Madam Speaker, the tide is turning in Iraq. As The

Washington Post noted just last week, the number of attacks against

U.S. soldiers has fallen to levels not seen since before February of

2006, the bombing of a Shiia shrine in Samara that touched off waves of

sectarian killing.

The death toll of American troops in October fell to 39, the lowest

level since March of 2006. Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki announced

this last Sunday that Sunni-Shiia violence in Baghdad was down more

than 75 percent in the last year.

But sadly, today the House of Representatives will bring an Iraq

supplemental bridge fund that once again brings the same tired language

mandating withdrawal from Iraq.

It seems, Madam Speaker, the Democrats are adding denial to their

agenda of retreat and defeat in Iraq. Now is not the time to

micromanage a widening success in Iraq. Let's give the American

soldiers the resources they need to get the job done, see freedom win,

and come home safe.