

1 or the Joint Chiefs of Staff. After first informing the Secre-
 2 tary of Defense, such a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff
 3 may submit to the President any opinion in disagreement
 4 with military advice of the Chairman or the Joint Chiefs of
 5 Staff.”.

6 **SEC. 4. CHAIN OF COMMAND.**

7 Section 142(c) title 10, United States Code, is amend-
 8 ed—

9 (1) by inserting “(1)” after “(c)”; and

10 (2) by adding at the end thereof the following new
 11 paragraph:

12 “(2) The President or Secretary of Defense may direct
 13 that the national military chain of command runs to the com-
 14 manders of the unified and specified combatant commands
 15 through the Chairman.”.

16 **SEC. 5. SUPERVISION OF COMBATANT COMMANDS.**

17 Section 124(c)(2) of title 10, United States Code, is
 18 amended by striking out “acts as the spokesman for the com-
 19 manders of the combatant commands” and inserting in lieu
 20 thereof “supervises the commanders of the combatant com-
 21 mands and acts as their spokesman”.

22 **SEC. 6. TERM OF CHAIRMAN.**

23 (a) **EXTENSION OF TERM TO FOUR YEARS.**—Section
 24 142(a) of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

25 (1) by inserting “(1)” after “(a)”; and