



The global threat of terrorism is at an all-time high. In a little over a year's time, deadly terrorist attacks occurred in **Orlando, San Bernardino, Paris, Nice, Brussels, Turkey, Iraq, India, Pakistan and Nigeria.** Thousands of innocent civilians have lost their lives.

These terrorists are unlike any enemy we have ever faced. They do not value their own lives or even the lives of their children and will stop at nothing to kill anyone who opposes their apocalyptic beliefs.

President Obama is so scared that he will alienate his liberal base that he has overseen the most restrictive and ineffective rules of engagement in the modern world. He refuses to define the enemy for whom and what they are – radical Islamist terrorists – and refuses to put forth an effective war strategy that will combat dangerous terrorists that are beheading and slaughtering innocent civilians.



To make matters worse, last week <u>President Obama transferred 15 Guantanamo Bay</u> (<u>GTMO</u>) detainees to the United Arab Emirates, the largest transfer of his administration.

Additionally, we now know that the <u>president lied about paying a \$400 million ransom</u> for the lives of 4 Americans being held hostage by Iran.

The Daily Signal reports, "The Obama administration's hostage deal is a dangerous precedent that puts more Americans at risk of being targeted by Iran and its terrorist surrogates to extract ransom payments in the future. This is part of the hazardous legacy that Obama will leave for the next president."

While the President has demonstrated he does not have the fortitude or leadership qualities necessary to accomplish the mission, there is too much at stake for our country to go gentle into the night. While he is busy parsing words, ISIS is taking advantage of American weakness and attempting new ways to cross our borders and invade the homeland.



The first thing any country must do when they are at war also happens to be the most important job of the United States federal government; **protect the homeland and defend its people.**

Despite the president's reluctance to take action to secure our borders, I am working with my colleagues in the House of Representatives to advance common sense solutions that keep the American people safe...

GOSAR ACTIONS TO SECURE THE HOMELAND AND KEEP AMERICA SAFE FROM TERRORISM:

<u>June 2014:</u> Passed an amendment to the Defense Appropriations Act that prohibited more than \$440 million in aid from going to the governments of Iran and Syria, in addition to the Palestinian Authority/Hamas coalition, the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS), and all other foreign terrorist organizations.

<u>March 2016:</u> <u>Introduced H.R. 4856</u>, which prevents gang members and violent criminal aliens from receiving amnesty.

June 2016: Passed an amendment by a bipartisan vote of 236-182 to block funds for "Sanctuary City" policies.



July 2016: I joined several of my colleagues in introducing H.R. 5816, the Resettlement Accountability National Security Prioritization Act. This legislation puts an immediate moratorium on refugees from Syria, Libya, Yemen, Somalia, Afghanistan and Iraq until Congress approves a new screening mechanism put forth by the administration.

During the 113th Congress, I <u>introduced H.R. 1922, the</u> *Foreign Assistance Under Limitation and Transparency* (FAULT) *Act.* This legislation sought to prohibit foreign assistance to Iran, North Korea, Syria, Egypt, and Pakistan. American taxpayers should not be footing the bill to send foreign aid to countries that undermine our national interests and threaten the safety of important allies like Israel.

Additional Votes:

- Voted for H.R. 4038, the American Security Against Foreign Enemies Act
- Voted for H.R. 4314, Counterterrorism Screening and Assistance Act
- Voted for H.R. 4820, Combating Terrorist Recruitment Act
- Voted for H.R. 5631, the Iran Accountability Act
- Voted for H.R. 158, the Visa Waiver Program Improvement and Terrorist Travel Prevention Act
- Cosponsor of H.R. 300, the Smart Border Act
- Cosponsor of H.R. 4034, the Secure Fence Restoration Act
- Cosponsor of H.R. 3314, the Refugee Resettlement National Security Act
- Cosponsor of H.R. 4078, the Give States a Chance Act
- Cosponsor of H.R. 4032, the State's Right of Refugee Refusal Act

Ultimately, Congress must authorize a decisive and robust Authorize Use of Military Force (AUMF). If the President won't lead, Congress should. That is why **17 brave colleagues and I have called on Republican leadership to pass a new AUMF in order to destroy ISIS.** Read more about the actions I am taking to keep America safe <u>HERE</u>.

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