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Dear Friends,

I know all of our thoughts and prayers are with the victims of Hurricane Katrina. I join millions of Americans who have been stunned by television coverage showing the desperation of thousands and thousands of our citizens and the failure of our government to provide them with essential services.

The survivors who have been displaced by this catastrophe will require a vigorous, sustained federal support. I have written to the President calling on him to immediately open military bases and other federal facilities to share the burden of providing temporary housing for those who have been displaced.

Sports stadiums were never intended -- nor are they adequately equipped -- to serve as even **temporary** housing for survivors of natural disasters. American military bases are secure and they have the infrastructure needed to feed, house and provide medical care for those who have been affected.

In addition, I have called for an independent, bipartisan commission, similar to the 9/11 Commission, to examine what went wrong. I also have called for Congressional hearings to investigate the gas gouging that has spread across the nation -- taking advantage of human tragedy to make a profit.

Hurricane Katrina has inflicted a grievous wound on our nation, but it is a wound that we will recover from because we have the strength and determination to rebuild.

Sincerely,

Benjamin L. Cardin
Member of Congress

ORGANIZATIONS COORDINATING HURRICANE RELIEF EFFORTS

*** Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)**

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Red Cross

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(The Red Cross is accepting calls to search for missing people who have serious medical conditions)

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Should the U.S. adopt the Kyoto Protocol limiting emissions of greenhouse gases by industrial nations in an effort to control global warming?

Answer	Percent
Yes	75.61%
No	24.39%
Total	100%

New Survey Question

To date, do you believe that the federal government has responded adequately to helping the victims of Hurricane Katrina?

Yes

No

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