Mr. Speaker, I thank the

gentlewoman for yielding this time to

me and congratulate the committee on

both sides of the aisle.

I think, however, when we look

around and see some of the rhetoric

that is going on, let’s take a look at

what is happening.

We have probably one of the most

dangerous countries in the world run

by fanatics that is in the process of

producing a nuclear weapon. We have

the Iranians financing the terrorists in

Iraq killing American soldiers. We

have the Iranians in Iraq killing innocent

Iraqis. We have the Iranians in

Iraq killing innocent Lebanese with

the Hezbollah. And we are standing

here today listening to people talk

about press releases.

Come on, guys. Isn’t there something

that can draw this Congress together?

It already has brought together responsible

Democrats and Republicans. But

to come forward and talk of this nature

is absolutely counterproductive. It

does not help us in our country, and we

should stop it now. We need to put up

a unified force in this country.

We are aiding and abetting the

enemy when we stress our division. Of

course we are going to disagree. That is

healthy. That is what democracy is all

about. But on some of these items,

such as what we are talking about here

today, when American soldiers are

spilling their blood and that blood is

being spilt with Iranian money, can’t

we start talking about America and

quit talking about politics?