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MEMORANDUM

December 12, 2019

To: Members of the Subcommittee on National Security

Fr: Committee Staff

Re: Hearing on “U.S. Counterterrorism Priorities and Challenges in Africa”

On **Tuesday, December 17, 2019, at 2:00 p.m., in room 2154 of the Rayburn House Office Building**, the Subcommittee will hold a hearing on U.S. counterterrorism priorities and challenges in Africa.

I. HEARING PURPOSE

This hearing will examine the current terrorism landscape across the African continent and evaluate the threat of ISIS, al Qaeda, and affiliated terrorist organizations. This hearing will also assess whether existing counterterrorism and assistance resources are being used effectively to achieve U.S. strategic objectives and promote stability and security in Africa.

II. WITNESSES

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