

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1401, AS REPORTED  
OFFERED BY MR. BEREUTER OF NEBRASKA**

At the end of title X (page 305, after line 5), insert  
the following new section:

1 **SEC. 1040. REPORT ON EFFECT OF CONTINUED BALKAN OP-**  
2 **ERATIONS ON ABILITY OF UNITED STATES TO**  
3 **SUCCESSFULLY MEET OTHER REGIONAL**  
4 **CONTINGENCIES.**

5 (a) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the date  
6 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense  
7 shall submit to Congress a report describing the effect of  
8 continued operations by the Armed Forces in the Balkans  
9 region on the ability of the United States, through the  
10 period covered by the current Future-Years Defense Plan  
11 of the Department of Defense, to prosecute to a successful  
12 conclusion a major contingency in the Asia-Pacific region  
13 or to prosecute to a successful conclusion two nearly si-  
14 multaneous major theater wars, in accordance with the  
15 most recent Quadrennial Defense Review.

16 (b) MATTERS TO BE INCLUDED.—The report under  
17 subsection (a) shall set forth the following:

18 (1) In light of continued Balkan operations, the  
19 capabilities and limitations of United States combat,  
20 combat support, and combat service support forces

1 (at national, operational, and tactical levels and op-  
2 erating in a joint and coalition environment) to ex-  
3 peditiously respond to, prosecute, and achieve  
4 United States strategic objectives in the event of—

5 (A) a contingency on the Korean penin-  
6 sula; or

7 (B) two nearly simultaneous major theater  
8 wars.

9 (2) The confidence level of the Secretary of De-  
10 fense in United States military capabilities to suc-  
11 cessfully prosecute a Pacific contingency, and to suc-  
12 cessfully prosecute two nearly simultaneous major  
13 theater wars, while remaining engaged at current or  
14 greater force levels in the Balkans, together with the  
15 rationale and justification for each such confidence  
16 level.

17 (3) Identification of high-value platforms, sys-  
18 tems, capabilities, and skills that—

19 (A) during a Pacific contingency, would be  
20 stressed or broken and at what point such  
21 stressing or breaking would occur; and

22 (B) during two nearly simultaneous major  
23 theater wars, would be stressed or broken and  
24 at what point such stressing or breaking would  
25 occur.

1           (4) During continued military operations in the  
2           Balkans, the effect on the “operations tempo”, and  
3           on the “personnel tempo”, of the Armed Forces—

4                   (A) of a Pacific contingency; and

5                   (B) of two nearly simultaneous major thea-  
6           ter wars.

7           (5) During continued military operations in the  
8           Balkans, the required type and quantity of high-  
9           value platforms, systems, capabilities, and skills to  
10          prosecute successfully—

11                   (A) a Pacific contingency; and

12                   (B) two nearly simultaneous major theater  
13          wars.

14          (c) CONSULTATION.—In preparing the report under  
15          this section, the Secretary of Defense shall use the re-  
16          sources and expertise of the unified commands, the mili-  
17          tary departments, the combat support agencies, and the  
18          defense components of the intelligence community and  
19          shall consult with non-Department elements of the intel-  
20          ligence community, as required, and other such entities  
21          within the Department of Defense as the Secretary consid-  
22          ers necessary.