Congress Passes Paul Amendment to Reject UN Taxes

June 15, 2005 Washington, DC: The US House of Representatives today unanimously passed legislation introduced by Congressman Ron Paul that ensures no Americans will be forced to pay taxes to the United Nations. Under Paul's amendment to a State Department funding bill, no US taxpayer dollars may be used to develop, implement, or impose any tax on American citizens to raise revenue for the UN. "The UN continues to build the foundation for global government, and a worldwide tax is the key to their entire agenda," Paul stated. "This is not hyperbole-- in fact, the UN's own website is quite open about the organization's ambitions. The UN has established a system of international laws and international courts; now it needs an enforcement mechanism in the form of an international army. If UN bureaucrats succeed in creating a worldwide tax, they will become totally unaccountable to national governments and their citizens."

The UN has sought to impose a global tax for years. The infamous "Tobin Tax," imposed on cross-border currency transactions, has been the dream of UN globalists since the late 1970s. The Tobin Tax was designed to create an independent source of funding for UN bureaucrats, who resent having to rely on what they see as paltry UN dues paid by member nations. A tax on currency exchanges conservatively would raise $300 billion annually, giving the UN an ongoing stream of income.

Political differences thus far have prevented the Tobin Tax from becoming a reality, but many other UN tax proposals have been considered. In 2004 a group of G8 nations agreed to explore a UN tax on airline tickets, which also could raise billions every year. Paul's legislation sends a strong message to the world that the American people will not accept any form of UN taxation.