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AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To require a report on the permanent stationing of the United States forces in the Republic of Poland.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—115th Cong., 2d Sess.

H. R. 5515

To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2019 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and ordered to be printed

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by *Inhofe*
Boozman to the amendment (No. *Capito*
_____) proposed by _____

Viz:

1 Strike section 1254 and insert the following:

2 **SEC. 1254. REPORT ON PERMANENT STATIONING OF**
3 **UNITED STATES FORCES IN THE REPUBLIC**
4 **OF POLAND.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than March 1, 2019, the
6 Secretary of Defense, in coordination with the Secretary
7 of State, shall submit to the congressional defense commit-
8 tees a report on the feasibility and advisability of perma-

1 nently stationing United States forces in the Republic of
2 Poland.

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

5 (1) An assessment of the types of permanently
6 stationed United States forces in Poland required to
7 deter aggression by the Russian Federation and exe-
8 cute Department of Defense contingency plans, in-
9 cluding combat enabler units in capability areas
10 such as—

11 (A) combat engineering;

12 (B) logistics and sustainment;

13 (C) warfighting headquarters elements;

14 (D) long-range fires;

15 (E) air and missile defense;

16 (F) intelligence, surveillance, and recon-
17 naissance; and

18 (G) electronic warfare.

19 (2) An assessment of the feasibility and advis-
20 ability of permanently stationing a United States
21 Army brigade combat team in the Republic of Po-
22 land that includes the following:

23 (A) An assessment whether a permanently
24 stationed United States Army brigade combat

1 team in Poland would enhance deterrence
2 against Russian aggression in Eastern Europe.

3 (B) An assessment of the actions the Rus-
4 sian Federation may take in response to a
5 United States decision to permanently station a
6 brigade combat team in Poland.

7 (C) An assessment of the international po-
8 litical considerations of permanently stationing
9 such a brigade combat team in Poland, includ-
10 ing within the North Atlantic Treaty Organiza-
11 tion (NATO).

12 (D) An assessment whether a such a bri-
13 gade combat team in Poland would support im-
14 plementation of the National Defense Strategy.

15 (E) A description and assessment of the
16 manner in which such a brigade combat team
17 in Poland would affect the ability of the Joint
18 Force to execute Department of Defense contin-
19 gency plans in Europe.

20 (F) A description and assessment of the
21 manner in which such a brigade combat team
22 in Poland would affect the ability of the Joint
23 Force to respond to a crisis inside the territory
24 of a North Atlantic Treaty Organization ally
25 that occurs prior to the invocation of Article 5

1 of the Washington Treaty by the North Atlantic
2 Council.

3 (G) An identification and assessment of—

4 (i) potential locations in Poland for
5 stationing such a brigade combat team;

6 (ii) the logistics requirements, includ-
7 ing force enablers, equipment, supplies,
8 storage, and maintenance, that would be
9 required to support such a brigade combat
10 team in Poland;

11 (iii) infrastructure investments by the
12 United States and Poland, including new
13 construction or upgrades of existing sites,
14 that would be required to support such a
15 brigade combat team in Poland;

16 (iv) any new agreements, or changes
17 to existing agreements, between the United
18 States and Poland that would be required
19 for a such a brigade combat team in Po-
20 land;

21 (v) any changes to the posture or ca-
22 pabilities of the Joint Force in Europe
23 that would be required to support such a
24 brigade combat team in Poland; and

1 (vi) the timeline required to achieve
2 the permanent stationing of such a brigade
3 combat team in Poland.

4 (H) An assessment of the willingness and
5 ability of the Government of Poland to provide
6 host nation support for such a brigade combat
7 team.

8 (I) An assessment whether future growth
9 in United States Army end strength may be
10 used to source additional forces for such a bri-
11 gade combat team in Poland.

12 (c) FORM.—The report required by subsection (a)
13 shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may include
14 a classified annex.