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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHI introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on ____________________________

A BILL

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1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Keeping Russian Entrapments Minimal and Limiting Intelligence Networks Act” or the “KREMLIN Act”.

March 6, 2019
SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

Congress finds the following:

(1) Russia continues to engage in information warfare and political interference in the West, including by undermining democratic systems and exploiting economic and ethnic tensions within member countries of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

(2) Such activities constitute a threat to the United States and to its allies.

SEC. 3. SENSE OF CONGRESS.

It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) the Countering America’s Adversaries Through Sanctions Act (Public Law 115–44) authorized the United States Government to impose sanctions in response to actions by countries, including Russia, that undermine the security of the United States;

(2) the United States should sustain its contribution to the newly deployed enhanced forward presence of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) in Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia and encourage Canada, the United Kingdom, and Germany to continue their important leadership roles in the military presence of NATO in those countries;
(3) the United States has defensive intentions in pursuing such sanctions and such enhanced military posture in Europe, and does not seek to threaten Russian territory;

(4) the United States does not seek to be an enemy of the Russian people;

(5) the United States desires a peaceful, economically prosperous relationship with Russia based on democratic principles where freedom and the rule of law are upheld for all; and

(6) the United States is committed to defending these fundamental beliefs against any Russian aggression.

SEC. 4. REQUIREMENT FOR INTELLIGENCE ASSESSMENTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of National Intelligence, in consultation with the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees each of the assessments described in subsection (b).

(b) ASSESSMENTS DESCRIBED.—The assessments described in this section are the following with respect to the current intentions of the political leadership of the Russian Federation and based on intelligence obtained from all sources:
(1) Potential military action against members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).

(2) Potential responses to an enlarged United States or NATO military presence in eastern Europe or to increased United States military support for allies and partners in the region, such as the provision of additional lethal military equipment to Ukraine or Georgia.

(3) Potential areas where the Government of the Russian Federation could exploit weaknesses and divisions among the governments of its Western adversaries.

(c) FORM.—Each assessment required under subsection (a) may be submitted in classified form but shall also include an unclassified executive summary, consistent with the protection of intelligence sources and methods.

(d) APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES.—In this section, the term “appropriate congressional committees” means—

(1) the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives; and
(2) the Select Committee on Intelligence, the Committee on Foreign Relations, and the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate.