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Add at the end of subtitle C of title XIII of division A the following:

SEC. 13. REPORT ON OPEN RADIO ACCESS NETWORKS TECHNOLOGY.

(a) In General.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, in consultation the Secretary of Commerce, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report on the national security implications of open radio access networks (Open RAN or O-RAN) technology that—

(1) provides information on the Department of State’s diplomatic efforts to ensure United States leadership in international standard setting bodies for Open RAN technology;

(2) describes the involvement of China headquartered companies in Open RAN standards setting bodies such as the O-RAN Alliance;

(3) reviews the national security risks posed by the presence of entities included on the Bureau of Industry and Security’s “Entity List” in the O-RAN Alliance;
(4) determines whether entities that do business in the United States can participate in the O-Ran Alliance under existing sanctions and export control laws;

(5) analyzes whether United States national security is affected by the limited number of telecommunications equipment vendors, and examines whether the advent and deployment of Open RAN technology could affect such;

(6) outlines how the United States can work with allies, partners, and other countries to ensure that Open RAN technology maintains the highest security and privacy standards; and

(7) identifies steps the United States can take to assert leadership in Open RAN technology.

(b) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate congressional committees” means—

(1) the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives;

(2) the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate;

(3) the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives; and
(4) the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Senate.