

AMENDMENT TO H.R. 8595, AS REPORTED
OFFERED BY MR. COSTA OF CALIFORNIA

At the end of the bill (before the short title), insert the following:

1 SEC. _____. The Secretary of Defense, in coordination
2 with the Secretary of State, shall submit a report to Con-
3 gress within 180 days assessing the damage, destruction,
4 and continued threats to Armenian Christian religious,
5 cultural, and historical heritage sites in Nagorno-
6 Karabakh (Artsakh). The report shall—

7 (1) include an assessment of documented dam-
8 age, destruction, desecration, or alteration of Arme-
9 nian churches, monasteries, cemeteries, monuments,
10 and cultural landmarks;

11 (2) identify actions taken by Azerbaijan to alter
12 and obliterate the historical identity of such sites;

13 (3) evaluate the implications for regional sta-
14 bility, religious freedom, protection of cultural herit-
15 age; and

16 (4) provide recommendations for United States
17 policy to support the preservation, monitoring, and

- 1 protection of Armenian Christian cultural and reli-
- 2 gious heritage in Nagorno-Karabakh.

