

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 116-19**  
**OFFERED BY MR. RUIZ OF CALIFORNIA**

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

1 **SEC. \_\_. AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE AND TRAIN-**  
2 **ING TO INCREASE MARITIME SECURITY AND**  
3 **DOMAIN AWARENESS OF FOREIGN COUN-**  
4 **TRIES BORDERING THE PERSIAN GULF, ARA-**  
5 **BIAN SEA, OR MEDITERRANEAN SEA.**

6 (a) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to au-  
7 thorize assistance and training to increase maritime secu-  
8 rity and domain awareness of foreign countries bordering  
9 the Persian Gulf, the Arabian Sea, or the Mediterranean  
10 Sea in order to deter and counter illicit smuggling and  
11 related maritime activity by Iran, including illicit Iranian  
12 weapons shipments.

13 (b) AUTHORITY.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—To carry out the purpose of  
15 this section as described in subsection (a), the Sec-  
16 retary of Defense, with the concurrence of the Sec-  
17 retary of State, is authorized—

18 (A) to provide training to the national mili-  
19 tary or other security forces of Israel, Bahrain,

1 Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates,  
2 Oman, Kuwait, and Qatar that have among  
3 their functional responsibilities maritime secu-  
4 rity missions; and

5 (B) to provide training to ministry, agency,  
6 and headquarters level organizations for such  
7 forces.

8 (2) DESIGNATION.—The provision of assistance  
9 and training under this section may be referred to  
10 as the “Counter Iran Maritime Initiative”.

11 (c) TYPES OF TRAINING.—

12 (1) AUTHORIZED ELEMENTS OF TRAINING.—  
13 Training provided under subsection (b)(1)(A) may  
14 include the provision of de minimis equipment, sup-  
15 plies, and small-scale military construction.

16 (2) REQUIRED ELEMENTS OF TRAINING.—  
17 Training provided under subsection (b) shall include  
18 elements that promote the following:

19 (A) Observance of and respect for human  
20 rights and fundamental freedoms.

21 (B) Respect for legitimate civilian author-  
22 ity within the country to which the assistance  
23 is provided.

24 (d) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—Of the amount au-  
25 thorized to be appropriated for fiscal year 2020 and avail-

1 able for operation and maintenance for Defense-wide ac-  
2 tivities, \$50,000,000 shall be available only for the provi-  
3 sion of assistance and training under subsection (b).

4 (e) COST SHARING.—

5 (1) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of  
6 Congress that, given income parity among recipient  
7 countries, the Secretary of Defense, with the concur-  
8 rence of the Secretary of State, should seek, through  
9 appropriate bilateral and multilateral arrangements,  
10 payments sufficient in amount to offset any training  
11 costs associated with implementation of subsection  
12 (b).

13 (2) COST-SHARING AGREEMENT.—The Sec-  
14 retary of Defense, with the concurrence of the Sec-  
15 retary of State, shall negotiate a cost-sharing agree-  
16 ment with a recipient country regarding the cost of  
17 any training provided pursuant to subsection (b).  
18 The agreement shall set forth the terms of cost  
19 sharing that the Secretary of Defense determines  
20 are necessary and appropriate, but such terms shall  
21 not be less than 50 percent of the overall cost of the  
22 training.

23 (3) CREDIT TO APPROPRIATIONS.—The portion  
24 of such cost sharing received by the Secretary of De-  
25 fense pursuant to this subsection may be credited to-

1       wards appropriations available for operation and  
2       maintenance for Defense-wide activities.

3       (f) NOTICE TO CONGRESS ON TRAINING.—Not later  
4 than 15 days before exercising the authority under sub-  
5 section (b) with respect to a recipient country, the Sec-  
6 retary of Defense shall submit to the appropriate congres-  
7 sional committees a notification containing the following:

8           (1) An identification of the recipient country.

9           (2) A detailed justification of the program for  
10 the provision of the training concerned, and its rela-  
11 tionship to United States security interests.

12           (3) The budget for the program, including a  
13 timetable of planned expenditures of funds to imple-  
14 ment the program, an implementation timeline for  
15 the program with milestones (including anticipated  
16 delivery schedules for any assistance and training  
17 under the program), the military department or  
18 component responsible for management of the pro-  
19 gram, and the anticipated completion date for the  
20 program.

21           (4) A description of the arrangements, if any,  
22 to support recipient country sustainment of any ca-  
23 pability developed pursuant to the program, and the  
24 source of funds to support sustainment efforts and

1 performance outcomes to be achieved under the pro-  
2 gram beyond its completion date, if applicable.

3 (5) A description of the program objectives and  
4 an assessment framework to be used to develop ca-  
5 pability and performance metrics associated with  
6 operational outcomes for the recipient force.

7 (6) Such other matters as the Secretary con-  
8 siders appropriate.

9 (g) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “appro-  
10 priate congressional committees” means—

11 (1) the Committee on Armed Services, the  
12 Committee on Foreign Relations, and the Committee  
13 on Appropriations of the Senate; and

14 (2) the Committee on Armed Services, the  
15 Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the Committee  
16 on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

17 (h) TERMINATION.—Assistance and training may not  
18 be provided under this section after September 30, 2023.

