

Congress of the United States  
Washington, DC 20515

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President Barack Obama  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We are writing to express our grave concern with the Statement of Administration Policy issued in regard to H.R. 1363—the Troop Funding Bill—indicating that you would veto the bill should it be presented to you for your signature. While we can disagree in good faith on the fiscal crisis that faces our country, the thought that the commander-in-chief would willingly cut off funding to troops in the field is unconscionable.

The men and women who have answered the call and put their lives in harm's way—and their families who take care of the homefront—deserve to be paid. Troops serving abroad in places like Afghanistan and Iraq have enough to be concerned about without worrying if their families will be able to buy groceries.

It's time for your administration—and the Senate majority—to stop using our troops as a chip at the bargaining table. We urge you to sign H.R. 1363 so that we can resume negotiations and move the country forward.

Sincerely,

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