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To direct the Director of National Intelligence to submit to Congress a report on the anticipated impact of altering the United States Force posture on the Korean peninsula.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BERA introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Maintaining Commit-
5 ment on the Korean Peninsula Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. REPORT ON ALTERING UNITED STATES FORCE POS-**
2 **TURE ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of National
5 Intelligence, in consultation with the Secretary of State
6 and the Secretary of Defense, shall submit to the appro-
7 priate committees of Congress a report on the anticipated
8 diplomatic, military, and intelligence impact of a signifi-
9 cant reduction or complete withdrawal of United States
10 forces from the Republic of Korea (South Korea), or the
11 significant reduction or permanent suspension of United
12 States exercises on or around the Korean peninsula.

13 (b) CONTENT.—The report required by subsection
14 (a) shall include each of the following:

15 (1) The views of the Governments of Japan,
16 South Korea, and other regional allies and partners
17 regarding the significant reduction or complete with-
18 drawal of United States forces or permanent suspen-
19 sion of exercises.

20 (2) The impact that a significant force reduc-
21 tion or permanent suspension of exercises would
22 have on the transition of operational control of
23 United States forces on the Korean peninsula.

24 (3) The impact, implications, and resultant
25 shortfalls that a significant reduction or complete
26 withdrawal of United States forces or the significant

1 reduction or permanent suspension of exercises
2 would have in countering non-North Korean actors
3 in northeast Asia, including in the areas of econom-
4 ics, diplomacy, and defense.

5 (4) The implications to the long-term security
6 architecture in East Asia of a significant reduction
7 or complete withdrawal of United States forces or a
8 significant reduction or permanent suspension of ex-
9 ercises.

10 (5) The implications for United States and al-
11 lied capabilities to deter and defeat North Korean
12 aggression in cyber, conventional, chemical, and bio-
13 logical warfare of such a significant reduction or
14 complete withdrawal of United States force or a sig-
15 nificant reduction or permanent suspension of exer-
16 cises.

17 (c) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.—In
18 this section, the term “appropriate committees of Con-
19 gress” means the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Com-
20 mittee on Armed Services, the Permanent Select Com-
21 mittee on Intelligence of the House of Representatives,
22 and the Committee on Foreign Relations, the Committee
23 on Armed Services, and the Select Committee on Intel-
24 ligence of the Senate.

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