

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 119-33**  
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At the end of subtitle D of title XII, insert the following:

1 **SEC. 12 \_\_\_\_ . SENSE OF CONGRESS ON THE PERMANENT**  
2 **AND ROTATIONAL PRESENCE OF UNITED**  
3 **STATES FORCES IN ROMANIA.**

4 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

5 (1) Romania is one of the United States most  
6 important allies on the eastern flank of the North  
7 Atlantic Treaty Organization.

8 (2) Romania occupies a strategically significant  
9 position in the Black Sea region and serves as a critical  
10 gateway for United States military operations,  
11 logistics, and power projection in Europe and adjacent  
12 regions.

13 (3) The Black Sea region remains vital to the  
14 security interests of the United States, the North  
15 Atlantic Treaty Organization, and allies and partners  
16 in Europe.

17 (4) The presence of United States military  
18 forces in Romania strengthens deterrence, enhances

1 regional stability, and contributes to the collective  
2 defense of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

3 (5) A permanent and rotational presence of  
4 United States forces in Romania increases the credi-  
5 bility of allied deterrence and raises the costs and  
6 risks associated with potential aggression against al-  
7 lies and partners in the Black Sea region.

8 (6) Expanding the permanent and rotational  
9 presence of United States military forces,  
10 prepositioned equipment, training activities, and  
11 supporting military infrastructure in Romania would  
12 strengthen deterrence, improve military readiness,  
13 and enhance the ability of the United States and its  
14 allies to respond rapidly to emerging security chal-  
15 lenges in the Black Sea region.

16 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
17 gress that the Department of Defense should seek oppor-  
18 tunities to expand the permanent and rotational presence  
19 of United States military forces, prepositioned equipment,  
20 training activities, and supporting military infrastructure  
21 in Romania in order to strengthen deterrence, readiness,  
22 and collective defense on the eastern flank of the North  
23 Atlantic Treaty Organization.

