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Add at the end of subtitle F of title X the following:

SEC. 1062. REPORT ON AN UPDATED ARCTIC STRATEGY.

(a) REPORT ON AN UPDATED STRATEGY.—Not later than June 1, 2019, the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating with respect to Coast Guard operations and navigation issues, shall submit to the congressional defense committees a report on an updated Arctic Strategy to improve and enhance joint operations. The report shall also include an assessment of Russia’s aggressive buildup of military assets and infrastructure in the Arctic, as well as China’s efforts to influence Arctic policy.

(b) ELEMENTS.—The report required by subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) A description of a joint Arctic strategy for sea operations, including all military and Coast Guard vessels available for Arctic operations.

(2) A description of a joint Arctic strategy for air operations, which will include all rotor and fixed
wing military aircraft platforms available for Arctic operations.

(3) A description of a joint Arctic strategy for ground operations, which will include all military ground forces available for Arctic operations.

(4) An assessment of Russia’s continued aggressive buildup of military assets and infrastructure in the Arctic.

(5) An assessment of China’s efforts to influence global Arctic policy.