

1           (3) *PERIOD OF APPOINTMENT; VACANCIES.*—  
2           *Members shall be appointed for the life of the commis-*  
3           *sion. Any vacancy in the commission shall be filled*  
4           *in the same manner as the original appointment.*

5           (c) *DUTIES.*—

6           (1) *REVIEW.*—*The commission shall conduct a*  
7           *review of the strategic posture of the United States,*  
8           *including a strategic threat assessment and a detailed*  
9           *review of nuclear weapons policy, strategy, and force*  
10           *structure.*

11           (2) *ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDATIONS.*—

12           (A) *ASSESSMENT.*—*The commission shall*  
13           *assess the benefits and risks associated with the*  
14           *current strategic posture and nuclear weapons*  
15           *policies of the United States.*

16           (B) *RECOMMENDATIONS.*—*The commission*  
17           *shall make recommendations as to the most ap-*  
18           *propriate strategic posture and most effective nu-*  
19           *clear weapons strategy.*

20           (d) *COOPERATION FROM GOVERNMENT.*—

21           (1) *COOPERATION.*—*In carrying out its duties,*  
22           *the commission shall receive the full and timely co-*  
23           *operation of the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of*  
24           *Energy, the Secretary of State, the Director of Na-*  
25           *tional Intelligence, and any other United States Gov-*

1        *ernment official in providing the commission with*  
2        *analyses, briefings, and other information necessary*  
3        *for the fulfillment of its responsibilities.*

4            *(2) LIAISON.—The Secretary of Defense, the Sec-*  
5        *retary of Energy, the Secretary of State, and the Di-*  
6        *rector of National Intelligence shall each designate at*  
7        *least one officer or employee of the Department of De-*  
8        *fense, the Department of Energy, the Department of*  
9        *State, and the intelligence community, respectively, to*  
10       *serve as a liaison officer between the department (or*  
11       *the intelligence community, as the case may be) and*  
12       *the commission.*

13       *(e) REPORT.—Not later than December 1, 2008, the* u  
14       *commission shall submit to the President, the Secretary of*  
15       *Defense, the Secretary of Energy, the Secretary of State,*  
16       *the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate, and the*  
17       *Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representa-*  
18       *tives a report on the commission's findings, conclusions,*  
19       *and recommendations. The report shall identify the stra-*  
20       *tegic posture and nuclear weapons strategy recommended*  
21       *under subsection (c)(2)(B) and shall include—*

22            *(1) the military capabilities and force structure*  
23        *necessary to support the strategy, including conven-*  
24        *tional means of providing global strike capabilities;*

1           (2) *the number of nuclear weapons required to*  
2           *support the strategy, including the number of replace-*  
3           *ment warheads required, if any;*

4           (3) *the appropriate qualitative analysis, includ-*  
5           *ing force-on-force exchange modeling, to calculate the*  
6           *effectiveness of the strategy under various scenarios;*

7           (4) *the nuclear infrastructure (that is, the size of*  
8           *the nuclear complex) required to support the strategy;*

9           (5) *an assessment of the role of missile defenses*  
10          *in the strategy;*

11          (6) *an assessment of the role of nonproliferation*  
12          *programs in the strategy;*

13          (7) *the political and military implications of the*  
14          *strategy for the United States and its allies; and*

15          (8) *any other information or recommendations*  
16          *relating to the strategy (or to the strategic posture)*  
17          *that the commission considers appropriate.*

18          (f) *FUNDING.*—*Of the amounts appropriated or other-*  
19          *wise made available pursuant to this Act to the Department*  
20          *of Defense, \$5,000,000 is available to fund the activities of*  
21          *the commission.*

22          (g) *TERMINATION.*—*The commission shall terminate*  
23          *on June 1, 2009.*