

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 119-8
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At the end of subtitle B of title XVII, add the following:

1 **SEC. 17__ . LIMITATION RELATING TO THE GOVERNMENT OF**
2 **ECUADOR.**

3 (a) LIMITATION.—None of the funds authorized to
4 be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available
5 for fiscal year 2026 for the Department of Defense for
6 security cooperation may be used for collaboration with
7 the Government of Ecuador until—

8 (1) the Secretary of Defense, in consultation
9 with the Secretary of State, submits a certification
10 to the appropriate congressional committees that—

11 (A) Ecuador is adhering to conditions re-
12 lated to the protection of human rights;

13 (B) the Government of Ecuador dem-
14 onstrates that members of the armed forces and
15 police who have committed human rights viola-
16 tions are being held accountable through appro-
17 priate judicial mechanisms and disciplinary and
18 punitive measures, in accordance with inter-
19 national standards;

1 (C) includes a description of the steps
2 taken to ensure that the Government and mili-
3 tary of Ecuador will not engage in human
4 rights violations, including any relevant training
5 to prevent such violations;

6 (D) considers relevant information and
7 data from independent Ecuadorian and inter-
8 national civil society organizations on human
9 rights violations, government efforts to mitigate
10 such violations, and security force account-
11 ability; and

12 (E) includes a determination that no Ecua-
13 dorian military or security force unit receiving
14 assistance, training, intelligence, equipment, or
15 operational support from the United States has
16 committed a gross violation of human rights
17 without being subject to effective accountability
18 measures;

19 (2) the Secretary of Defense, in consultation
20 with the Secretary of State, submits a report to the
21 appropriate congressional committees that in-
22 cludes—

23 (A) a full account of any involvement, di-
24 rect or indirect, by the Department in the
25 March 3 and March 6 operations in San

1 Martín, Ecuador, including execute orders, in-
2 telligence-sharing, planning, logistical or aerial
3 support, United States personnel or asset de-
4 ployment, and any kinetic actions by United
5 States forces, such as airstrikes;

6 (B) a detailed explanation of the legal jus-
7 tification and authorities for United States mili-
8 tary operations in Ecuador, including whether
9 the Department regards these operations as oc-
10 curring in an armed conflict governed by the
11 law of war;

12 (C) an identification of all Ecuadorian
13 military units involved in these operations and
14 documentation of any vetting conducted under
15 section 620M of the Foreign Assistance Act of
16 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2378d) or section 362 of title
17 10, United States Code (commonly referred to
18 as the “Leahy Laws”); and

19 (D) any information available to the De-
20 partment regarding credible allegations of
21 human rights abuses committed during these
22 operations, and what actions have been taken in
23 response; and

24 (3) a period of 180 days has elapsed following
25 the date of such submission.

1 (b) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES

2 DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate con-

3 gressional committees” means—

4 (1) the Committee on Armed Services and the

5 Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Rep-

6 resentatives; and

7 (2) the Committee on Armed Services and the

8 Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate.

