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**Support the International Affairs Budget**

Dear Senator,

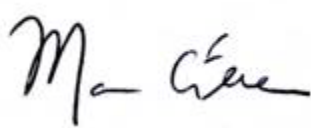
We are writing to support the funding levels for Function 150 (International Affairs) included in the Senate budget resolution now being considered on the Senate floor. We are also asking you to oppose amendments on the floor that would reduce international affairs funding.

The United States faces extraordinary challenges in today's world that threaten our national interests and well-being. To preserve America's safety, security and prosperity, the United States must use all available tools to engage successfully across the globe.

The international affairs budget is one essential element of America's national security strategy. The one percent of the federal budget we spend in this critical area enables us to support key allies like Israel and help prevent unstable areas from becoming breeding grounds for terror.

Because of this, we ask you to oppose amendments that would reduce funding in the international affairs budget.

Sincerely,



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