

Congress of the United States  
Washington, DC 20515

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**Support a Clean Supplemental**  
*Armed Services Committee Republicans Oppose Non-Defense  
Funding on Defense Supplemental*

Dear Republican Colleagues;

As we prepare to consider the FY2009 Defense Supplemental Conference Report, we must stand in clear opposition to any attempt to carry billions in unrelated spending on the backs of the troops. A troop funding bill should fund our troops, nothing less, nothing more. If the majority wants to give international organizations billions of taxpayer dollars, we should have a separate and thorough debate.

As members of the House Armed Services Committee, we are opposed to any attempt to attach non-defense spending to the defense supplemental. This bill is about providing our men and women in uniform with the support they need. We must send the President a clean bill to fund our operations in Iraq, Afghanistan and around the world. Please join us in voting against any attempt to weigh down the funds our military needs with billions in unrelated spending. Our military is already running out of money and cannot afford to wait any longer—we must pass a clean supplemental now.

Sincerely,

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