



Leftist Interest Groups Are Pushing Allies in the 110th Congress toward Arbitrary Withdrawal from Iraq

The anti-war left, including groups like MoveOn.org, Code Pink and ANSWER played a major role in determining Democratic nominees and electing those candidates to office in the 2006 elections. Now, those groups are pushing their agenda for defeat in the US House and Senate, and there is talk about cutting funding to troops in combat and forcing 'redeployment' out of our besieged ally in the war on terror.

Redeployment and Defeat in Iraq Would Be a Disaster

➤ Withdrawal Would Provide Al-Qaeda With a Safe Haven

A total withdrawal from Iraq would play into the hands of the jihadist terrorists. Al Qaeda's most important short-term strategic goal is to seize control of a state, or part of a state, somewhere in the Muslim world. Such a jihadist state would be the ideal launching pad for future attacks on the West, and there is no riper spot than the Sunni-majority areas of central and western Iraq. –Peter Bergen, New America Foundation

➤ Withdrawal Would Establish Iran As a Regional Power

Following withdrawal, Iran will become not only *a* primary player in Iraq, but *the* primary one, possibly even annexing Shiite areas outright. Iran will end up the big victor, the regional hegemon, whose ambitions and nuclear program will become unstoppable. -Dr. Chuck Freilich, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University

➤ Withdrawal Would Cause a Humanitarian Catastrophe

A US withdrawal would create a vast humanitarian crisis that would dwarf those seen in Bosnia and Kosovo and rival the scenes of horror and privation witnessed in Cambodia, Congo, Rwanda, and Sudan. In addition, the breakup of the Iraqi Army would result in a bloody and protracted civil war such as the conflict in Bosnia following the breakup of Yugoslavia in the 1990s. - Dr. James Jay Carafano, Heritage Foundation

Students for Victory in Iraq Is Working to Achieve Success

➤ Support Members of the Military, Families and Those of Our Allies

The men and women who are putting their lives on the line for our country should have the support of their country while they are in harm's way. SVI is committed to providing our servicemen and women with the moral and material support they deserve through persistent campaigns for better funding for equipment and medical care,

demonstrations of thanks and care packages. We also are committed to providing support to military families and expressing our gratitude to our allies who have contributed to the mission in Iraq.

➤ **Educate the Public About the Importance of the Mission**

Those who oppose the war have been quite effective on college campuses and elsewhere in framing debate on the Iraq conflict to their advantage. SVI is committed to getting the truth out about the consequences of withdrawal and defeat in Iraq, and educating the public on the necessity of pushing on towards victory. By educating our fellow students and our communities we can maintain and expand support for the mission and achieve success.

➤ **Encourage Congress and the President to Support Victory in Iraq**

The decision to fund and win the war or remove funding and retreat will be made by Congress and the President. SVI is committed to supporting public officials who advocate victory, pressuring officials to pursue better ways to succeed in Iraq, and defeating officials who are immovably in favor of defeat and disgrace. Many moderate Democrats and Republicans were elected after promising not to withdraw troops or cut off funding. We can work with these members to push Congress towards exceptional and constitutional oversight of the Administration's actions and yet continue funding for the mission. By engaging in legislative activism we can work to build a bipartisan coalition which will allow our troops to come home victorious and safe.

Play a Part in the Defining Event of Our Generation

Our grandparents' generation came of age during the Great Depression and matured by winning World War II. Just as they faced a tremendous challenge, our generation faces the threat of radical Islamism and the challenges of wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. Many of us have joined our armed forces and others have decided to sacrifice in other ways, but the current crisis is our test.

By joining Students for Victory in Iraq, you will play a part in the defining event of our generation, the struggle at home to maintain American resolve in the struggle overseas. Thousands of students our age and younger are committing themselves to the defense of our country, and it is our duty to ensure that our country is backing them up when their lives are on the line for us. We will provide assistance in starting an SVI chapter at your school, and we will continually provide new ideas for educational events and demonstrations, ways to support the brave men and women who are sacrificing for our freedom, and a united front for pressuring our leaders to achieve victory.

If you are interested in joining SVI, please e-mail info@studentsforvictory.com, or visit students4victory.tripod.com. Together we can turn the tide and speak for the millions of Americans who support victory, and establish a safe America and a democratic Iraq.