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# H. R. 4466

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. LYNCH introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, Intelligence (Permanent Select), and Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## 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 “National Strategy for  
5 the Global Information Domain Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. FEDERAL INTERAGENCY WORKING GROUP ON THE**  
2 **GLOBAL INFORMATION DOMAIN.**

3 (a) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the  
4 Executive Office of the President a working group to be  
5 known as the Federal Interagency Working Group on the  
6 Global Information Domain (in this section referred to as  
7 the “Working Group”).

8 (b) MEMBERSHIP.—

9 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Working Group shall be  
10 composed of no less than six members appointed by  
11 the President and chosen from among the following:

12 (A) Members of the National Security  
13 Council described or designated by the Presi-  
14 dent under section 101(c)(1) of the National  
15 Security Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 3021(c)(1)).

16 (B) Any officer described in section  
17 101(c)(2) of the National Security Act of 1950  
18 (50 U.S.C. 3021(c)(2)).

19 (C) Any position identified as a “member”  
20 or “regular attendee” of the National Security  
21 Council in a presidential directive establishing  
22 the structure and function of the National Se-  
23 curity Council.

24 (2) DESIGNATES.—Members of the Working  
25 Group, acting in their official capacity, may des-

1        designate employees with authority to act on their be-  
2        half.

3            (3) CHAIRPERSON.—The Chairperson of the  
4        Working Group shall be appointed by the President.  
5        (c) DIRECTOR; STAFF.—

6            (1) DIRECTOR.—The Working Group shall have  
7        a Director who shall be appointed by the Chair-  
8        person.

9            (2) STAFF.—The Director may appoint and fix  
10       the pay of additional personnel as the Director con-  
11       siders appropriate.

12           (3) DUTIES.—The duties of the Director and  
13       staff shall be to achieve the goals and carry out the  
14       duties of the Working Group.

15        (d) NATIONAL STRATEGY FOR THE GLOBAL INFOR-  
16       MATION DOMAIN.—

17           (1) DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL STRATEGY.—  
18       The primary goal of the Working Group is to de-  
19       velop a national strategy for the global information  
20       domain which shall include, at a minimum the fol-  
21       lowing:

22            (A) A prioritization of the global informa-  
23       tion domain as an arena for international com-  
24       petition vital to the national security of the  
25       United States.

1           (B) A description of how adversarial state  
2           and non-state actors are attempting to define  
3           and control the global information domain in  
4           order to achieve the goals of shaping global  
5           opinion and achieving strategic advantage.

6           (C) A description of the critical role of ar-  
7           tificial intelligence-enabled malign information  
8           in the efforts of adversarial state and non-state  
9           actors to achieve the goals described in sub-  
10          paragraph (B).

11          (D) An identification of and prioritization  
12          of actions to defend, counter, and compete  
13          against malign information operations as a na-  
14          tional security threat.

15          (E) As necessary, recommendations for  
16          any update to critical infrastructure designa-  
17          tions identified by Presidential Policy Directive  
18          21 and a recommendation for the relevant de-  
19          partments and agencies to update sector-spe-  
20          cific plans to reflect emerging technologies.

21          (F) A recommendation for organizational  
22          structures for national security agencies to  
23          counter and compete against the threat.

1           (2) CLASSIFIED ANNEX.—The National Strat-  
2       egy required by paragraph (1) may include a classi-  
3       fied annex.

4           (3) DEADLINE.—Not later than 270 days after  
5       the date of the enactment of this section, the Presi-  
6       dent shall transmit to Congress the national strategy  
7       required by paragraph (1).

8           (e) SUNSET.—The Working Group shall terminate  
9       not later than 3 months after the date on which the na-  
10      tional strategy is transmitted pursuant to subsection  
11      (d)(1).

12          (f) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

13           (1) CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE.—The term  
14       “critical infrastructure” has the meaning given that  
15       term in section 1016(e) of the Critical Infrastruc-  
16       tures Protection Act of 2001 (42 U.S.C. 5195c(e)).

17           (2) GLOBAL INFORMATION DOMAIN.—The term  
18       “global information domain” means a sphere of stra-  
19       tegic competition in which state and non-state actors  
20       create, obtain, fuse, analyze, distort, transfer, ex-  
21       change, or disseminate information, overtly or cov-  
22       ertly, to influence public opinion for national secu-  
23       rity, geopolitical, or economic purposes.

24           (3) NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY.—The term  
25       “national security agency” has the meaning given

1       that term in section 681 of the Communications  
2       Satellite Act of 1962 (47 U.S.C. 769(a)).

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