AMENDMENT NO. ________  Calendar No. ________

Purpose: To limit security assistance to Cameroon until the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State, certifies that the military and security forces of Cameroon have demonstrated progress in abiding by international human rights standards.

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To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2020 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, 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. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, and Mr. Kaine) to the amendment (No. 764) proposed by Mr. INHOFE

Viz:

1. At the end of subtitle G of title XII, add the following:

3 SEC. 1290. LIMITATION ON SECURITY ASSISTANCE TO CAMEROON.

5 (a) In General.—Except as provided in subsection

6 (b), no Federal funds may be obligated or expended to

7 provide any security assistance or to engage in any secu-
rity cooperation with the military and security forces of Cameroon until the date on which the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State, certifies to the appropriate committees of Congress that such military and security forces—

(1) have demonstrated significant progress in abiding by international human rights standards and preventing abuses in the Anglophone conflict; and

(2) are not using any United States assistance in carrying out such abuses.

(b) EXCEPTION.—Notwithstanding subsection (a), Federal funds may be obligated or expended to conduct or support programs providing training and equipment to national security forces of Cameroon for the purposes of counterterrorism operations in the fight against Boko Haram.

(c) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DEFINED.—In this section, the term “appropriate committees of Congress” means—

(1) the Committee on Foreign Relations, the Committee on Armed Services, and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate; and

(2) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee on Armed Services, and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.