Mr. Speaker, the

Middle East is in turmoil. Citizens are

in revolt and are ousting their dictators.

One of the worst rulers is

Muammar Qadhafi in Libya. Qadhafi is

so bad, the President has involved the

United States military in support of

the rebels there.

However, Secretary of Defense Gates

has stated our national security interest

is not at risk in Libya. So why are

we there?

It seems to me this war is being

waged under a new ‘‘Doctrine of Humanity.’’

In other words, the United

States will now decide when to drop

bombs on another country in the name

of humanity when a ruler we don’t like

acts against humanity. This fuzzy emotional

doctrine ultimately gives a

President the unilateral ability to intervene

militarily anywhere the President

doesn’t like the way a foreign

ruler treats his people.

The President needs to clarify this

doctrine of ‘‘War in the Name of Humanity.’’

What constitutional authority

gives the President the right to

enter another country’s civil war when

our national security is not at risk?

America needs some answers.

And that’s just the way it is.