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AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To require a report on efforts by Venezuelan state actors and transnational criminal organizations to capture and detain United States citizens as hostages.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—117th Cong., 2d Sess.

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To require a United States security strategy for the Western Hemisphere, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on _____ and ordered to be printed

Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. CRUZ

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1 At the end, add the following:

2 **SEC. 4. REPORT ON EFFORTS TO CAPTURE AND DETAIN**

3 **UNITED STATES CITIZENS AS HOSTAGES.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the
5 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State
6 shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress
7 (as that term is defined in section 3) a report on efforts
8 by the Government of Venezuela to detain United States
9 citizens and permanent residents.

10 (b) ELEMENTS.—The report required under sub-
11 section (a) shall include, regarding the seizure and detain-

1 ment of United States citizens or permanent resident
2 aliens—

3 (1) the names and positions of Venezuelan per-
4 sons or those acting on their behalf who have en-
5 gaged in those activities;

6 (2) a description of any roles played by
7 transnational criminal organizations, and an identi-
8 fication of those organizations; and

9 (3) where relevant, an assessment of whether
10 and how United States citizens and permanent resi-
11 dent aliens have been lured to Venezuela.

12 (b) FORM.—The report required under subsection (a)
13 shall be submitted in unclassified form, but shall include
14 a classified annex listing the total number of United
15 States citizens and permanent resident aliens presently in
16 custody of Venezuelan state actors operating in the hemi-
17 sphere.