Mr. Speaker, I thank

the gentleman for yielding me time.

Mr. Speaker, a formal authorization

for use of force now is just that, a formality.

We have now been in war and

have been since Tuesday morning. As

Americans, we did not seek this war,

but we will not shirk from defending

our country. Let us go forth with confidence;

let us go forth with resolve, to

seek down these murderers, to destroy

them, and to destroy their ability to

repeat Tuesday’s dastardly attack.

Our response must encompass not

only those who perpetrated the crime,

but those who supported it, and all

those who have sheltered and provided

resources to these killers. In this, I am

confident all America is united.

May God be with us.