I come to the floor here, Mr. Speaker, to stand up

for this Constitution, for our United States military, for our

Commander in Chief and for the future and the destiny of America,

because we need to take another level up along on our destiny.

But this Constitution gives this Congress only three things we can do

with regard to war. One of them is to declare war, which we have not

done since World War II, one of them is to raise an Army and a Navy,

and by implication, an Air Force, and the next one is to fund it. There

are no provisions in there for micromanaging the war, and that has been

clear, and it is

a historical precedent, and there is no precedent throughout the last

century, at least, that allows this Congress to assign 435 generals to

this task.

And so, Mr. Speaker, I would submit that this is an unconstitutional

appropriations bill. And if it should go to the President's desk, he

should veto it in its entirety and bring it back here. Force this

Congress to do the right thing that is constitutional and not be

micromanaging in this war.

This is not a General Pelosi war to fight. This is a Commander in

Chief, George W. Bush, fight.