

National Security Working Group
Weekly National Security Working Group Update
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The National Security Working Group (NSWG) is comprised of Trent Franks, 2nd, AZ; Connie Mack, 14th, FL; Duncan Hunter, 52nd, CA and Allen West, 22nd, FL. We look forward to providing RSC members updates on national security issues and matters using this forum. We welcome your inputs.

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- Muslim Brotherhood Declares War on U.S. (Rep Franks)

Last October, unbeknownst to most Americans, the Muslim Brotherhood declared war on the US and Israel. Dr. Barry Rubin, Director of the Global Research in International Affairs Center & editor of the Middle East Review of International Affairs Journal, reported that this declaration of war by the Muslim Brotherhood (MB) was made directly by Mohammed Badei, their supreme leader. In August 1996, al-Qaida made a similar declaration that was generally disregarded. Al-Qaida followed with the attacks on 9/11. This new warning should not be similarly dismissed.

Why is this so critically important? Later this year, Egypt will hold elections. The MB, through the formation of a cover organization, "The Freedom and Justice Party," plans to contest 45% to 50% of the seats in the September elections. Given the MB is "one of the only experienced, organized, and powerful political parties" in post revolutionary Egypt, it is plausible that the MB would stand to have a significant influence in Egyptian policies toward the United States and Israel following the September elections.

According to Dr. Rubin, the MB is a group "with one hundred times more activists than al-Qaida." Coupled with significant control inside Egyptian politics, the MB will have access to resources much greater than al-Qaida in executing its war on the US and Israel. Furthermore, Dr. Rubin states "The Brotherhood is the group that often dominates Muslim communities in the West and runs mosques. Its cadre control front groups that are often recognized by Western democratic governments and media as authoritative."

The recent US Government's case against the Holy Land Foundation for terror financing uncovered evidence that identified hundred's of these types of front groups. The trial resulted, among other things, in the naming of these groups as unindicted co-conspirators. Incidentally, some of these are well known, authoritative organizations including CAIR, ISNA, ICNA and the Muslim Students Association.

We must not fall into the trap of believing organizations that previously grew out of MB ideology are honestly friendly toward the US. The core of the MB deception is to get western leaders to believe these cover groups are there to assist in combating terrorism. It is vitally important to the US national security that the MB be prevented from growing terrorists in the US and around the world. Before we find ourselves working with "changed" MB organizations in the United States, we must not forget that the MB supreme leader's declaration of war on the US is only a few months old and has not yet been withdrawn.

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- Mexican Cartels Reaping Huge Profits in Stolen Oil (Rep Mack)

New reports expose an increase in U.S. oil companies falling prey to the very Mexican drug cartels that threaten our southern border. A Wall Street Journal report on June 18, 2011, details drug cartel activities that are increasingly funded by fuel these cartels illegally siphon from pipelines owned by Mexican state oil company Pemex and sell to other companies. According to the WSJ, cartels are on track to make an estimated \$750 million dollars from stolen fuel this year, and Pemex has sued seven Texas oil companies for reselling the stolen fuel. Two Texas oil company officials were already convicted last year. America has a serious problem when our oil supply is funding the same groups responsible for over 40,000 deaths since 2006. Building our oil supply from Venezuela's Hugo Chavez and Mexico's drug cartels is not only counterintuitive, it is downright dangerous. It is time for President Obama to increase our oil supply from Canada by approving the Presidential Permit for the Keystone XL pipeline and take a hard stance against the threats to our hemisphere.

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- Missile Defense (MD) Kick Off Caucus Meeting - 23 June 2011 (Rep Franks)

On 23 June 2011 at 2:00 pm (location is Rayburn 2212), the MD Caucus will hold its initial meeting. We are excited to welcome experts Mr. Dennis Mays, Missile Defense Agency Systems Engineer, and Vice Admiral (Ret.) J.D. Williams, one of the developers of the Aegis Ballistic Missile Defense system. Mr. Dennis Mays will discuss his role as MDA's Systems Engineer and provide insight into the design and development of the Ballistic Missile Defense System. Vice Admiral Williams will discuss the Phased Adaptive Approach (PAA) and also share his recommendation on how the U.S. can make the SM3 1A/1B an ICBM capable missile.

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