Mr.

Speaker, I rise to unite this body and

the Nation behind the Spratt resolution

of which I am a proud cosponsor.

The Spratt resolution both strengthens

the President’s hand and demonstrates

national resolve. It preserves

the constitutional authority that resides

with this Congress and does not

abdicate our role to the United Nations.

Many have stepped forward, including

many notable Republicans, Mr.

Scowcroft, Mr. Eagleburger, Mr. Baker,

and several others, who understand the

deep importance and abiding concern

that many of us on this aisle share

with not only them, but people all

across this Nation.

Thomas Friedman spoke at a recent

book tour about the consequences of

our doctrine, long term, and its effect,

and he was struck by the one man in

the audience who came up to him and

reached into his wallet and produced

but a picture of his children. It spoke

volumes. We need say nothing else.

Support the Spratt alternative.