

**AMENDMENT TO THE AMENDMENT IN THE  
NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 9087  
OFFERED BY MR. KEATING OF MASSACHUSETTS**

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

1 **SEC. \_\_\_\_ . STRATEGY TO PROMOTE SECURE TELECOMMUNI-**  
2 **CATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE.**

3 (a) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
4 gress as follows:

5 (1) The United States Government should pro-  
6 mote and take steps to ensure American leadership  
7 in strategic technology industries, including tele-  
8 communications infrastructure and other informa-  
9 tion and communications technologies.

10 (2) The expansive presence of companies linked  
11 to the Chinese Communist Party, such as Huawei,  
12 in global mobile networks and the national security  
13 implications thereof, such as the ability of the Peo-  
14 ple’s Republic of China to exfiltrate the information  
15 flowing through those networks and shut off coun-  
16 tries’ internet access, demonstrates the importance  
17 of the United States remaining at the technological  
18 frontier and the dire consequences of falling behind.

1           (3) The significant cost of countering Huawei’s  
2           market leadership in telecommunications infrastruc-  
3           ture around the world underscores the urgency of  
4           supporting the competitiveness of United States  
5           companies in next-generation information and com-  
6           munication technology.

7           (4) To remain a leader at the International  
8           Telecommunication Union (“ITU”) and preserve the  
9           ITU’s technical integrity, the United States must  
10          work with emerging economies and developing na-  
11          tions to bolster global telecommunications security  
12          and protect American national security interests.

13          (5) Multilateral cooperation with like-minded  
14          partners and allies is critical to carry out the signifi-  
15          cant effort of financing and promoting secure net-  
16          works around the world and to achieve market lead-  
17          ership of trusted vendors in this sector.

18          (b) STRATEGY FOR SECURING GLOBAL TELE-  
19          COMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE.—

20                 (1) STRATEGY REQUIRED.—Not later than 90  
21                 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the  
22                 Secretary shall develop and submit to the Committee  
23                 on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives,  
24                 the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate,  
25                 the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the

1 House of Representatives, and the Committee on  
2 Commerce, Science, and Transportation of the Sen-  
3 ate a “Strategy to Secure Global Telecommuni-  
4 cations Infrastructure” (referred to in this section as  
5 the “Strategy”) to promote the use of secure tele-  
6 communication infrastructure in countries other  
7 than the United States.

8 (2) CONSULTATION REQUIRED.—The Secretary  
9 shall consult with relevant heads of agencies and de-  
10 partments, including the President of the Export-  
11 Import Bank of the United States, the Chief Execu-  
12 tive Officer of the Development Finance Corpora-  
13 tion, the Director of the Trade and Development  
14 Agency, the Chair of the Federal Communications  
15 Commission, and the Assistant Secretary of Com-  
16 merce for Communications and Information, in de-  
17 veloping the Strategy, which shall consist of an ap-  
18 proach led by the Department using the policy tools,  
19 and informed by the technical expertise, of the other  
20 Federal entities so consulted to achieve the goal de-  
21 scribed in paragraph (1).

22 (3) ELEMENTS.—The Strategy shall also in-  
23 clude sections on each of the following:

1 (A) Mobile networks, including a descrip-  
2 tion of efforts by countries other than the  
3 United States to—

4 (i) promote trusted Open RAN tech-  
5 nologies while protecting against any secu-  
6 rity risks posed by untrusted vendors in  
7 Open RAN networks;

8 (ii) use financing mechanisms to as-  
9 sist “rip-and-replace” projects and to  
10 incentivize countries to choose trusted  
11 equipment vendors;

12 (iii) bolster multilateral cooperation,  
13 especially with developing countries and  
14 emerging economies, to promote the de-  
15 ployment of trusted wireless networks  
16 worldwide; and

17 (iv) collaborate with trusted private  
18 sector companies to counter Chinese mar-  
19 ket leadership in the telecom equipment in-  
20 dustry.

21 (B) Data centers, including a description  
22 of efforts to—

23 (i) utilize financing mechanisms to  
24 incentivize countries other than the United

1 States to choose trusted data center pro-  
2 viders; and

3 (ii) bolster multilateral cooperation,  
4 especially with developing countries and  
5 emerging economies, to promote the de-  
6 ployment of trusted data centers world-  
7 wide.

8 (C) Sixth (and future) generation tech-  
9 nologies (6G), including a description of efforts  
10 to—

11 (i) deepen cooperation with like-mind-  
12 ed countries to promote United States and  
13 allied market leadership in 6G networks  
14 and technologies; and

15 (ii) increase buy-in from developing  
16 countries and emerging countries on trust-  
17 ed technologies.

18 (D) Low-Earth orbit satellites, aerostats,  
19 and stratospheric balloons, including a descrip-  
20 tion of efforts to work with trusted private sec-  
21 tor companies to retain the ability to quickly  
22 provide internet connection in response to emer-  
23 gency situations.

24 (c) REPORT ON MALIGN INFLUENCE AT THE INTER-  
25 NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATION UNION.—

1           (1) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the  
2           date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary  
3           shall develop and submit to the committees identi-  
4           fied in subsection (b)(1) a report on Russian and  
5           Chinese strategies and efforts—

6                   (A) to expand the mandate of the Inter-  
7                   national Telecommunication Union (hereafter in  
8                   this section referred to as “ITU”) to cover  
9                   internet governance policy; and

10                   (B) to advance other actions favorable to  
11                   authoritarian interests or hostile to fair, indus-  
12                   try-led processes.

13           (2) ELEMENTS.—The report required by para-  
14           graph (1) shall also identify efforts by China and  
15           Russia—

16                   (A) to increase the ITU’s jurisdiction over  
17                   internet governance and to propose internet  
18                   governance standards at the ITU;

19                   (B) to leverage their private sector actors  
20                   to advance their national interests through the  
21                   ITU, including—

22                           (i) encouraging Chinese and Russian  
23                           companies to leverage their market power  
24                           to pressure other member countries to de-

1           liver favorable decisions on ITU elections;  
2           and

3                   (ii) China's efforts to leverage  
4           Huawei's role as the primary telecommuni-  
5           cations equipment and services provider for  
6           many developing countries to compel such  
7           countries to deliver favorable decisions on  
8           standards proposals, election victories, can-  
9           didate selection, and other levers of power  
10          at the ITU; and

11                   (C) to use the influence of Chinese and  
12          Russian nationals serving in the ITU to advan-  
13          tage the companies, standards decisions, and  
14          candidates that advance the CCP and Kremlin's  
15          interests.

16          (3) FORM.—The report required by this sub-  
17          section shall be submitted in unclassified form, but  
18          may include a classified annex.

19          (d) REPORT ON MULTILATERAL COORDINATION.—  
20          Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment  
21          of this Act, the Secretary, in coordination with relevant  
22          heads of agencies and departments including the President  
23          of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, the Chief  
24          Executive Officer of the Development Finance Corpora-  
25          tion, the Chair of the Federal Communications Commis-

1 sion, and the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Com-  
2 munications and Information, shall develop and submit to  
3 the committees identified in subsection (b)(1) a report  
4 that identifies opportunities for greater collaboration with  
5 allies and partners to promote secure information and  
6 communications technology infrastructure in countries  
7 other than the United States, including through—

8           (1) joint financing efforts to help trusted ven-  
9           dors win bids to build out information and commu-  
10          nications technology infrastructure;

11          (2) incorporating information and communica-  
12          tions technology focuses into allies' and partners'  
13          international development finance initiatives; and

14          (3) diplomatic coordination to emphasize the  
15          importance of secure telecommunications infrastruc-  
16          ture to countries using untrusted providers.

