Mr. Speaker, last month, Ayman

Zawahiri, al Qaeda's number two leader, said that the terrorist mission

was to ``expel the Americans from Iraq.'' Yesterday, this statement was

echoed when Democratic Congressman John Murtha called for U.S. troops

to be withdrawn from Iraq.

Instead of proposing winning solutions for the Global War on

Terrorism, some Democrats are throwing up their hands and waving the

white flag of surrender. As our brave men and women in uniform continue

to protect our country, Nancy Pelosi, John Murtha, and other Democrats

should have learned from last week's mass murders in Jordan that we

face a global enemy, following the bus bombings in London and New

Delhi.

As a 31-year veteran and the father of a son who served in Iraq, I

know our troops and brave Iraqi patriots are making tremendous progress

protecting American families. Americans recognize we will face the

terrorists on the streets of Iraq or we will face them again in

America.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget

September 11.