AMENDMENT TO
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At the end of subtitle C of title XVIII, add the following new section:

SEC. 18. PILOT PROJECT ON WARNINGS REGARDING GRAY ZONE ACTIVITIES.

(a) Pilot Project.—

(1) Requirement.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Assistant Secretary of State for Intelligence and Research, in consultation with the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security, the Director for Intelligence of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and any official the Assistant Secretary determines appropriate, shall implement a pilot project to use the methodologies of the Defense Warning Network to—

(A) establish a warning problem for the use by adversaries of gray zone activities to develop the influence of the adversary in key countries abroad; and

(B) establish signposts to identify instances when such gray zone activities have
substantially degraded, or risk substantially de-
grading, the relationship of the United States
with the foreign country targeted by such gray
zone activities.

(2) LOCATIONS.—The Assistant Secretary of
State for Intelligence and Research shall carry out
the pilot project under paragraph (1) with respect to
5 foreign countries that the Assistant Secretary, in
consultation with the officials specified in paragraph
(1), determines appropriate based on the following
criteria:

(A) The degree to which the Assistant Sec-
retary believes an identified adversary is using
gray zone tactics to erode the influence of the
United States in that country.

(B) The ability to identify measurable
events that are associated with a loss of influ-
ence.

(C) Any other factors that would weigh in
favor of applying the enduring warning problem
to the influence of the United States in a coun-
try.

(3) FEEDBACK.—In carrying out the pilot
project under paragraph (1), the Assistant Secretary
shall solicit feedback from the consumers of intel-
ligence products generated by the pilot project to de-
termine the value of the warning problem described
in subparagraph (A) of such paragraph, including
whether such use assisted or in any way affected the
exercise of diplomatic power by the Department of
State.

(4) DURATION.—The Assistant Secretary shall
carry out the pilot project under paragraph (1) for
a 2-year period, except the Assistant Secretary may
continue to carry out the pilot project after such pe-
riod if the Assistant Secretary notifies the appro-
priate congressional committees of the rationale for
continuing to carry out the project.

(b) BRIEFINGS.—

(1) INITIAL BRIEFING.—Not later than 60 days
after the date on which the Assistant Secretary be-
gins carrying out the pilot project under subsection
(a), the Assistant Secretary shall provide to the ap-
propriate congressional committees a briefing on the
pilot project under subsection (a). Each briefing
shall include the following:

(A) A thorough discussion of the utility
and disutility of applying the methodologies of
the Defense Warning Network to the problem
of gray zone activities.
(B) The methods that the Assistant Secretary used to solicit feedback under paragraph (3) of such subsection.

(C) The effect, if any, that the pilot project had on policymakers located at the headquarters of the Department of State or in the field.

(2) UPDATE.—Not later than one year after the date on which the Assistant Secretary begins carrying out the pilot project under subsection (a), the Assistant Secretary shall provide to the appropriate congressional committees a briefing updating the matters under paragraph (1).

(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—The term “appropriate congressional committees” means the following:

(A) The Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate and the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives.

(B) The Committees on Appropriations, Armed Services, and Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.
(C) The Committees on Appropriations, Armed Services, and Foreign Relations of the Senate.

(2) Defense Warning Network.—The term “Defense Warning Network” means the network of elements of the Department of Defense that provides senior decision makers of the United States Government warning on emerging and enduring warning threats to the interests of the United States and allies of the United States, as established under Department of Defense Directive 3115.16 (or such successor directive).

(3) Warning Problem.—The term “warning problem” means a structured analytic technique that results in a watch condition and is used to assess, and warn of, the likelihood that a specific event will occur.