Mr. President, I believe I have a half hour to speak

in morning business. Prior to doing so, I wish to give a brief

rejoinder to my colleague from Arizona on some of the comments he just

made.

It is my understanding that the underlying Defense Authorization Act

has several provisions that are necessary to address shortcomings in

the legal process for individuals detained on the battlefield. One of

these provisions limits the use of coerced testimony obtained through

cruel, inhumane, or degrading treatment. Such testimony is immoral, and

this provision is necessary if we are to obtain and use accurate

information.

Another provision provides for reasonable counsel and the ability to

present relevant information to detainees who have been held for 2 or

more years. This is necessary in a war of undetermined duration.

Finally, the bill does not provide classified information to a

detainee. It provides for a summary that is intended to be unclassified

to the counsel for detainees.

One of the things that might help is if, on line 16, page 305,

subsection II, the word ``unclassified'' was added before the word

``summary'' on that line. I believe that is the intent.