

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5300
OFFERED BY MR. SCHNEIDER OF ILLINOIS

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

1 **SEC. ____ . SAFEGUARDING UNITED STATES PARTNERS IN**
2 **YEMEN-RELATED DIPLOMACY.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall ensure that
4 any negotiation, understanding, arrangement, or con-
5 fidence-building measure, whether formal or informal,
6 with Ansar Allah (commonly known as the “Houthis”)
7 takes into account—

8 (1) the security interests of United States part-
9 ners designated as Major Non-NATO allies or Major
10 Defense Partners;

11 (2) the security interests of United States part-
12 ners recognized by statute as Major Security Part-
13 ners; and

14 (3) the protection of maritime commerce and
15 freedom of navigation through the Red Sea, the Bab
16 al-Mandeb Strait, and the Gulf of Aden.

17 (b) COORDINATION OF DIPLOMATIC ENGAGE-
18 MENT.—The Secretary shall coordinate United States dip-
19 lomatic engagement to prevent such engagement from un-
20 dermining multilateral efforts to constrain Iranian influ-

1 ence in the Middle East or maritime security initiatives
2 undertaken with regional and international partners.

3 (c) MAJOR NON-NATO ALLY DEFINED.—In this
4 section, the term “Major Non-NATO ally” has the mean-
5 ing given such term in section 644 of the Foreign Assist-
6 ance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2403).

