

**AMENDMENT TO RULES COMM. PRINT 117-13**  
**OFFERED BY MR. SHERMAN OF CALIFORNIA**

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

1 **SEC. 1229. SUPPORT FOR FORCES IN IRAQ OPERATING IN**  
2 **THE NINEVEH PLAINS REGION OF IRAQ.**

3 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
4 gress that the United States should work with the Govern-  
5 ment of Iraq to ensure the safe and voluntary return of  
6 ethno-religious minority populations to their home commu-  
7 nities in the Nineveh Plains region of Iraq.

8 (b) STRATEGY.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 days  
10 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-  
11 retary of State, in consultation with the heads of  
12 other relevant Federal departments and agencies,  
13 shall provide to the appropriate congressional com-  
14 mittees a strategy to assist the Government of Iraq  
15 and relevant local authorities with the safe return of  
16 ethno-religious minorities displaced by violence in  
17 the Nineveh Plains region of Iraq.

18 (2) ELEMENTS.—The strategy required by this  
19 subsection should include the following:

1 (A) A strategy to support a political and  
2 security climate that allows ethno-religious mi-  
3 norities in the Nineveh Plains region to safely  
4 and voluntarily return to their home commu-  
5 nities as well as to administer and secure their  
6 own areas in cooperation with federal authori-  
7 ties.

8 (B) An assessment of the impact of the  
9 Iraq and Syria Genocide Relief and Account-  
10 ability Act of 2018 (Public Law 115–300) on  
11 return rates of vulnerable, indigenous, ethno-re-  
12 ligious groups, including Assyrians and Yazidis,  
13 in those areas of the Nineveh Plains region in  
14 which funds have been spent.

15 (C) A description of the progress of and  
16 ability to integrate minority security forces pre-  
17 viously trained by Combined Joint Task Force-  
18 Operation Inherent Resolve (CJTF-OIR), such  
19 as the Nineveh Plain Protection Units, into the  
20 formal and permanent Iraqi state institutions.

21 (D) A description of the negative impact of  
22 Iranian-backed militias, such as PMF Brigades  
23 30 and 50, on rates of return to, and ongoing

1 safety of communities within, the Nineveh  
2 Plains region.

