

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5247
OFFERED BY MR. KEATING OF MASSACHUSETTS

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____.** **ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NATIONAL AND NU-**
2 **CLEAR RISK REDUCTION CENTER.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—There is established within the
4 Department of State a National and Nuclear Risk Reduc-
5 tion Center (“NNRRC”), who shall report directly to the
6 Under Secretary for International Security Affairs.

7 (b) RESPONSIBILITIES.—The National and Nuclear
8 Risk Reduction Center shall carry out the following re-
9 sponsibilities:

10 (1) Operate a 24-hour basis government-to-gov-
11 ernment communications center for exchanging noti-
12 fications with foreign counterparts required under
13 current and future bilateral and multilateral arms
14 control agreements or arrangements and confidence-
15 building agreements between the United States and
16 foreign governments and international organizations.

17 (2) Manage operational procedures, translate,
18 and disseminate incoming and outgoing notifications
19 and messages to and from appropriate U.S. govern-
20 ment departments and agencies to execute, as nec-

1 essary, operational alerts or for time-sensitive notifi-
2 cations requiring immediate attention.

3 (3) Advise Department of State policy and
4 operational offices on communication or technical
5 issues from new arms control and international secu-
6 rity agreements.

7 (4) Provide technical assistance to foreign gov-
8 ernments on NNRRC-related requirements on the
9 operation of national communication systems for
10 arms control agreements and other confidence-build-
11 ing agreements.

12 (5) Ensure the Center includes not fewer than
13 one linguist on duty a 24-hour basis with Mandarin
14 Chinese and Russian language translation services,
15 with technical proficiency of arms control matters,
16 for the purpose of helping facilitate communication
17 related to notifications and exchanges with foreign
18 governments involving arms control agreements and
19 arrangements.

20 (6) Establish a protocol for coordination be-
21 tween the NNRRC and interagency stakeholders to
22 include liaison roles.

1 (7) Perform such other duties as the Under
2 Secretary for International Security Affairs may
3 from time to time designate.

