Senator-Elect

HARRIET HAGEMAN

Republican from Wyoming



Background on the Senator-elect's statements, positions, and record on diplomacy, international assistance, and U.S. international affairs programs.

A fourth-generation Wyomingite and two-term member of the U.S. House of Representatives, Senator-Elect Harriet Hageman has argued that America's strength is central to global security, saying "**a weak America makes for a very dangerous world, a strong America makes for a safer world**," adding, "**I am not a globalist, but I'm also not an isolationist**."

Congresswoman Hageman joins the U.S. Senate after representing Wyoming's at-large congressional district for four years. In the House, she serves on the Judiciary and Natural Resources Committees and as a member of the Natural Resource Committee's bipartisan Indo-Pacific Task Force. She has traveled overseas on Congressional Delegations to Israel, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Palau, Micronesia, and the Marshall Islands. Before being elected to Congress, Hageman worked as a trial and natural resource attorney for over 30 years and graduated from the University of Wyoming College of Law and the University of Wyoming.

ON DIPLOMACY AND U.S. NATIONAL SECURITY:

- In a March 2023 statement, Hageman supported withdrawing U.S. troops from Syria, saying that the country had been there for nearly nine years with "no Congressional authorization, no plan for withdrawal, and no vision for what winning looks like."
- In a March 2026 interview, Hageman said she opposed a proposed war-powers effort to constrain the Iran operation, saying, "we have to trust our commander-in-chief for this particular operation."

ON U.S. INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE:

- Voting in favor of the House FY27 National Security and State Department bill, she stated that it includes "cuts to wasteful foreign aid that does not serve U.S. interests."
- On supplemental funding packages for Ukraine, Israel, and the Indo-Pacific in 2024, she voted in favor of funding for Israel but against packages for Ukraine and the Indo-Pacific. On the Ukraine supplemental funding package, she cited concerns about the cost of the assistance, Ukraine's strategy for ending the war, and what she described as "minimal accounting and oversight" of previously provided funding.
- In a February 2025 interview, she called for a pause in USAID funding "until we can get a better understanding of what kind of programs they have been supporting out there… and whether there should be an entirely different approach."
- In a March 2025 interview, she said she had voted to abolish USAID, calling it "essentially a money laundering organization for really bad ideas around the world, including overthrowing governments."
- In a March 2025 town hall, she said that "about 17%" of international assistance was "good," adding that those programs had been moved to the State Department.

- At a House Natural Resources Committee hearing in October 2023 House, she supported renewed Compacts of Free Association with Palau, Micronesia and the Marshall Islands, saying that U.S. economic assistance helps keep those countries "economically resilient" and able to "push back against PRC influence for the next 20 years."
- In an August 2024 interview, Hageman supported expanding energy access on the African continent, despite her perception that development advocates opposed this approach, saying , "I want to help them to build the infrastructure that they need so that they can have reliable energy for their schools and their hospitals and their industries."

ON THE GLOBAL COMPETITION WITH CHINA:

- As Chair of the Indian and Insular Affairs Subcommittee, Hageman led congressional oversight of China's efforts to expand its political and economic influence in the Pacific, highlighting that "America is renewed in our determination to restore a stable international order in the region that respects the integrity of democratic self-government for all island peoples."
- Hageman added that China is "aggressively threatening political stability" in the Indo-Pacific to "challenge U.S. influence, interests, and values in the region," and emphasized that the "U.S. will not stand idly by in the face of PRC political provocation."

ON RUSSIA'S WAR IN UKRAINE:

- In an August 2025 interview discussing the U.S.-Russia Summit, she said, "Russia was the aggressor. Russia did the wrong thing. It never should have happened," while also arguing that talks about Ukraine joining NATO contributed to the invasion.
- In a June 2023 interview, she urged negotiations to halt the fighting, saying, "We've got to find a way to stop the horror that we're seeing in the Ukraine."

ON ALLIANCES:

- Hageman has called Israel "our most important ally" and supported providing the country with supplemental funding in 2024, arguing that "Israel is a strong ally and a key partner in fighting against terrorism in the Middle East. Their presence in the region makes the United States safer by exposing threats that could ultimately lead to terror attacks in our country."
- With the Indo-Pacific at the center of her foreign policy priorities, she has emphasized that Pacific partners play an "outsized role in detecting and deterring Chinese escalatory action and gray zone tactics."