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AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To require certain senior-level officials to provide a briefing to the relevant congressional committees regarding the actions the United States Government has taken to further certain foreign policy objectives toward Burma.

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. HAGERTY, and Mr. CARDIN) to the amendment (No. 3867) proposed by Mr. REED

Viz:

- 1 At the end of subtitle E of title XII, add the fol-
- 2 lowing:
- 3 **SEC. 1253. SUPPORTING DEMOCRACY IN BURMA.**
- 4 (a) DEFINED TERM.—In this section, the term “ap-
- 5 propriate congressional committees” means—
- 6 (1) the Committee on Foreign Relations of the
- 7 Senate;

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

3 (3) the Committee on Appropriations of the
4 Senate;

5 (4) the Committee on Appropriations of the
6 House of Representatives;

7 (5) the Committee on Armed Services of the
8 Senate;

9 (6) the Committee on Armed Services of the
10 House of Representatives;

11 (7) the Committee on Banking, Housing, and
12 Urban Affairs of the Senate; and

13 (8) the Committee on Financial Services of the
14 House of Representatives.

15 (b) BRIEFING REQUIRED.—

16 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60 days after
17 the date of the enactment of this Act, the following
18 officials shall jointly brief the appropriate congressional
19 committees regarding actions taken by the
20 United States Government to further United States
21 policy and security objectives in Burma (officially
22 known as the “Republic of the Union of Myanmar”):

23 (A) The Assistant Secretary of State for
24 East Asian and Pacific Affairs.

1 (B) The Counselor of the Department of
2 State.

3 (C) The Under Secretary of the Treasury
4 for Terrorism and Financial Intelligence.

5 (D) The Assistant to the Administrator for
6 the Bureau for Conflict Prevention and Sta-
7 bilization.

8 (E) Additional officials from the Depart-
9 ment of Defense or the Intelligence Community,
10 as appropriate.

11 (2) INFORMATION REQUIRED.—The briefing re-
12 quired under paragraph (1) shall include—

13 (A) a detailed description of the specific
14 United States policy and security objectives in
15 Burma;

16 (B) information about any actions taken
17 by the United States, either directly or in co-
18 ordination with other countries—

19 (i) to support and legitimize the Na-
20 tional Unity Government of the Republic
21 of the Union of Myanmar, The Civil Dis-
22 obedience Movement in Myanmar, and
23 other entities promoting democracy in
24 Burma, while simultaneously denying legit-

1 imacy and resources to the Myanmar's
2 military junta;

3 (ii) to impose costs on Myanmar's
4 military junta, including—

5 (I) an assessment of the impact
6 of existing United States and inter-
7 national sanctions; and

8 (II) a description of potential
9 prospects for additional sanctions;

10 (iii) to secure the restoration of de-
11 mocracy, the establishment of inclusive and
12 representative civilian government, with a
13 reformed military reflecting the diversity of
14 Burma and under civilian control, and the
15 enactment of constitutional, political, and
16 economic reform in Burma;

17 (iv) to secure the unconditional re-
18 lease of all political prisoners in Burma;

19 (v) to promote genuine national rec-
20 onciliation among Burma's diverse ethnic
21 and religious groups;

22 (vi) to ensure accountability for atroc-
23 ities, human rights violations, and crimes
24 against humanity committed by Myanmar's
25 military junta; and

1 (vii) to avert a large-scale humani-
2 tarian disaster;

3 (C) an update on the current status of
4 United States assistance programs in Burma,
5 including—

6 (i) humanitarian assistance for af-
7 fected populations, including internally dis-
8 placed persons and efforts to mitigate hu-
9 manitarian and health crises in neigh-
10 boring countries and among refugee popu-
11 lations;

12 (ii) democracy assistance, including
13 support to the National Unity Government
14 of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar
15 and civil society groups in Burma;

16 (iii) economic assistance; and

17 (iv) global health assistance, including
18 COVID-19 relief; and

19 (D) a description of the strategic interests
20 in Burma of the People's Republic of China and
21 the Russian Federation, including—

22 (i) access to natural resources and
23 lines of communications to sea routes; and

24 (ii) actions taken by such countries—

1 (I) to support Myanmar's mili-
2 tary junta in order to preserve or pro-
3 mote such interests;

4 (II) to undermine the sovereignty
5 and territorial integrity of Burma;
6 and

7 (III) to promote ethnic conflict
8 within Burma.

9 (c) CLASSIFICATION AND FORMAT.—The briefing re-
10 quired under subsection (b)—

11 (1) shall be provided in an unclassified setting;
12 and

13 (2) may be accompanied by a separate classified
14 briefing, as appropriate.