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At the end of subtitle A of title XII, add the following:

| 1 | SEC. 12 REPORT ON CHIEF OF MISSION CONCURRENCE. |
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| 2 | (a) In General.—Not later than 90 days after the |
| 3 | date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of De- |
| 4 | fense, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State, shall |
| 5 | submit to the appropriate congressional committees a re- |
| 6 | port evaluating the processes by which chiefs of mission |
| 7 | provide concurrence to the exercise of the authority pursu- |
| 8 | ant to section 127e of title 10, United States Code, and |
| 9 | section 1202 of the National Defense Authorization Act |
| 10 | for Fiscal Year 2018. |
| 11 | (b) Matters to Be Included.—The report re- |
| 12 | quired by subsection (a) shall include— |
| 13 | (1) the most significant impediments to each |
| 14 | relevant chief of mission's ability to inform and con- |
| 15 | sult in a timely manner with relevant individuals at |
| 16 | relevant missions or bureaus of the Department of |
| 17 | State; |
| 18 | (2) the lessons learned from such consultations; |

| 1 | (3) procedures and agreements between depart- |
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| 2 | ments that enable Secretary of State to take such |
| 3 | steps as may be necessary to ensure that such rel- |
| 4 | evant individuals have the security clearances nec- |
| 5 | essary and access to relevant compartmented and |
| 6 | special programs to so consult in a timely manner |
| 7 | with respect to such concurrence; and |
| 8 | (4) the lessons learned from such procedures |
| 9 | and agreements and required improvements so iden- |
| 10 | tified. |
| 11 | (c) FORM.—The report required by section (a) may |
| 12 | be provided in classified form. |
| 13 | (d) Appropriate Congressional Committees |
| 14 | DEFINED.—In this section, the term "appropriate con- |
| 15 | gressional committees" means— |
| 16 | (1) the Committee on Armed Services and the |
| 17 | Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Rep- |
| 18 | resentatives; and |
| 19 | (2) the Committee on Armed Services and the |
| 20 | Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate. |

