I thank the gentleman.

There are two issues before Congress:

one is the reassertion of its responsibility

under article I and the War Powers

Act; number two is the decision on

the limited use of force for humanitarian

missions in Libya. The Hastings

resolution accomplishes both.

It reasserts our authority under article

I and the War Powers Act. It says,

yes, we do support limited intervention

with a role for the U.S. in saving lives

in Libya. That mission is necessary to

avert a humanitarian disaster. Two,

the mission has broad international

support, including from the Arab

League. Three, the U.S. role is limited

in scope: no boots on the ground. And,

finally, we are, by acting, asserting our

responsibility under the War Powers

Act and our responsibility under article

I.