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**National Security Highlights from Capitol Hill.**

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**Week of 14-18 October 2013**

- **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15**

**Rep. Trent Franks (R-AZ)** introduced **H.R. 3292: United States-Iran Nuclear Negotiations**. The bill would prevent the Government of Iran from gaining a nuclear weapons capability and to maximize the United States' diplomatic influence to achieve, consistent with the national security interest of the US and its allies and partners, a negotiated settlement with Iran regarding its nuclear weapons program. H.R. 3292 was assigned to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, as well as the House Committees on Financial Services and Oversight and Government Reform.

- **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16**

**Sen. Lindsey Graham (R-SC)** introduced **S. Res. 271**: A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States military assistance for Cambodia should be suspended until an independent and credible investigation occurs into the July 28, 2013 parliamentary elections, and election reforms are being implemented by the Government of Cambodia. The resolution was assigned to the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, where it awaits deliberation.

**Sen. Marco Rubio (R-FL)** introduced **S. Res. 269**: A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on United States policy regarding possession of enrichment and reprocessing capabilities by the Islamic Republic of Iran. The resolution reinforces the existing US policy disallowing the Government of Iran to develop a nuclear weapon, adding that sanctions will be passed without delay until Iran has taken steps toward nuclear disarmament. The resolution was assigned to the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, where it awaits deliberation.

**President Barack Obama** reported to the Congress his continuation of the national emergency with respect to significant narcotics traffickers in Colombia as so declared in **Executive Order 12978 of October 21, 1995**. The President stated the unresolved emergency in Colombia posed an "[extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States and abroad.](#)"

- **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17**

**H. R. 2775: Continuing Appropriations Act, 2014** was signed into public law (Pub. L. 113-46) by the President, thereby ending the government shutdown and raising the debt ceiling.

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