

Amendment Offered by Mr. Forbes of Virginia

H.R. 1960—National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2014

To be inserted in the appropriate place the report:

RIMPAC 2014 Oversight

"The committee recognizes the importance of the Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) Exercises, one of the world's largest international maritime warfare exercises. The committee is aware that China's People's Liberation Army Navy (PLAN) has accepted an invitation by the United States to participate in the 2014 RIMPAC Exercise.

Because of the unique nature of the exercise and the diverse group of participants, the committee deems it important to better comprehend PLAN participation in RIMPAC 2014. Therefore, the committee directs the Secretary of the Navy to brief the congressional defense committees, no less than 30 days after the enactment of the Act to the Committee on the Armed Services of the House, on the intended scope of PLAN participation in RIMPAC 2014 and the compliance of PLAN participation with the 12 operational areas that were prohibited for mil-to-mil contact between the Department of Defense and PLA consistent with Section 1201(a) of the FY2000 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA)."