Mr. Speaker, today the New York Times uncovered two

classified reports prepared for President Bush in the months leading up

to the war in Iraq. These documents warned the President that

Officials told the Times

that a second report warns of a possible insurgency, saying the rogue

elements from Saddam Hussein's government could work with existing

terrorist groups or act independently to wage guerrilla warfare.

Sounds exactly like the situation our U.S. troops face today in Iraq.

Unfortunately, President Bush and his administration did not listen to

these warnings. Vice President Cheney said we would be greeted with

flowers, and President Bush egged insurgents on by telling them to

Today's report is just another example of the President's failed

policies in Iraq. He had a flawed rationale for going to war. He did

not have a plan to win the peace. He failed to implement his

reconstruction plans for Iraq, leaving the country in chaos. And now we

learn that he ignored intelligence estimates that warned of problems

after the fall of Baghdad. The world cannot afford another 4 years of

this failed leadership.