Mr. Speaker, the so-called global war on

terrorism cannot be won by military might alone. It is a war of ideas

and philosophies. Terrorism is the tactic used by people who seem to

hate what the U.S. stands for more than they love life itself. But it

is hard to hate the concepts of justice, individual freedoms and human

rights.

The problem is that as long as our enemies can claim that we deny

justice and abuse human rights and individual freedoms, we lose ground

in this war of ideas. In fact, as long as we maintain the Guantanamo

Bay detention facility, we undermine our standing, our credibility,

throughout the world.

This is not what America stands for. America stands for the concept

of habeas corpus and human rights. Guantanamo Bay is unAmerican, and

that's why it needs to be closed.