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Supporting Our Troops Web Sites

Dear Colleague:

Since the deployment of "Operation Iraqi Freedom", the Congress and all Americans have come together to show our troops that we are behind them, and that we deeply appreciate their service to our country. Constituents from around the country have urgently sought sources of timely news and official information about how they can be of assistance to our troops stationed overseas.

We remind Members that, to assist their constituents seeking information on how they can support troops overseas, they may establish links to such news and information web sites to enhance their constituents' access to such information. However it is essential that such links comply with House rules.

In publishing web site links consistent with House rules, official sites should direct constituents to informational materials, and not locations containing only solicitations. By doing so, Members can avoid engaging in solicitations which is prohibited under House rules, including solicitations for money, volunteerism, or other things of value.

We will continue seeking ways to help Members serve their constituents during "Operation Iraqi Freedom". We welcome your inquires and suggestions.

Sincerely,

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Chairman Ranking Member