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AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To establish a Quad Intra-Parliamentary Working Group in order to facilitate progress of the newly formed Quad Working Groups and cooperation on other shared interests.

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.

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. MARKEY and Mr. Young

Viz:

1 At the end of section 203, add the following:

2 (5) building upon their partnership to help fi-
3 nance 1,000,000,000 or more COVID–19 vaccines
4 by the end of 2022 for use in the Indo-Pacific re-
5 gion, the United States International Development
6 Finance Corporation, the Japan International Co-
7 operation Agency, and the Japan Bank for Inter-
8 national Cooperation, including through partnerships
9 other multilateral development banks, should also
10 venture to finance development and infrastructure
11 projects in the Indo-Pacific region that are sustain-

1 able and offer a viable alternative to the investments
2 of the People’s Republic of China in that region
3 under the Belt and Road Initiative;

4 (6) in consultation with other Quad countries,
5 the President should establish clear deliverables for
6 the 3 new Quad Working Groups established on
7 March 12, 2021, which are—

8 (A) the Quad Vaccine Experts Working
9 Group;

10 (B) the Quad Climate Working Group; and

11 (C) the Quad Critical and Emerging Tech-
12 nology Working Group; and

13 (7) the formation of a Quad Intra-Parliamen-
14 tary Working Group could—

15 (A) sustain and deepen engagement be-
16 tween senior officials of the Quad countries on
17 a full spectrum of issues; and

18 (B) be modeled on the successful and long-
19 standing bilateral intra-parliamentary groups
20 between the United States and Mexico, Canada,
21 and the United Kingdom, as well as other for-
22 mal and informal parliamentary exchanges.

1 **SEC. 204. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUAD INTRA-PARLIAMEN-**
2 **TARY WORKING GROUP.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—Not later than 30 days after
4 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
5 State shall seek to enter into negotiations with the govern-
6 ments of Japan, Australia, and India (collectively, with the
7 United States, known as the “Quad”) with the goal of
8 reaching a written agreement to establish a Quad Intra-
9 Parliamentary Working Group for the purpose of acting
10 on the recommendations of the Quad Working Groups de-
11 scribed in section 203(6) and to facilitate closer coopera-
12 tion on shared interests and values.

13 (b) UNITED STATES GROUP.—

14 (1) IN GENERAL.—At such time as the govern-
15 ments of the Quad countries enter into a written
16 agreement described in subsection (a), there shall be
17 established a United States Group, which shall rep-
18 resent the United States at the Quad Intra-Par-
19 liamentary Working Group.

20 (2) MEMBERSHIP.—

21 (A) IN GENERAL.—The United States
22 Group shall be comprised of not more than 24
23 Members of Congress.

24 (B) APPOINTMENT.—Of the Members of
25 Congress appointed to the United States Group
26 under subparagraph (A)—

1 (i) half shall be appointed by the
2 Speaker of the House of Representatives
3 from among Members of the House, not
4 less than 4 of whom shall be members of
5 the Committee on Foreign Affairs; and

6 (ii) half shall be appointed by the
7 President Pro Tempore of the Senate,
8 based on recommendations of the majority
9 leader and minority leader of the Senate,
10 from among Members of the Senate, not
11 less than 4 of whom shall be members of
12 the Committee on Foreign Relations (un-
13 less the majority leader and minority lead-
14 er determine otherwise).

15 (3) MEETINGS.—

16 (A) IN GENERAL.—The United States
17 Group shall seek to meet not less frequently
18 than annually with representatives and appro-
19 priate staff of the legislatures of Japan, Aus-
20 tralia, and India, and any other country invited
21 by mutual agreement of the Quad countries.

22 (B) LIMITATION.—A meeting described in
23 subparagraph (A) may be held—

24 (i) in the United States;

1 (ii) in another Quad country during
2 periods when Congress is not in session; or

3 (iii) virtually.

4 (4) CHAIRPERSON AND VICE CHAIRPERSON.—

5 (A) HOUSE DELEGATION.—The Speaker of
6 the House of Representatives shall designate
7 the chairperson or vice chairperson of the dele-
8 gation of the United States Group from the
9 House from among members of the Committee
10 on Foreign Affairs.

11 (B) SENATE DELEGATION.—The President
12 Pro Tempore of the Senate shall designate the
13 chairperson or vice chairperson of the delega-
14 tion of the United States Group from the Sen-
15 ate from among members of the Committee on
16 Foreign Relations.

17 (5) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

18 (A) IN GENERAL.—There is authorized to
19 be appropriated \$1,000,000 for each fiscal
20 years 2022 through 2025 for the United States
21 Group.

22 (B) DISTRIBUTION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

23 (i) IN GENERAL.—For each fiscal year
24 for which an appropriation is made for the
25 United States Group, half of the amount

1 appropriated shall be available to the dele-
2 gation from the House of Representatives
3 and half of the amount shall be available
4 to the delegation from the Senate.

5 (ii) METHOD OF DISTRIBUTION.—The
6 amounts available to the delegations of the
7 House of Representatives and the Senate
8 under clause (i) shall be disbursed on
9 vouchers to be approved by the chairperson
10 of the delegation from the House of Rep-
11 resentatives and the chairperson of the del-
12 egation from the Senate, respectively.

13 (6) PRIVATE SOURCES.—The United States
14 Group may accept gifts or donations of services or
15 property, subject to the review and approval, as ap-
16 propriate, of the Committee on Ethics of the House
17 of Representatives and the Committee on Ethics of
18 the Senate.

19 (7) CERTIFICATION OF EXPENDITURES.—The
20 certificate of the chairperson of the delegation from
21 the House of Representatives or the delegation of
22 the Senate of the United States Group shall be final
23 and conclusive upon the accounting officers in the
24 auditing of the accounts of the United States Group.

1 (8) ANNUAL REPORT.—The United States
2 Group shall submit to the Committee on Foreign Af-
3 fairs of the House of Representatives and the Com-
4 mittee on Foreign Relations of the Senate a report
5 for each fiscal year for which an appropriation is
6 made for the United States Group, which shall in-
7 clude a description of its expenditures under such
8 appropriation.