Thank you, Mr. Secretary. I look forward to your

testimony today.

Over the last several days we have heard a lot of debate about

our involvement in Libya. Everybody seems to be looking for false

clarity. And the fact of the matter is war is very ambiguous and

I would rather have cautious ambiguity than false clarity.

Having said that, we are involved in other conflicts in the region.

I think that Libya’s situation is very different from that, Egypt per

se, where I think that movement is very organic where this is very

different. We do not know what we are going to get in the end.

And I am reminded of the United States’ efforts to assist the

Mujahideen to break the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. And at

least components of the Mujahideen morphed into the Taliban.

This is a very, very complicated situation. We have to treat it as

such. We have to understand the complexities of the region and

complexities of the country and apply those to realistic policies

from which we can proceed.

So, I look forward to your testimony.