

House Armed Services Committee

Ike Skelton, Chairman

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SKELTON REPORTS ON ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE HOUSE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE

Washington, D.C. – House Armed Services Committee Chairman Ike Skelton (D-MO) released a report today on the committee’s activities and accomplishments during the 110th Congress.

“Over the last seven months, the House Armed Services Committee has been performing robust oversight of the Pentagon and of the Administration’s military policies. From the start of the 110th Congress in January 2007, the House Armed Services Committee has set an aggressive hearing and legislative schedule in order to develop defense policies that keep America safe and meet our national security requirements, while also demonstrating support for our men and women in uniform,” said Skelton.

“So far this year, the House Armed Services Committee has held 83 hearings. The committee has passed 7 major pieces of legislation through the U.S. House of Representatives, including the Fiscal Year 2008 National Defense Authorization Act, which received broad bipartisan support in committee and on the House floor,” said Skelton.

“After an absence of 12 years, we re-established the Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee, which recently completed its first in-depth bipartisan investigation on the Iraqi Security Forces. Ranking Member Hunter and I also recently appointed the Roles and Missions Panel, a special committee panel to examine and make recommendations concerning the roles and missions of the military services,” said Skelton.

“Last December, I outlined six strategic priorities for committee oversight: Iraq, Afghanistan, the War on Terrorism, Fixing U.S. Forces, Nuclear Non-Proliferation, and the Future of the Department of Defense. We have committed significant attention to these strategic priorities and I am proud of our accomplishments thus far. I look forward to continuing our efforts to promote a strong national defense during the remainder of the 110th Congress,” said Skelton.

A copy of the report on the 110th Congress Accomplishments of the House Armed Services Committee is available online: <http://armedservices.house.gov/>.

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