in civilian casualties;

11 (3) to ensure section 502 of the Foreign Assist-
12 ance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2302; relating to utili-
13 zation of defense articles) and section 4 of the For-
14 eign Military Sales Act (22 U.S.C. 2754) are upheld
15 and which describe the purposes for which military
16 sales by the United States are authorized, including
17 “legitimate self-defense”, “internal security”, and
18 “preventing or hindering the proliferation of weap-

1 ons of mass destruction or the means of delivering
2 such weapons”; and

3 (4) to work with allies and partners to address
4 the ongoing humanitarian needs of Yemeni civilians.

5 (b) DETERMINATION AND REPORT TO CONGRESS.—

6 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after
7 the date of the enactment of this Act, the President,
8 acting through the Secretary of State and the Sec-
9 retary of Defense, shall determine and report to ap-
10 appropriate congressional committees of whether the
11 Government of Saudi Arabia has undertaken offen-
12 sive airstrikes inside Yemen in the preceding year
13 resulting in civilian casualties.

14 (2) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The deter-
15 mination and report required by this subsection shall
16 include the following:

17 (A) A full description of any such air-
18 strikes, including a detailed accounting of civil-
19 ian casualties incorporating information from
20 non-governmental sources.

21 (B) An identification of Government of
22 Saudi Arabia air units responsible for any such
23 airstrikes.

24 (C) A description of aircraft and munitions
25 used in any such airstrikes.

1 (3) FORM.—The report required by this sub-
2 section shall be submitted in unclassified form, but
3 may contain a classified annex if necessary.

4 (c) PROHIBITION ON ISSUANCE OF LICENSES AU-
5 THORIZING EXPORTS OF CERTAIN DEFENSE SERVICES
6 TO SAUDI ARABIA.—Upon issuance of an affirmation de-
7 termination and report pursuant to subsection (b) with re-
8 spect to offensive airstrikes inside Yemen in the preceding
9 year resulting in civilian casualties, the President may not
10 issue any license, and shall suspend any license or other
11 approval issued before the date of such determination and
12 report, authorizing the export to the Government of Saudi
13 Arabia of defense services related to the sustainment,
14 maintenance, or servicing of United States-provided air-
15 craft belonging to military units determined to have un-
16 dertaken such airstrikes.

17 (d) EXCEPTION RELATING TO TERRITORIAL DE-
18 FENSE AND COUNTERTERRORISM OPERATIONS.—Not-
19 withstanding any other provision of this section, the prohi-
20 bition in subsection (c) shall not include the authority or
21 a requirement to impose any restrictions or prohibitions
22 on the issuance of licenses for defense services relating to
23 aircraft engaging in operations—

24 (1) preventing or degrading the ability of
25 Houthi (Ansar Allah) forces to launch missiles and

1 unmanned aircraft strikes into the territory of Saudi
2 Arabia;

3 (2) related directly to counterterrorism efforts
4 against Al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula (AQAP)
5 and its affiliates;

6 (3) designed to provide territorial air defense;
7 or

8 (4) directly related to the defense of United
9 States facilities or military or diplomatic personnel
10 located in Saudi Arabia.

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

14 (1) the Committee on Foreign Relations, the
15 Committee on Armed Services, and the Select Com-
16 mittee on Intelligence of the Senate; and

17 (2) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the
18 Committee on Armed Services, and the Permanent
19 Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of
20 Representatives.

