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To require the Secretary of State to produce a comprehensive strategy relating to United States international policy with regard to cyberspace, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. McCAUL introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “International Cyber
5 Policy Oversight Act of 2015”.

6 **SEC. 2. DEPARTMENT OF STATE INTERNATIONAL CYBER-**
7 **SPACE POLICY STRATEGY.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
9 date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State

1 shall produce a comprehensive strategy, with a classified
2 annex if necessary, relating to United States international
3 policy with regard to cyberspace.

4 (b) ELEMENTS.—The strategy required in subsection
5 (a) shall include the following:

6 (1) A review of actions and activities under-
7 taken by the Secretary of State to date to support
8 the goal of the President’s International Strategy for
9 Cyberspace, released in May 2011, to “work inter-
10 nationally to promote an open, interoperable, secure,
11 and reliable information and communications infra-
12 structure that supports international trade and com-
13 merce, strengthens international security, and fos-
14 ters free expression and innovation”.

15 (2) A plan of action to guide the Secretary of
16 State’s diplomacy with regard to countries, including
17 conducting bilateral and multilateral activities to de-
18 velop the norms of responsible international behavior
19 in cyberspace, and status review of existing discus-
20 sions in multilateral fora to obtain agreements on
21 international norms in cyberspace.

22 (3) A review of the alternative concepts with re-
23 gard to international norms in cyberspace offered by
24 other prominent country actors.

1 (4) A detailed description of threats to United
2 States national security in cyberspace from other
3 countries, state-sponsored actors and private actors,
4 to United States Federal and private sector infra-
5 structure, United States intellectual property, and
6 the privacy of United States citizens.

7 (5) A review of policy tools available to the
8 President to deter countries, state-sponsored actors,
9 and private actors, including those outlined in Exec-
10 utive Order 13694, released on April 1, 2015.

11 (6) A review of resources required by the Sec-
12 retary of State, including the Office of the Coordi-
13 nator for Cyber Issues, to conduct activities to build
14 responsible norms of international cyber behavior.

15 (c) CONSULTATION.—The Secretary of State shall
16 consult, as appropriate, with other United States Govern-
17 ment agencies, the United States private sector, and
18 United States nongovernmental organizations with recog-
19 nized credentials and expertise in foreign policy, national
20 security, and cybersecurity.

21 (d) RELEASE.—The Secretary of State shall publicly
22 release the strategy required in subsection (a) and brief
23 the appropriate congressional committees upon its release,

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- 1 including on the classified annex, if the strategy includes
- 2 such an annex.

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