Mr. Speaker, the gentlewoman

from California is a woman

of courage, a woman of peace. We

thank her for her leadership.

I heard the gentleman from Illinois,

the chairman, earlier worry about our

status as a sovereign Nation if this motion

passes. This is a motion which

makes our sovereign Nation safer. In

the 21st century, the wars against terrorism,

those wars require and will require

international cooperation. We

cannot go it alone in the 21st century.

We cannot go it alone in a war against

terrorism. We must have the world

community with us.

We will be less safe if we do not pass

this resolution. America will be less

safe if we pass the resolution that the

President wants. We dilute our war

against terrorism, we increase the possibility

of terrorists getting weapons of

mass destruction. The al Qaeda I would

think would be cheering the passage of

the underlying resolution because the

instability of the area, for example, in

Pakistan would more likely give them

a nuclear weapon. Let us work with the

international community. Let us work

with the United Nations. Let us follow

the path of peace. Let us support the

Lee amendment.