Mr. Speaker, I have read this bill. I may be one of the

few on the floor who has. But as a long-serving Member of this body, as

a private who finished World War II as a second lieutenant, I sat on

boards, courts martial, served as military prosecutor, and also as

defense. I find in the legislation no word of anybody other than

Members of the armed services. I find no mention of discussion of

members of the CIA, of members of the civilian leadership, of the

Defense Department or other government agencies. I find nothing about

civilian contractors.

My question to the chairman, are we going to go into that behavior,

or are we just going to sack a bunch of poor infantrymen up to the rank

of sergeant or something like that and say you are going to jail, when

in fact this was policy which originated much higher?

It sounds to me like they are going to stick it to the

ordinary uniformed military service under the rank of lieutenant, and

let everybody else off the hook. This is a bad proposal.