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**AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 3087
OFFERED BY MR. ABERCROMBIE OF HAWAII**

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 **SECTION 1. FINDINGS.**

2 Congress finds the following:

3 (1) The Authorization for Use of Military Force
4 Against Iraq Resolution of 2002 (Public Law 107-
5 243), enacted into law on October 16, 2002, author-
6 ized the President to use the Armed Forces as the
7 President determined necessary and appropriate in
8 order to defend the national security of the United
9 States against the continuing threat posed by the
10 Government of Iraq at that time.

11 (2) The Government of Iraq which was in
12 power at the time the Authorization for Use of Mili-
13 tary Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002 was en-
14 acted into law has been removed from power and its
15 leader indicted, tried, convicted, and executed by the
16 new freely-elected democratic Government of Iraq.

17 (3) The current Government of Iraq does not
18 pose a threat to the United States or its interests.

1 (D) preserving military equipment nec-
2 essary to defend the national security interests
3 of the United States; and

4 (4) contingency planning for a redeployment of
5 the Armed Forces from Iraq should—

6 (A) describe a range of possible scenarios
7 for such redeployment;

8 (B) outline multiple possible timetables for
9 such redeployment; and

10 (C) describe the possible missions, and the
11 associated projected number of members, of the
12 Armed Forces which would remain in Iraq, in-
13 cluding to—

14 (i) conduct United States military op-
15 erations to protect vital United States na-
16 tional security interests;

17 (ii) conduct counterterrorism oper-
18 ations against Al Qaeda in Iraq and affili-
19 ated terrorist organizations;

20 (iii) protect the Armed Forces, United
21 States diplomatic and military facilities,
22 and United States civilians; and

23 (iv) support and equip Iraqi forces to
24 take full responsibility for their own secu-
25 rity.

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1 sional briefings under subsection (b) shall terminate on
2 the date on which the Secretary of Defense submits to
3 the congressional defense committees a certification in
4 writing that the Armed Forces are no longer primarily en-
5 gaged in a combat mission in Iraq.

6 (d) CONGRESSIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEES DE-
7 FINED.—In this section, the term “congressional defense
8 committees” has the meaning given the term in section
9 101 of title 10, United States Code.

10 **SEC. 4. ARMED FORCES DEFINED.**

11 In this Act, the term “Armed Forces” has the mean-
12 ing given the term in section 101 of title 10, United States
13 Code.