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Page 359, after line 4, insert the following:

SEC. 1026. CONGRESSIONAL NOTICE OF APPLICATION OF THE 2001 AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF MILITARY FORCE TO ADDITIONAL TARGETED GROUPS.

(a) Notice Required.—

(1) In General.—Not later than 30 days after the initial use of military force pursuant to the authority of the Authorization for Use of Military Force (50 U.S.C. 1541 note; Public Law 107–40) targeting any group other than a previously reported group, the Secretary of Defense shall provide to the appropriate congressional committees notice of such use of military force.

(2) Legal and Factual Justification.—

Each notice provided under paragraph (1) shall identify the targeted group and shall include the legal and factual justification for concluding that the use of military force against such targeted group is
within the authority of the Authorization for Use of Military Force.

(3) TARGETING PRIOR TO ENACTMENT.—If the initial use of military force targeting a group other than a previously reported group occurred prior to the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall submit the notice required under paragraph (1) with respect to the targeted group not later than 30 days after such date.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—The term “appropriate congressional committees” means—

(A) the Committees on Armed Services of the Senate and House of Representatives;

(B) the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and House of Representatives;

(C) the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate; and

(D) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.

(2) PREVIOUSLY REPORTED GROUP.—The term “previously reported group” means—

(A) al-Qa’ida;
(B) the Taliban, including the Haqqani Network and the Pakistani Taliban;

(C) al-Qa’ida in the Arabian Peninsula;

(D) al-Shabaab; and

(E) the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (including the branches of the group in Libya and Afghanistan).