Mr. Speaker, in my opinion, this is the most inept

foreign policy in the history of the United States. The Pentagon told

the President not to bomb, that it would only exacerbate the problems.

We have forced over 1 million refugees. 2,012 were killed in Kosovo

prior to the bombing. NATO has killed more Albanians than the Serbs did

in an entire year, and yet we have exacerbated those problems.

``So, what do you do, Duke?'' First you halt the bombing, then you

have your POW's returned and you have Milosevic take his forces out of

there. Use Russian troops. Right now they are the antagonists. Make

them part of the solution. Use the Russians, use the Greeks, use the

Scandinavians, use the Italians, to come in there as peacekeepers and

separate these people.

The President has to look Izetbegovic in the face, he has got to look

the President of Albania in the face, and say we want 100 percent of

the Iranians, the Iraqis and the Afghanistanis, with the KLA and

Mujahedeen and Hamas, out of there, because Albania has been in

expansionism since the 1850's, tried to take Montenegro, Macedonia and

Greece. You have got to get them out of there or they are going to be a

problem. The Albanians have got to stop their expansionism.

Cantonization possibly of Kosovo, but you have got to take Kosovo off

the table.

One of the President's big faults, he did not recognize what Kosovo

means to the Serbs. It is their Jerusalem. Yes, maybe you can Cantonize

it, like you do in the Scandinavian countries, but it will have to be

part of Serbia. It is not just Milosevic. The Serbia people and their

nationalism will not give up Kosovo. Until they realize that, there is

going to be a problem.

You need to take a look at 95 percent of the aid goes to the

federation. You have got Croatians, about 70 percent are out of work;

the Serbs, the same, and you have got to stabilize that part of the

country.

Mr. Speaker, this is a difficult time for most of us.

And I heard my colleague a minute ago say we want to stop ethnic

cleansing.

The Pentagon told the President, and I know every one of them by

their first names and I have fought in combat with most of them, told

the President not to do this, that it would only cause more problems.

And that is what we have done.

There was only a little over 2,000 people killed in Kosovo prior to

the bombing. NATO and the United States have killed more Albanians than

the Serbs had in the year prior. We would not have a million refugees in

the outlying countries. We have forced that.

The Pentagon told the President that Milosevic would increase the

ethnic cleansing. And when my colleague says that no more will we stand

up, Tudjman murdered 10,000 Serbs in 1995, 750,000 refugees, where was

he then? There are other ways.

Maybe some of us who have fought in combat and have held our friends

in our arms do not want to get in and see this again. Do not let us put

ground troops into this thing. And there is a peaceful way to resolve

this and we can do that. I went through it just a minute ago.

Russia: Seventy percent of the Russians support the overthrow of

Yeltsin. Let them be part of the solution. Let them come in with their

peacekeepers and divide this. Serbs will agree to this. The Orthodox

Catholic Church agrees with this. The 200,000 Serbian Americans agree

with this.

We can get Milosevic's troops out of there and restore some sanity

into Kosovo without killing a bunch more and having another Vietnam.

Mr. Speaker, there is a strange dichotomy at play in

this event. Those from the left attempt to use a vehicle they neither

support, understand or even loathe at times. They attempt to spin the

White House language that we attempt to stop ethnic cleansing, when the

issue has actually exacerbated the problem that the Pentagon predicted,

and warned and told the President not to get involved in.

The actual killing and removal of over 1 million refugees would not

have happened, not to the degree if NATO had not intervened.

The Jane Fondas, the Ramsey Clarks, the Strobe Talbotts of this world

find themselves inept in attempting to conduct military operations or

even foreign policy.

Take a look at NATO today: France, Socialist/Communist coalition;

Italy, former Communist.

It is not somebody that we trust.

Mr. Speaker, probably in 8 years this is the first

time I have agreed with the gentleman from Oregon, or second time.

If not, what? I am trying to do everything I can to keep us out of

war. Then what? First of all, the Pentagon said not to bomb.

Rambouillet, according to Kissinger and Larry Eagleburger, said it was

to fail. NATO and General Clark told me, face to face, that NATO only

wanted to bomb 1 day and quit. The President called Mr. Blair and the

German Chancellor and forced this. So what? Halt the bombing, get our

POWs back.

Seventy percent of the Russians support the overthrow of Yeltsin.

That is why they are so squirrelly on us. Let us use Russian, let us

Greek troops that are petrified about the Albanian expansion. Instead

of having Russia be the problem, let us make them part of the solution.

The President has got to look the President of Albania in the face and

say we want the Mujaheddin and Hamas out of the KLA and deported within

30 days. He has got to do the same thing with Izetbegovic.

Kosovo can be cantonized, but it has got to go off the table, that

resolve.

The gentleman from Oregon is right. There is not enough time to talk

about a very important issue.

Mr. Speaker, I would ask my colleagues to look. If

NATO and OSCE are unanimous, then why are Hungary and France still

shipping oil to Serbs? Why do we have Hungary and Poland and the Czechs

who say that if we go to war they will not support us, and we had to

fight for airspace.

Please look at other solutions to this problem besides ground troops

and bombing, and realize that there are many, many nationalists lined

up behind Milosevic to take his place. It is not just Milosevic. We

have caused the nationalism in many cases. But look at the Mujahedin

and Hamas who, in my opinion, will cause problems for the next 100

years unless the President looks at the Albanian President and

Izetbegovic and says, deport them within 30 days.

Have we looked into the children's eyes that are the refugees? They

do not have a clue as to why they are being uprooted from their homes.

And in my opinion, we have caused a lot of it. It is not just a single

focus. We have to reach out and look at all of the different factors

that are affecting Kosovo and Bosnia.