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## AN ACT

To amend the Peace Corps Act to require sexual assault risk-reduction and response training, the development of a sexual assault policy, the establishment of an Office of Victim Advocacy, the establishment of a Sexual Assault Advisory Council, and for other purposes.



1 relations, risk-reduction strategies, treatment available in  
2 such country (including sexual assault forensic exams,  
3 post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP) for HIV exposure,  
4 screening for sexually transmitted diseases, and pregnancy  
5 testing), MedEvac procedures, and information regarding  
6 a victim’s right to pursue legal action against a perpe-  
7 trator.

8       “(d) INFORMATION REGARDING CRIMES AND  
9 RISKS.—Each applicant for enrollment as a volunteer  
10 shall be provided with information regarding crimes  
11 against and risks to volunteers in the country in which  
12 the applicant has been invited to serve, including an over-  
13 view of past crimes against volunteers in the country.

14       “(e) CONTACT INFORMATION.—The President shall  
15 provide each applicant, before the applicant enrolls as a  
16 volunteer, with—

17               “(1) the contact information of the Inspector  
18       General of the Peace Corps for purposes of reporting  
19       sexual assault mismanagement or any other mis-  
20       management, misconduct, wrongdoing, or violations  
21       of law or policy whenever it involves a Peace Corps  
22       employee, volunteer, contractor, or outside party  
23       that receives funds from the Peace Corps;

24               “(2) clear, written guidelines regarding whom  
25       to contact, including the direct telephone number for

1 the designated Sexual Assault Response Liaison  
2 (SARL) and the Office of Victim Advocacy and what  
3 steps to take in the event of a sexual assault or  
4 other crime; and

5 “(3) contact information for a 24-hour sexual  
6 assault hotline to be established for the purpose of  
7 providing volunteers a mechanism to anonymously—

8 “(A) report sexual assault;

9 “(B) receive crisis counseling in the event  
10 of a sexual assault; and

11 “(C) seek information about Peace Corps  
12 sexual assault reporting and response proce-  
13 dures.

14 “(f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section and sections 8B  
15 through 8G:

16 “(1) PERSONALLY IDENTIFYING INFORMA-  
17 TION.—The term ‘personally identifying information’  
18 means individually identifying information for or  
19 about a volunteer who is a victim of sexual assault,  
20 including information likely to disclose the location  
21 of such victim, including the following:

22 “(A) A first and last name.

23 “(B) A home or other physical address.

1           “(C) Contact information (including a  
2 postal, email, or Internet protocol address, or  
3 telephone or facsimile number).

4           “(D) A social security number.

5           “(E) Any other information, including date  
6 of birth, racial or ethnic background, or reli-  
7 gious affiliation, that, in combination with in-  
8 formation described in subparagraphs (A)  
9 through (D), would serve to identify the victim.

10          “(2) RESTRICTED REPORTING.—

11           “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘restricted  
12 reporting’ means a system of reporting that al-  
13 lows a volunteer who is sexually assaulted to  
14 confidentially disclose the details of his or her  
15 assault to specified individuals and receive the  
16 services outlined in section 8B(c) without the  
17 dissemination of his or her personally identi-  
18 fying information except as necessary for the  
19 provision of such services, and without auto-  
20 matically triggering an official investigative  
21 process.

22           “(B) EXCEPTIONS.—In cases in which vol-  
23 unteers elect restricted reporting, disclosure of  
24 their personally identifying information is au-  
25 thorized to the following persons or organiza-

1           tions when disclosure would be for the following  
2           reasons:

3                   “(i) Peace Corps staff or law enforce-  
4                   ment when authorized by the victim in  
5                   writing.

6                   “(ii) Peace Corps staff or law enforce-  
7                   ment to prevent or lessen a serious or im-  
8                   minent threat to the health or safety of the  
9                   victim or another person.

10                   “(iii) SARLs, victim advocates or  
11                   healthcare providers when required for the  
12                   provision of victim services.

13                   “(iv) State and Federal courts when  
14                   ordered, or if disclosure is required by  
15                   Federal or State statute.

16                   “(C) NOTICE OF DISCLOSURE AND PRI-  
17                   VACY PROTECTION.—In cases in which informa-  
18                   tion is disclosed pursuant to subparagraph (B),  
19                   the President shall—

20                           “(i) make reasonable attempts to pro-  
21                           vide notice to the volunteer with respect to  
22                           whom such information is being released;  
23                           and

1                   “(ii) take such action as is necessary  
2                   to protect the privacy and safety of the vol-  
3                   unteer.

4                   “(3) SEXUAL ASSAULT.—The term ‘sexual as-  
5                   sault’ means any conduct prescribed by chapter  
6                   109A of title 18, United States Code, whether or not  
7                   the conduct occurs in the special maritime and terri-  
8                   torial jurisdiction of the United States, and includes  
9                   both assaults committed by offenders who are  
10                  strangers to the victim and assaults committed by  
11                  offenders who are known or related by blood or mar-  
12                  riage to the victim.

13                  “(4) STALKING.—The term ‘stalking’ means  
14                  engaging in a course of conduct directed at a spe-  
15                  cific person that would cause a reasonable person  
16                  to—

17                         “(A) fear for his or her safety or the safety  
18                         of others; or

19                         “(B) suffer substantial emotional distress.

20                         “SEXUAL ASSAULT POLICY

21                  “SEC. 8B. (a) IN GENERAL.—The President shall de-  
22                  velop and implement a comprehensive sexual assault policy  
23                  that—

24                         “(1) includes a system for restricted and unre-  
25                         stricted reporting of sexual assault;

1           “(2) mandates, for each Peace Corps country  
2           program, the designation of a Sexual Assault Re-  
3           sponse Liaison (SARL), who shall receive com-  
4           prehensive training on procedures to respond to re-  
5           ports of sexual assault, with duties including ensur-  
6           ing that volunteers who are victims of sexual assault  
7           are moved to a safe environment and accompanying  
8           victims through the in-country response at the re-  
9           quest of the victim;

10           “(3) requires SARLs to immediately contact a  
11           Victim Advocate upon receiving a report of sexual  
12           assault in accordance with the restricted and unre-  
13           stricted reporting guidelines promulgated by the  
14           Peace Corps;

15           “(4) to the extent practicable, conforms to best  
16           practices in the sexual assault field;

17           “(5) is applicable to all posts at which volun-  
18           teers serve; and

19           “(6) includes a guarantee that volunteers will  
20           not suffer loss of living allowances for reporting a  
21           sexual assault.

22           “(b) DEVELOPMENT AND CONSULTATION WITH EX-  
23           PERTS.—In developing the sexual assault policy under  
24           subsection (a), the President shall consult with and incor-  
25           porate, as appropriate, the recommendations and views of

1 experts in the sexual assault field, including experts with  
2 international experience.

3 “(c) ELEMENTS.—The sexual assault policy devel-  
4 oped under subsection (a) shall include, at a minimum,  
5 the following services with respect to a volunteer who has  
6 been a victim of sexual assault:

7 “(1) The option of pursuing either restricted or  
8 unrestricted reporting of an assault.

9 “(2) Provision of a SARL and Victim’s Advo-  
10 cate to the volunteer.

11 “(3) At a volunteer’s discretion, provision of a  
12 sexual assault forensic exam in accordance with ap-  
13 plicable host country law.

14 “(4) If necessary, the provision of emergency  
15 health care, including a mechanism for such volun-  
16 teer to evaluate such provider.

17 “(5) If necessary, the provision of counseling  
18 and psychiatric medication.

19 “(6) Completion of a safety and treatment plan  
20 with the volunteer, if necessary.

21 “(7) Evacuation of such volunteer for medical  
22 treatment, accompanied by a Peace Corps staffer at  
23 the request of such volunteer. When evacuated to  
24 the United States, such volunteer shall be provided,  
25 to the extent practicable, a choice of medical pro-

1       viders including a mechanism for such volunteers to  
2       evaluate the provider.

3               “(8) An explanation to the volunteer of avail-  
4       able law enforcement and prosecutorial options, and  
5       legal representation.

6       “(d) TRAINING.—The President shall train all staff  
7       outside the United States regarding the sexual assault pol-  
8       icy developed under subsection (a).

9                       “OFFICE OF VICTIM ADVOCACY

10       “SEC. 8C. (a) ESTABLISHMENT OF OFFICE OF VIC-  
11       TIMS ADVOCACY.—

12               “(1) IN GENERAL.—The President shall estab-  
13       lish an Office of Victim Advocacy in Peace Corps  
14       headquarters headed by a full-time victim advocate  
15       who shall report directly to the Director. The Office  
16       of Victim Advocacy may deploy personnel abroad  
17       when necessary to help assist victims.

18               “(2) PROHIBITION.—Peace Corps Medical Offi-  
19       cers, Safety and Security Officers, and program  
20       staff may not serve as victim advocates. The victim  
21       advocate referred to in paragraph (1) may not have  
22       any other duties in the Peace Corps that are not  
23       reasonably connected to victim advocacy.

24               “(3) EXEMPTION.—The victim advocate and  
25       any additional victim advocates shall be exempt from  
26       the limitations specified in subparagraphs (A) and

1 (B) of paragraph (2) and paragraph (5) under sec-  
2 tion 7(a) of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C.  
3 2506(a)).

4 “(b) RESPONSIBILITIES.—

5 “(1) VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT.—The Of-  
6 fice of Victim Advocacy shall help develop and up-  
7 date the sexual assault risk-reduction and response  
8 training described in section 8A and the sexual as-  
9 sault policy described in section 8B, ensure that vol-  
10 unteers who are victims of sexual assault receive  
11 services specified in section 8B(c), and facilitate  
12 their access to such services.

13 “(2) OTHER CRIMES.—In addition to assisting  
14 victims of sexual assault in accordance with para-  
15 graph (1), the Office of Victim Advocacy shall assist  
16 volunteers who are victims of crime by making such  
17 victims aware of the services available to them and  
18 facilitating their access to such services.

19 “(3) PRIORITY.—The Office of Victim Advocacy  
20 shall give priority to cases involving serious crimes,  
21 including sexual assault and stalking.

22 “(c) STATUS UPDATES.—The Office of Victim Advo-  
23 cacy shall provide to volunteers who are victims regular  
24 updates on the status of their cases if such volunteers have  
25 opted to pursue prosecution.



1 training and policy conform to the extent practicable to  
2 best practices in the sexual assault field.

3       “(d) REPORTS.—On an annual basis for 5 years after  
4 the date of the enactment of this section and at the discre-  
5 tion of the Council thereafter, the Council shall submit  
6 to the President and the Committee on Foreign Relations  
7 and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate and  
8 the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Committee on  
9 Appropriations of the House of Representatives a report  
10 on its findings based on the reviews conducted pursuant  
11 to subsection (c).

12       “(e) EMPLOYEE STATUS.—Members of the Council  
13 shall not be considered employees of the United States  
14 Government for any purpose and shall not receive com-  
15 pensation other than reimbursement of travel expenses  
16 and per diem allowance in accordance with section 5703  
17 of title 5, United States Code.

18       “(f) NONAPPLICABILITY OF FACCA.—The Federal  
19 Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) shall not apply  
20 to the Council.

21       “VOLUNTEER FEEDBACK AND PEACE CORPS REVIEW

22       “SEC. 8E. (a) MONITORING AND EVALUATION.—Not  
23 later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this  
24 section, the President shall establish goals, metrics, and  
25 monitoring and evaluation plans for all Peace Corps pro-  
26 grams. Monitoring and evaluation plans shall incorporate

1 best practices from monitoring and evaluation studies and  
2 analyses.

3       “(b) PERFORMANCE PLANS AND ELEMENTS.—The  
4 President shall establish performance plans with perform-  
5 ance elements and standards for Peace Corps representa-  
6 tives and shall review the performance of Peace Corps rep-  
7 resentatives not less than annually to determine whether  
8 they have met these performance elements and standards.  
9 Nothing in this subsection shall be construed as limiting  
10 the discretion of the President to remove a Peace Corps  
11 representative.

12       “(c) ANNUAL VOLUNTEER SURVEYS.—The President  
13 shall annually conduct a confidential survey of volunteers  
14 regarding the effectiveness of Peace Corps programs and  
15 staff and the safety of volunteers. The results shall be pro-  
16 vided in aggregate form without identifying information  
17 to the Committee on Foreign Relations and the Committee  
18 on Appropriations of the Senate and the Committee on  
19 Foreign Affairs and the Committee on Appropriations of  
20 the House of Representatives. Results from the annual  
21 volunteer survey shall be considered in reviewing the per-  
22 formance of Peace Corps representatives under subsection  
23 (a).

24       “(d) PEACE CORPS INSPECTOR GENERAL.—The In-  
25 spector General of the Peace Corps shall—

1           “(1) submit to the Committee on Foreign Rela-  
2           tions and the Committee on Appropriations of the  
3           Senate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs and  
4           the Committee on Appropriations of the House of  
5           Representatives—

6                   “(A) a biennial report on reports received  
7                   from volunteers relating to misconduct, mis-  
8                   management, or policy violations of Peace  
9                   Corps staff, any breaches of the confidentiality  
10                  of volunteers, and any actions taken to assure  
11                  the safety of volunteers who provide such re-  
12                  ports;

13                  “(B) a report, not later than two years  
14                  after the date of the enactment of this section  
15                  and every three years thereafter, evaluating the  
16                  effectiveness and implementation of the sexual  
17                  assault risk-reduction and response training de-  
18                  veloped under section 8A and the sexual assault  
19                  policy developed under section 8B, including a  
20                  case review of a statistically significant number  
21                  of cases; and

22                  “(C) a report, not later than two years  
23                  after the date of the enactment of this section,  
24                  describing how Peace Corps representatives are  
25                  hired, how Peace Corps representatives are ter-

1           minated, and how Peace Corps representatives  
2           hire staff, including an assessment of the imple-  
3           mentation of the performance plans described  
4           in subsection (b); and

5           “(2) when conducting audits or evaluations of  
6           Peace Corps programs overseas, notify the Director  
7           of the Peace Corps about the results of such evalua-  
8           tions, including concerns the Inspector General has  
9           noted, if any, about the performance of Peace Corps  
10          representatives, for appropriate action.

11          “ESTABLISHMENT OF A POLICY ON STALKING

12          “SEC. 8F. (a) IN GENERAL.—The President shall de-  
13          velop and implement a comprehensive policy on stalking  
14          that—

15                 “(1) requires an immediate, effective, and thor-  
16                 ough response from the Peace Corps upon receipt of  
17                 a report of stalking;

18                 “(2) provides, during training, all Peace Corps  
19                 volunteers with a point of contact for the reporting  
20                 of stalking; and

21                 “(3) protects the confidentiality of volunteers  
22                 who report stalking to the maximum extent prac-  
23                 ticable.

24          “(b) DEVELOPMENT AND CONSULTATION WITH EX-  
25          PERTS.—In developing the stalking policy under sub-  
26          section (a), the President shall consult with and incor-

1 porate, as appropriate, the recommendations and views of  
 2 those with expertise regarding the crime of stalking.

3 “(c) TRAINING OF IN-COUNTRY STAFF.—The Presi-  
 4 dent shall provide for the training of all in-country staff  
 5 regarding the stalking policy developed under subsection  
 6 (a).

7 “ESTABLISHMENT OF A CONFIDENTIALITY PROTECTION  
 8 POLICY

9 “SEC. 8G. (a) IN GENERAL.—The President shall es-  
 10 tablish and maintain a process to allow volunteers to re-  
 11 port incidents of misconduct or mismanagement, or viola-  
 12 tions of any policy, of the Peace Corps in order to protect  
 13 the confidentiality and safety of such volunteers and of  
 14 the information reported, and to ensure that such infor-  
 15 mation is acted on appropriately. This process shall con-  
 16 form to existing best practices regarding confidentiality.

17 “(b) GUIDANCE.—The President shall provide addi-  
 18 tional training to officers and employees of the Peace  
 19 Corps who have access to information reported by volun-  
 20 teers under subsection (a) in order to protect against the  
 21 inappropriate disclosures of such information and ensure  
 22 the safety of such volunteers.

23 “(c) PENALTY.—Any Peace Corps volunteer or staff  
 24 member who is responsible for maintaining confidentiality  
 25 under subsection (a) and who breaches such duty shall be  
 26 subject to disciplinary action, including termination, and

1 in the case of a staff member, ineligibility for re-employ-  
2 ment with the Peace Corps.

3 “REMOVAL AND ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION

4 “SEC. 8H. (a) IN GENERAL.—If a volunteer requests  
5 removal from the site in which such volunteer is serving  
6 because the volunteer feels at risk of imminent bodily  
7 harm, the President shall, as expeditiously as practical  
8 after receiving such request, remove the volunteer from  
9 the site. If the President receives such a request, the  
10 President shall assess and evaluate the safety of such site  
11 and may not assign another volunteer to the site until  
12 such time as the assessment and evaluation is complete  
13 and the site has been determined to be safe. Volunteers  
14 may remain at a site during the assessment and evalua-  
15 tion.

16 “(b) DETERMINATION OF SITE AS UNSAFE.—If the  
17 President determines that a site is unsafe for any remain-  
18 ing volunteers at the site, the President shall, as expedi-  
19 tiously as practical, remove all volunteers from the site.

20 “(c) TRACKING AND RECORDING.—The President  
21 shall establish a global tracking and recording system to  
22 track and record incidents of crimes against volunteers.

23 “REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

24 “SEC. 8I. (a) IN GENERAL.—The President shall an-  
25 nually submit to the Committee on Foreign Relations and  
26 the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate and the

1 Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Committee on Ap-  
2 propriations of the House of Representatives a report  
3 summarizing information on—

4 “(1) sexual assault of volunteers;

5 “(2) other crimes against volunteers;

6 “(3) the number of arrests, prosecutions, and incar-  
7 cerations for crimes involving Peace Corps volunteers for  
8 every country in which volunteers serve; and

9 “(4) the annual rate of early termination of volun-  
10 teers, including demographic data associated with such  
11 early termination.

12 “(b) GAO.—Not later than one year after the date  
13 of the enactment of this section, the Comptroller General  
14 of the United States shall submit to the Committee on  
15 Foreign Relations and the Committee on Appropriations  
16 of the Senate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs and  
17 the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Rep-  
18 resentatives a report evaluating the quality and accessi-  
19 bility of health care provided through the Department of  
20 Labor to returned volunteers upon their separation from  
21 the Peace Corps.

22 “(c) ACCESS TO COMMUNICATIONS.—

23 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The President shall deter-  
24 mine the level of access to communication, including  
25 cellular and Internet access, of each volunteer.

1           “(2) REPORT.—Not later than six months after  
2           the date of the enactment of this section, the Presi-  
3           dent shall submit to the Committee on Foreign Rela-  
4           tions and the Committee on Appropriations of the  
5           Senate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs and  
6           the Committee on Appropriations of the House of  
7           Representatives a report on the costs, feasibility,  
8           and benefits of providing all volunteers with access  
9           to adequate communication, including cellular serv-  
10          ice and Internet access.”.

11 **SEC. 3. RETENTION OF COUNSEL FOR CRIME VICTIMS.**

12          Section 5(l) of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C.  
13 2504(l)) is amended by inserting before the period at the  
14 end the following: “and counsel may be employed and  
15 counsel fees, court costs and other expenses may be paid  
16 in the support of volunteers who are parties, complaining  
17 witnesses, or otherwise participating in the prosecution of  
18 crimes committed against such volunteers”.

19 **SEC. 4. SENSE OF CONGRESS ON STAFFING OF OFFICE OF**  
20 **VICTIM ADVOCACY.**

21          It is the sense of Congress that—

22               (1) the Office of Victim Advocacy established  
23               under section 8C of the Peace Corps Act, as added  
24               by section 2, should provide an adequate number of

1 victim advocates so that each victim of crime re-  
2 ceives critical information and support;

3 (2) any full-time victim advocates and any addi-  
4 tional victim advocates should be credentialed by a  
5 national victims assistance body; and

6 (3) the training required under section 8A(a) of  
7 the Peace Corps Act, as added by section 2, should  
8 be credentialed by a national victims assistance  
9 body.

10 **SEC. 5. PERSONAL SERVICE CONTRACTS.**

11 The Peace Corps Act is amended—

12 (1) in section 7(a)(3) (22 U.S.C. 2506(a)(3)),  
13 by inserting “, or contracted with for personal serv-  
14 ices under section 10(a)(5),” after “employed, ap-  
15 pointed, or assigned under this subsection”; and

16 (2) in section 10(a)(5) (22 U.S.C. 2509(a)(5)),  
17 by striking “any purpose” and inserting “the pur-  
18 poses of any law administered by the Office of Per-  
19 sonnel Management (except that the President may  
20 determine the applicability to such individuals of  
21 provisions of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22  
22 U.S.C. 3901 et seq.))”.

1 **SEC. 6. INDEPENDENCE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF**  
2 **THE PEACE CORPS.**

3 Section 7(a) of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C.  
4 2506(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following  
5 new paragraph:

6 “(7) The limitations specified in subparagraphs  
7 (A) and (B) of paragraph (2) and in paragraph (5)  
8 shall not apply to—

9 “(A) the Inspector General of the Peace  
10 Corps; and

11 “(B) officers and employees of the Office  
12 of the Inspector General of the Peace Corps.”.

13 **SEC. 7. CONFORMING SAFETY AND SECURITY AGREEMENT**  
14 **REGARDING PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS**  
15 **SERVING IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the  
17 date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the  
18 Peace Corps shall consult with the Assistant Secretary of  
19 State for Diplomatic Security and enter into a memo-  
20 randum of understanding that specifies the duties and ob-  
21 ligations of the Peace Corps and the Bureau of Diplomatic  
22 Security of the Department of State with respect to the  
23 protection of Peace Corps volunteers and staff members  
24 serving in foreign countries, including with respect to in-  
25 vestigations of safety and security incidents and crimes  
26 committed against volunteers and staff members.

1 (b) INSPECTOR GENERAL REVIEW.—

2 (1) REVIEW.—The Inspector General of the  
3 Peace Corps shall review the memorandum of under-  
4 standing described in subsection (a) and be afforded  
5 the opportunity to recommend changes that advance  
6 the safety and security of Peace Corps volunteers be-  
7 fore entry into force of the memorandum of under-  
8 standing.

9 (2) REPORT.—The Director of the Peace Corps  
10 shall consider the recommendations of the Inspector  
11 General of the Peace Corps regarding the memo-  
12 randum of understanding described in subsection  
13 (a). If the Director enters into the memorandum of  
14 understanding without implementing a recommenda-  
15 tion of the Inspector General, the Director shall sub-  
16 mit to the Inspector General a written explanation  
17 relating thereto.

18 (c) FAILURE TO MEET DEADLINE.—

19 (1) REQUIREMENT TO SUBMIT REPORT.—If, by  
20 the date that is 180 days after the date of the enact-  
21 ment of this Act, the Director of the Peace Corps  
22 is unable to obtain agreement with the Assistant  
23 Secretary of State for Diplomatic Security and cer-  
24 tification by the Inspector General of the Peace  
25 Corps, the Director shall submit to the committees

1 of Congress specified in paragraph (2) a report ex-  
2 plaining the reasons for such failure and a certifi-  
3 cation that substantial steps are being taken to  
4 make progress toward agreement.

5 (2) COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS SPECIFIED.—  
6 The committees of Congress specified in this para-  
7 graph are the Committee on Foreign Relations of  
8 the Senate and the Committee on Foreign Affairs of  
9 the House of Representatives.

10 **SEC. 8. PORTFOLIO REVIEWS.**

11 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the Peace Corps  
12 shall, at least once every 3 years, perform a review to  
13 evaluate the allocation and delivery of resources across the  
14 countries the Peace Corps serves or is considering for serv-  
15 ice. Such portfolio reviews shall at a minimum include the  
16 following with respect to each such country:

17 (1) An evaluation of the country's commitment  
18 to the Peace Corps program.

19 (2) An analysis of the safety and security of  
20 volunteers.

21 (3) An evaluation of the country's need for as-  
22 sistance.

23 (4) An analysis of country program costs.

24 (5) An evaluation of the effectiveness of man-  
25 agement of each post within a country.

1           (6) An evaluation of the country’s congruence  
2           with the Peace Corp’s mission and strategic prior-  
3           ities.

4           (b) BRIEFING.—Upon request of the Chairman and  
5           Ranking Member of the Committee on Foreign Relations  
6           of the Senate or the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the  
7           House of Representatives, the Director of the Peace Corps  
8           shall brief such committees on each portfolio review re-  
9           quired under subsection (a). If requested, each such brief-  
10          ing shall discuss performance measures and sources of  
11          data used (such as project status reports, volunteer sur-  
12          veys, impact studies, reports of Inspector General of the  
13          Peace Corps, and any relevant external sources) in making  
14          the findings and conclusions in such review.

15   **SEC. 9. CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.**

16          (a) INCLUSION OF SEXUAL ASSAULT RISK-REDUC-  
17          TION AND RESPONSE TRAINING.—The Peace Corps Act  
18          is amended—

19                (1) in section 5(a) (22 U.S.C. 2504(a)), in the  
20                second sentence, by inserting “(including training  
21                under section 8A)” after “training”; and

22                (2) in section 8(a) (22 U.S.C. 2507(a)), in the  
23                first sentence, by inserting “, including training  
24                under section 8A,” after “training”.

1 (b) CERTAIN SERVICES.—Section 5(e) of the Peace  
2 Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2504(e)) is amended, in the first  
3 sentence—

4 (1) by inserting “(including, if necessary, for  
5 volunteers and trainees, services under section 8B)”  
6 after “health care”; and

7 (2) by inserting “including services provided in  
8 accordance with section 8B (except that the six-  
9 month limitation shall not apply in the case of such  
10 services),” before “as the President”.

11 **SEC. 10. OFFSET OF COSTS AND PERSONNEL.**

12 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Di-  
13 rect of the Peace Corps shall—

14 (1) eliminate such initiatives, positions, and  
15 programs within the Peace Corps (other than within  
16 the Office of Inspector General) as the Director  
17 deems necessary to ensure any and all costs incurred  
18 to carry out the provisions of this Act, and the  
19 amendments made by this Act, are entirely offset;

20 (2) ensure no net increase in personnel are  
21 added to carry out the provisions of this Act, with  
22 any new full or part time employees or equivalents  
23 offset by eliminating an equivalent number of exist-  
24 ing staff (other than within the Office of Inspector  
25 General);

