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AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ Calendar No. \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose: To modify the sense of Congress relating to the commitment and support of the United States for allies and partners in the Indo-Pacific region.

**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—117th Cong., 1st Sess.**

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To address issues involving the People’s Republic of China.

Referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_ and ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. MARKEY

Viz:

- 1 At the end of section 202(a), add the following:
- 2 (7) as the report released in August 2020 by
- 3 the Expert Group of the International Military
- 4 Council on Climate and Security (IMCCS), titled
- 5 “Climate and Security in the Indo-Asia Pacific”
- 6 noted, the Indo-Pacific region is one of the regions
- 7 most vulnerable to climate impacts and as former
- 8 Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Installations
- 9 and Environment Sherri Goodman, Secretary Gen-
- 10 eral of IMCCS, noted, climate shocks act as a threat
- 11 multiplier in the Indo-Pacific region, increasing hu-
- 12 manitarian response costs and impacting security

1 throughout the region as sea levels rise, fishing pat-  
2 terns shift, food insecurity rises, and storms grow  
3 stronger and more frequent;

4 (8) the United State should continue to engage  
5 on and deepen cooperation with allies and partners  
6 of the United States in the Indo-Pacific region, as  
7 laid out in the Asia Reassurance Initiative Act (Pub-  
8 lic Law 115–409), in the areas of—

9 (A) forecasting environmental challenges;

10 (B) assisting with transnational coopera-  
11 tion on sustainable uses of forest and water re-  
12 sources with the goal of preserving biodiversity  
13 and access to safe drinking water;

14 (C) fisheries and marine resource conserva-  
15 tion; and

16 (D) meeting environmental challenges and  
17 developing resilience; and

18 (9) the Secretary of State, in coordination with  
19 the Secretary of Defense and the Administrator of  
20 the United States Agency for International Develop-  
21 ment, should facilitate a robust interagency Indo-Pa-  
22 cific climate resiliency and adaptation strategy fo-  
23 cusing on internal and external actions needed—

24 (A) to facilitate regional early recovery,  
25 risk reduction, and resilience to weather-related

1 impacts on strategic interests of the United  
2 States and partners and allies of the United  
3 States in the region; and

4 (B) to address humanitarian and food se-  
5 curity impacts of weather-related changes in the  
6 region.