

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1735
OFFERED BY MR. ROSKAM OF ILLINOIS

At the appropriate place in title XII of the bill, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 12xx. REPORT ON THE ASSESSMENT OF THE STRA-**
2 **TEGIC RELATIONSHIP WITH THE GOVERN-**
3 **MENT OF QATAR.**

4 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following find-
5 ings:

6 (1) The United States and the Government of
7 Qatar have fostered a working relationship on var-
8 ious issues related to United States interests in the
9 region, including Qatar’s active participation as a
10 Coalition member in Operation Inherent Resolve to
11 combat the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant.

12 (2) According to then-Under Secretary for Ter-
13 rorism and Financial Intelligence, David Cohen,
14 “Qatar, a longtime U.S. ally, has for many years
15 openly financed Hamas, a group that continues to
16 undermine regional stability.”.

17 (b) STATEMENT OF POLICY.—The Government of
18 Qatar should do more to punish private individuals en-
19 gaged in terror financing, and stop Qatari persons from

1 providing financial support to the leaders of multiple For-
2 eign Terrorist Organizations, including the Islamic State,
3 the al-Nusra Front, al-Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula,
4 al-Shabaab, the Taliban, Lashkar-e-Taiba, and al-Qaeda
5 in Pakistan.

6 (c) SENSE OF CONGRESS.— It is the sense of Con-
7 gress that the United States should continually assess its
8 strategic relationship with the Government of Qatar and
9 ensure that it aligns with United States interests.

10 (d) REPORT.—

11 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after
12 the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually
13 thereafter, the President shall submit to the speci-
14 fied congressional committees a report that—

15 (A) assesses the United States strategic re-
16 lationship with the Government of Qatar as it
17 relates to counterterrorism strategy, countering
18 illicit financing, and military cooperation;

19 (B) assesses interactions of United States-
20 designated FTOs, including Hamas, Islamic
21 State, the al-Nusra Front, al-Qaeda in the Ara-
22 bian Peninsula, al-Shabaab, the Taliban,
23 Lashkar-e-Taiba, and al-Qaeda in Pakistan,
24 within Qatari society;

1 (C) describes how the Al Udeid Air Base
2 fits into United States' strategic, national secu-
3 rity architecture for the Arabian Gulf region,
4 and the options, implications, and cost of relo-
5 cating United States military assets at the Al
6 Udeid Air Base to alternative regional bases;
7 and

8 (D) describes the steps the President is
9 taking to support the Government of Qatar to
10 prevent FTOs from operating in Qatar and to
11 stop the money flow from Qatari-based individ-
12 uals to FTOs.

13 (2) FORM.—The report required by paragraph
14 (1) shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may
15 contain a classified annex if necessary.

16 (3) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term
17 “specified congressional committees” means—

18 (A) the congressional defense committees;
19 and

20 (B) the Committee on Foreign Relations of
21 the Senate and the Committee on Foreign Af-
22 fairs of the House of Representatives.

