

AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 118-10
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At the end of subtitle B of title XII, add the following:

1 **SEC. __. MODIFICATION OF ESTABLISHMENT OF COORDI-**
2 **NATOR FOR DETAINED ISIS MEMBERS AND**
3 **RELEVANT POPULATIONS IN SYRIA.**

4 (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

5 (1) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CON-
6 GRESS.—The term “appropriate committees of Con-
7 gress” means—

8 (A) the Committee on Armed Services, the
9 Committee on Foreign Relations, the Com-
10 mittee on the Judiciary, the Committee on
11 Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, the Se-
12 lect Committee on Intelligence, the Committee
13 on Appropriations, and the Committee on
14 Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
15 of the Senate; and

16 (B) the Committee on Armed Services, the
17 Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee
18 on the Judiciary, the Committee on Financial
19 Services, the Permanent Select Committee on

1 Intelligence, the Committee on Appropriations,
2 and the Committee on Homeland Security of
3 the House of Representatives.

4 (2) ISIS MEMBER.—The term “ISIS member”
5 means a person who was part of, or substantially
6 supported, the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria.

7 (3) SENIOR COORDINATOR.—The term “Senior
8 Coordinator” means the coordinator for detained
9 ISIS members and relevant displaced populations in
10 Syria designated under subsection (a) of section
11 1224 of the National Defense Authorization Act for
12 Fiscal Year 2020 (Public Law 116–92; 133 Stat.
13 1642), as amended by subsection (d).

14 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—

15 It is the sense of Congress that—

16 (A) ISIS detainees held by the Syrian
17 Democratic Forces and ISIS-affiliated individ-
18 uals located within displaced persons camps in
19 Syria pose a significant and growing humani-
20 tarian challenge and security threat to the re-
21 gion;

22 (B) the vast majority of individuals held in
23 displaced persons camps in Syria are women
24 and children, approximately 50 percent of
25 whom are under the age of 12 at the al-Hol

1 camp, and they face significant threats of vio-
2 lence and radicalization, as well as lacking ac-
3 cess to adequate sanitation and health care fa-
4 cilities;

5 (C) there is an urgent need to seek a sus-
6 tainable solution to such camps through repa-
7 triation and reintegration of the inhabitants;

8 (D) the United States should work closely
9 with international allies and partners to facili-
10 tate the repatriation and reintegration efforts
11 required to provide a long-term solution for
12 such camps and prevent the resurgence of ISIS;
13 and

14 (E) if left unaddressed, such camps will
15 continue to be drivers of instability that jeop-
16 ardize the long-term prospects for peace and
17 stability in the region.

18 (c) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—It is the policy of the
19 United States that—

20 (1) ISIS-affiliated individuals located within
21 displacement camps in Syria, and other inhabitants
22 of displacement camps in Syria, be repatriated and,
23 where appropriate, prosecuted, or where possible, re-
24 integrated into their country of origin, consistent

1 with all relevant domestic laws and applicable inter-
2 national laws prohibiting refoulement; and

3 (2) the camps will be closed as soon as is prac-
4 ticable.

5 (d) MODIFICATION OF ESTABLISHMENT OF COORDI-
6 NATOR FOR DETAINED ISIS MEMBERS AND RELEVANT
7 DISPLACED POPULATIONS IN SYRIA.—Section 1224 of the
8 National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020
9 (Public Law 116–92; 133 Stat. 1642) is amended—

10 (1) by striking subsection (a);

11 (2) by amending subsection (b) to read as fol-
12 lows:

13 “(a) DESIGNATION.—

14 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The President, in consulta-
15 tion with the Secretary of State, the Secretary of
16 Defense, the Director of National Intelligence, the
17 Secretary of the Treasury, the Administrator of the
18 United States Agency for International Develop-
19 ment, and the Attorney General, shall designate an
20 existing official in the Department of State to serve
21 within the executive branch as senior-level coordi-
22 nator to coordinate, in conjunction with other rel-
23 evant agencies, matters related to ISIS members
24 who are in the custody of the Syrian Democratic

1 Forces and other relevant displaced populations in
2 Syria, including—

3 “(A) by engaging foreign partners to sup-
4 port the repatriation and disposition of such in-
5 dividuals, including by encouraging foreign
6 partners to repatriate, transfer, investigate, and
7 prosecute such ISIS members, and share infor-
8 mation;

9 “(B) coordination of all multilateral and
10 international engagements led by the Depart-
11 ment of State and other agencies that are re-
12 lated to the current and future handling, deten-
13 tion, and prosecution of such ISIS members;

14 “(C) the funding and coordination of the
15 provision of technical and other assistance to
16 foreign countries to aid in the successful inves-
17 tigation and prosecution of such ISIS members,
18 as appropriate, in accordance with relevant do-
19 mestic laws, international humanitarian law,
20 and other internationally recognized human
21 rights and rule of law standards;

22 “(D) coordination of all multilateral and
23 international engagements related to humani-
24 tarian access and provision of basic services to,
25 and freedom of movement and security and safe

1 return of, displaced persons at camps or facili-
2 ties in Syria that hold family members of such
3 ISIS members;

4 “(E) coordination with relevant agencies
5 on matters described in this section; and

6 “(F) any other matter the President con-
7 siders relevant.

8 “(2) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—If, on the date
9 of the enactment of the Syria Detainee and Dis-
10 placed Persons Act, an individual has already been
11 designated, consistent with the requirements and re-
12 sponsibilities described in paragraph (1), the re-
13 quirements under that paragraph shall be considered
14 to be satisfied with respect to such individual until
15 the date on which such individual no longer serves
16 as the Senior Coordinator.”;

17 (3) in subsection (c), by striking “subsection
18 (b)” and inserting “subsection (a)”;

19 (4) in subsection (d), by striking “subsection
20 (b)” and inserting “subsection (a)”;

21 (5) in subsection (e), by striking “January 31,
22 2021” and inserting “January 31, 2028”;

23 (6) in subsection (f)—

24 (A) by redesignating paragraph (2) as
25 paragraph (3);

1 (B) by inserting after paragraph (1) the
2 following new paragraph (2):

3 “(2) SENIOR COORDINATOR.—The term ‘Senior
4 Coordinator’ means the individual designated under
5 subsection (a).”; and

6 (C) by adding at the end the following new
7 paragraph:

8 “(4) RELEVANT AGENCIES.—The term ‘relevant
9 agencies’ means—

10 “(A) the Department of State;

11 “(B) the Department of Defense;

12 “(C) the Department of the Treasury;

13 “(D) the Department of Justice;

14 “(E) the United States Agency for Inter-
15 national Development;

16 “(F) the Office of the Director of National
17 Intelligence; and

18 “(G) any other agency the President con-
19 siders relevant.”; and

20 (7) by redesignating subsections (e) through (f)
21 as subsections (b) through (e), respectively.

22 (e) STRATEGY ON ISIS-RELATED DETAINEE AND
23 DISPLACEMENT CAMPS IN SYRIA.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
25 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-

1 retary of State, in coordination with the Secretary of
2 Defense, the Director of National Intelligence, the
3 Secretary of the Treasury, the Administrator of the
4 United States Agency for International Develop-
5 ment, and the Attorney General, shall submit to the
6 appropriate committees of Congress an interagency
7 strategy with respect to ISIS-affiliated individuals
8 and ISIS-related detainee and other displaced per-
9 sons camps in Syria.

10 (2) ELEMENTS.—The strategy required by
11 paragraph (1) shall include—

12 (A) methods to address—

13 (i) disengagement from and preven-
14 tion of recruitment into violence, violent
15 extremism, and other illicit activity in such
16 camps;

17 (ii) efforts to encourage and facilitate
18 repatriation and, as appropriate, investiga-
19 tion and prosecution of foreign nationals
20 from such camps, consistent with all rel-
21 evant domestic and applicable international
22 laws;

23 (iii) the return and reintegration of
24 displaced Syrian and Iraqi women and
25 children into their communities of origin;

1 (iv) international engagement to de-
2 velop processes for repatriation and re-
3 integration of foreign nationals from such
4 camps;

5 (v) contingency plans for the reloca-
6 tion of detained and displaced persons who
7 are not able to be repatriated from such
8 camps;

9 (vi) efforts to improve the humani-
10 tarian conditions in such camps, including
11 through the delivery of medicine, psycho-
12 social support, clothing, education, and im-
13 proved housing; and

14 (vii) assessed humanitarian and secu-
15 rity needs of all camps and detainment fa-
16 cilities based on prioritization of such
17 camps and facilities most at risk of hu-
18 manitarian crises, external attacks, or in-
19 ternal violence;

20 (B) an assessment of—

21 (i) rehabilitation centers in northeast
22 Syria, including humanitarian conditions
23 and processes for admittance and efforts to
24 improve both humanitarian conditions and
25 admittance processes for such centers and

1 camps, as well as on the prevention of
2 youth radicalization; and

3 (ii) processes for being sent to, and
4 resources directed towards, rehabilitation
5 centers and programs in countries that re-
6 ceive returned ISIS affiliated individuals,
7 with a focus on the prevention of
8 radicalization of minor children;

9 (C) a plan to improve, in such camps—

10 (i) security conditions, including by
11 training of personnel and through con-
12 struction; and

13 (ii) humanitarian conditions;

14 (D) a framework for measuring progress of
15 humanitarian, security, and repatriation efforts
16 with the goal of closing such camps; and

17 (E) any other matter the Secretary of
18 State considers appropriate.

19 (3) FORM.—The strategy required by para-
20 graph (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but
21 may include a classified annex that is transmitted
22 separately.

23 (f) ANNUAL INTERAGENCY REPORT.—

24 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
25 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and not

1 less frequently than annually thereafter through
2 January 31, 2028, the Senior Coordinator, in co-
3 ordination with the relevant agencies, shall submit to
4 the appropriate committees of Congress a detailed
5 report that includes the following:

6 (A) A detailed description of the facilities
7 and camps where detained ISIS members, and
8 families with perceived ISIS affiliation, are
9 being held and housed, including—

10 (i) a description of the security and
11 management of such facilities and camps;

12 (ii) an assessment of resources re-
13 quired for the security of such facilities
14 and camps;

15 (iii) an assessment of the adherence
16 by the operators of such facilities and
17 camps to international humanitarian law
18 standards; and

19 (iv) an assessment of children held
20 within such facilities and camps that may
21 be used as part of smuggling operations to
22 evade security at the facilities and camps.

23 (B) A description of all efforts undertaken
24 by, and the resources needed for, the United
25 States Government to address deficits in the

1 humanitarian environment and security of such
2 facilities and camps.

3 (C) A description of all multilateral and
4 international engagements related to humani-
5 tarian access and provision of basic services to,
6 and freedom of movement and security and safe
7 return of, displaced persons at camps or facili-
8 ties in Iraq, Syria, and any other area affected
9 by ISIS activity, including a description of—

10 (i) support for efforts by the Syrian
11 Democratic Forces to facilitate the return
12 and reintegration of displaced people from
13 Iraq and Syria;

14 (ii) repatriation efforts with respect to
15 displaced women and children and male
16 children aging into adults while held in
17 these facilities and camps;

18 (iii) any current or future potential
19 threat to United States national security
20 interests posed by detained ISIS members
21 or displaced families, including an analysis
22 of the al-Hol camp and annexes; and

23 (iv) United States Government plans
24 and strategies to respond to any threat
25 identified under clause (iii).

1 (D) The number of individuals repatriated
2 from the custody of the Syrian Democratic
3 Forces.

4 (E) An analysis of factors on the ground
5 in Syria and Iraq that may result in the unin-
6 tended release of detained or displaced ISIS
7 members, and an assessment of any measures
8 available to mitigate such releases.

9 (F) A detailed description of efforts to en-
10 courage the final disposition and security of de-
11 tained or displaced ISIS members with other
12 countries and international organizations.

13 (G) A description of foreign repatriation
14 and rehabilitation programs deemed successful
15 systems to model, and an analysis of the long-
16 term results of such programs.

17 (H) A description of the manner in which
18 the United States Government communicates
19 regarding repatriation and disposition efforts
20 with the families of United States citizens be-
21 lieved to have been victims of a criminal act by
22 a detained or displaced ISIS member, in ac-
23 cordance with section 503(c) of the Victims'
24 Rights and Restitution Act of 1990 (34 U.S.C.

1 20141(c)) and section 3771 of title 18, United
2 States Code.

3 (I) An analysis of all efforts between the
4 United States and partner countries within the
5 Global Coalition to Defeat ISIS or other coun-
6 tries to share related information that may aid
7 in resolving the final disposition of ISIS mem-
8 bers, and any obstacles that may hinder such
9 efforts.

10 (J) Any other matter the Coordinator con-
11 siders appropriate.

12 (2) FORM.—The report required by paragraph
13 (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may
14 include a classified annex that is transmitted sepa-
15 rately.

16 (g) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-
17 tion, or an amendment made by this section, may be con-
18 strued—

19 (1) to limit the authority of any Federal agency
20 to independently carry out the authorized functions
21 of such agency; or

22 (2) to impair or otherwise affect the activities
23 performed by that agency as granted by law.

