

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2410, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. REICHERT OF WASHINGTON**

At the end of title X of the bill, insert the following
new section:

1 **SEC. 1012. REPORT ON REDUCING MORTALITY AND IM-**
2 **PROVING THE HEALTH OF NEWBORNS, CHIL-**
3 **DREN, AND MOTHERS IN DEVELOPING COUN-**
4 **TRIES.**

5 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
6 gress that—

7 (1) the United States should continue to work
8 towards reducing mortality and improving the health
9 of newborns, children, and mothers in developing
10 countries;

11 (2) United States leadership and assistance has
12 played a significant role in saving the lives of
13 newborns, children, and mothers in the world's poor-
14 est countries; and

15 (3) proven, low-cost, effective techniques for
16 life-saving interventions that will save the lives of
17 newborns, children, and their mothers are needed.

18 (b) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

1 (1) At least 9,200,000 children under the age
2 of 5 die each year around the world, more than
3 25,000 children per day, mostly from preventable
4 and treatable causes according to the United Na-
5 tions Children's Fund (UNICEF).

6 (2) In poor countries, an estimated 3,700,000
7 newborns die in the first 4 weeks of life according
8 to the World Health Organization (WHO).

9 (3) Worldwide, 68 countries account for 97 per-
10 cent of all maternal and under-5 child deaths, ac-
11 cording to WHO.

12 (c) REPORT REQUIRED.—

13 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days
14 after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Sec-
15 retary of State shall submit to Congress a report on
16 reducing mortality and improving the health of
17 newborns, children, and mothers in developing coun-
18 tries, including strengthening the capacity of health
19 systems and health workers.

20 (2) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The report
21 required under paragraph (1) shall include the fol-
22 lowing:

23 (A) An assessment of those 30 countries
24 with the highest rate of mortality based on—

1 (i) the number and rate of neonatal
2 deaths;

3 (ii) the number and rate of child
4 deaths;

5 (iii) the number and ratio of maternal
6 deaths;

7 (iv) the number and rate of malnour-
8 ished women of reproductive age; and

9 (v) the number and rate of malnour-
10 ished infants and children under the age of
11 5.

12 (B) For each country identified in sub-
13 paragraph (A)—

14 (i) an assessment of the most common
15 causes of newborn, child, and maternal
16 mortality;

17 (ii) a description of the host country's
18 overall health strategy and expenditures,
19 including an assessment of components to
20 specifically reduce newborn, child, and ma-
21 ternal mortality rates;

22 (iii) a description of on-going goals
23 and objectives for improving newborn,
24 child, and maternal health, including, to

1 the extent feasible, objective and quantifi-
2 able indicators; and

3 (iv) a description of how the govern-
4 ment of the country can best work with do-
5 nors and other partners and civil society to
6 achieve accelerated reductions in newborn,
7 child, and maternal mortality.

