

Paul Leads Congress in Historic UN Vote

Washington, DC- Congressman Ron Paul, the leading proponent in Congress for withdrawing the United States from the United Nations, yesterday led an historic House vote in support of American sovereignty. Paul's amendment to a foreign relations bill, which would end all American funding for the UN, garnered the support of more than 70 of his House colleagues.

"We're making progress," Paul stated. "The number of Americans- and elected officials- who understand that participation in the United Nations is incompatible with our Constitution is growing. In seeking UN support for the war in Iraq, the administration provided us with a vivid lesson in just how political the UN really is. People are starting to understand that the UN not only egregiously wastes taxpayer money, but also is actively hostile to America."

"Both our foreign policy and domestic laws must be crafted by Congress, not by an international body," Paul continued. "Yet the UN increasingly wants to determine our environmental, trade, labor, gun, and tax laws. It wants to ignore our Bill of Rights and try American citizens in its phony international courts. It wants to usurp the congressional war-making power, and send our soldiers around the world to fight as UN 'peacekeepers.' At some point, the American people will have to choose between American national sovereignty and an increasingly powerful UN global government."

"The UN is neither wise nor neutral," Paul concluded. "The member nations all have their own self-interested agendas, and those agendas don't somehow transform into peaceful benevolence when the UN general assembly meets. The bottom line is that the UN serves as a forum for anti-American sentiment, and we're stupid to continue funding and supporting that forum."