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Add at the end of subtitle D of title XVI the following new section:

SEC. 1644. BRIEFING ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS STORAGE AND MAINTENANCE FACILITIES OF THE AIR FORCE.

Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force shall provide to the congressional defense committees a briefing on the efforts by the Secretary to harden and modernize the nuclear weapons storage and maintenance facilities of the Air Force. The briefing shall include the plans of the Secretary with respect to the following:

(1) Verifying that the Air Force is deploying tested and field-proven physical security designs of such facilities, including with respect to forced entry, blast and ballistic resistant barrier systems, that incorporate multiple reactive countermeasures for protection against the dedicated adversary threat classification level.
(2) Streamlining the procurement of the infrastructure to protect ground-based strategic deterrent weapons by ensuring that the physical security designs of such facilities are appropriately tailored to the threat.

(3) Ensuring that competitive procedures are used in awarding a contract for the physical security design of such facilities that include a fair consideration of such designs that are successfully used at other similar facilities.

(4) Ensuring that the physical security design for which such contract is awarded—

(A) meets the security requirements of all planned modernization projects for the nuclear weapons storage and maintenance facilities of the Air Force; and

(B) do not result in higher and additional costs to shore up existing infrastructure at such facilities.