

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5300
OFFERED BY MRS. CHERFILUS-McCORMICK OF
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At the appropriate place, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____.** **STRATEGY TO PREVENT ILLEGAL FIREARMS**
2 **TRAFFICKING.**

3 (a) STRATEGY.—Not later than 180 days after the
4 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State,
5 in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, the Sec-
6 retary of Homeland Security, the Secretary of Commerce,
7 and the Attorney General, shall submit to the appropriate
8 congressional committees a comprehensive strategy to pre-
9 vent illegal firearms trafficking to the Caribbean. Such
10 strategy shall include—

11 (1) changes with respect to the Firearms Trace
12 System database maintained by the National Trace
13 Center of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms,
14 and Explosives to ensure the timely tracing of fire-
15 arms recovered in the Caribbean;

16 (2) an interagency commitment to take steps to
17 require identity verification for all individuals send-
18 ing packages to Haiti with a declared value under
19 \$2,500;

1 (3) interagency collecting and reporting to Con-
2 gress and to the public data about arms export
3 trends, arms trafficking trends, efforts to disrupt il-
4 legal firearm exports, and data on prosecutions of il-
5 legal arms trafficking to the Caribbean;

6 (4) heightened Customs and Border Protection
7 staffing and enhanced screening protocols for out-
8 bound cargo from United States ports, especially via
9 the Miami River gateway; and

10 (5) the development of performance indicators
11 for the Caribbean Basin Security Initiative specifi-
12 cally tied to measures of weapons trafficking disrup-
13 tion, as suggested in the Comptroller of the United
14 States report GAO-25-107007.

15 (b) INTERAGENCY OVERSIGHT.—The Secretary of
16 State, in partnership with the Secretary of Defense, the
17 Secretary of Homeland Security, and the Attorney Gen-
18 eral, shall convene quarterly oversight reviews to assess
19 enforcement outcomes and recalibrate the strategy sub-
20 mitted pursuant to subsection (a) as necessary, and shall
21 report to the appropriate congressional committees both
22 the findings of such assessments and any revisions to the
23 strategy.

24 (c) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “appro-
25 priate congressional committees” means—

1 (1) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the
2 Committee on the Judiciary, the Committee on
3 Homeland Security, and the Committee on Armed
4 Services of the House of Representatives; and

5 (2) the Committee on Foreign Relations, the
6 Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental
7 Affairs, the Committee on the Judiciary, and the
8 Committee on Armed Services of the Senate.

