

## Securing America's Freedom, Homeland, and Borders

*American security is dependent on combating terrorism, promoting democracy worldwide, and supporting a well-trained and well-equipped military and their families.*

### **Senate Republicans support the mission of the Global War on Terror:**

- Hunting down the terrorists
- Helping Iraqis build a free nation that is an ally in the War on Terror
- Advancing freedom in the broader Middle East
- Removing a source of violence and instability – and laying the foundation for peace for our children and our grandchildren

### **Senate Republicans have responded to the President's call for additional funding to ensure success in Iraq and Afghanistan.**

- The emergency funding provides \$65.8 billion to support Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom, the same level as the budget request.
- This funding is provided to ensure that resources, equipment, and supplies are available for our services members without interruption.
- In addition, the bill, totaling \$94.6 billion, includes funding for hurricane recovery in the Gulf Coast, pandemic flu preparation, border security, levee repair, and flood control projects.

### **Senate Republicans will deliver our men and woman in uniform, and their families, the resources they need to fight the war on terror in Iraq and Afghanistan.**

- Their sacrifice is vital to the future security of our country.
- The American people are behind them.
- There is no higher calling than service in our Armed Forces.

*Source: Senate Republican Conference, War on Terror Working Group, Senate Committee on Appropriations, Senate Committee on Armed Services*



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## Progress in Iraq – Al Zaraqawi Killed by Coalition Forces, Unity Government Complete

**The men and women who wear our country's uniform and who are in harm's way are to be commended for their dedication in defeating the terrorist network in Iraq.**

- The past tactics of Al Zaraqawi were daily reminders that our enemies will stop at nothing to destroy our way of life and kill anyone who disagrees with their radical ideology.
- Zaraqawi personally beheaded American hostages and other civilians in Iraq. Osama bin Laden called him the "Prince of Al Qaeda in Iraq."
- Al Zaraqawi's death is a severe blow to Al Qaeda, a victory for the Iraqi people, and an opportunity for Iraq's new government.

### **Senate Republicans recognize the tremendous opportunity for progress in Iraq.**

- The formation of a complete unity government in Iraq is a huge step toward building democracy, securing the country, and growing a free economy.
- Prime Minister Maliki has the right agenda for moving Iraq forward, and the U.S. will align our efforts in Iraq to help the government succeed.
- Naming a minister of the Interior and a minister of defense are significant steps toward Iraqi leaders increasingly taking the lead on security matters.

### **Senate Republicans are confident that a free and stable Iraq will be realized.**

- The world is safer because Saddam is gone. Saddam terrorized his own people, destabilized the region, and was a danger to the world.
- We cannot cut and run. The cost of leaving before victory is achieved is too high.
- The Iraqis are committed to their future as a free society, we cannot abandon our allies in the middle of a tough fight; a fight that, together, we are winning.

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