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AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2584
OFFERED BY MR. CHABOT OF OHIO

Add at the end of title VIII the following (and conform the table of contents accordingly):

1 **SEC. 813. PENDING CLAIMS AGAINST THE KINGDOM OF**
2 **SAUDI ARABIA.**

3 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

4 (1) On May 19, 1992, the Subcommittee on
5 Europe and the Near East of the Committee on
6 Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives held
7 a hearing concerning commercial abuses experienced
8 by United States companies in Saudi Arabia and
9 brought the matter to the attention of the Saudi
10 Embassy.

11 (2) As a result of the May 19, 1992, hearing,
12 outstanding claims by United States companies
13 against the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia resulted in the
14 initiation by the Committee on Foreign Affairs of
15 the House of Representatives and the Committee on
16 Foreign Relations of the Senate of a special claims
17 process to resolve the claims, which was included in
18 subsequent legislation.

1 (3) Failure to resolve all such claims has set a
2 poor precedent for dispute resolution processes and
3 trade relations between the United States and the
4 Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

5 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-
6 gress that the Secretary of State should—

7 (1) immediately engage with the Kingdom of
8 Saudi Arabia to resolve any outstanding claims de-
9 scribed in subsection (a) through the special claims
10 process described in that subsection; and

11 (2) take this matter into account when review-
12 ing United States relations with the Kingdom of
13 Saudi Arabia, including with respect to current and
14 future trade agreements and related activities.

15 (c) REPORT.—The Secretary of State shall, not later
16 than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act,
17 and not later than 120 days thereafter, submit to the ap-
18 propriate congressional committees a report on the
19 progress achieved in resolving any remaining claims de-
20 scribed in subsection (a).

