

production of a record album. Mr. and Mrs. Pallotta also sang together in the Cleveland Orchestra Chorus. At family reunions, Mrs. Pallotta thrilled family and friends with her incredible mezzo soprano voice, singing religious, classical and operatic selections along with Broadway show tunes, most often accompanied by Rico on accordion or piano. After singing the National Anthem at a July 4th reunion in New York, her cousin, Larry Dolan, owner of the Cleveland Indians, asked if she would sing at Jacobs Field. She accepted, and with power and perfection, on June 7, 2002 at the age of 79, Mrs. Pallotta sang a powerful and moving rendition of the National Anthem, as tens of thousands of baseball fans listened with pride.

Madam Speaker and Colleagues, please join me in honor and recognition of Marjorie Helen Knoll Pallotta, whose joyous and spirited life reflects unwavering dedication to family, friends and community—framed in love, music and song. I offer my heartfelt condolences to her children, Ward, Richard, Ann, Joy and Tom; to her grandchildren, and to her extended family members and many friends. Mrs. Pallotta's beautiful life brought joy to her family, friends and people in the community, and her love of life, and love she showed to others, will forever be remembered.

EARMARK DECLARATION

HON. DAVID G. REICHERT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 21, 2009

Mr. REICHERT. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183, the Fiscal Year 2010 Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act.

(1) \$2,600,000 for the King County, WA for Duwamish and Green River Basin
 Requesting Entity: King County, 516 Third Ave, Rm 1200, Seattle, WA 98104
 Agency: Corps of Engineers
 Account: Construction
 Funding requested by: Reps. DAVE REICHERT, NORM DICKS, JIM MCDERMOTT, ADAM SMITH

This project supports the restoration of the Duwamish Green watershed by implementing a range of habitat restoration projects for the recovery of ESA listed Chinook in a high priority watershed. The projects are coordinated to the extent possible with flood protection along the lower parts of the river where regional industrial and manufacturing centers are located. The watershed is the second most populous watershed in Puget Sound and encompasses 15 cities, including part of the city of Seattle, the water supply for the City of Tacoma, forest and agricultural production districts, as well as multiple natural resources and public parks and open space.

Finance Plan:

| Project name | Phase | Federal share |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|---------------|
| Mill Creek | Design | \$250,000 |
| Riverview Park | Construction | 3,000,000 |
| Upper Springbrook Creek | Construction | 1,000,000 |
| Levee Bank Maintenance | Construction | 2,250,000 |
| Total | | 6,500,000 |

(2) \$400,000 for Mud Mountain Dam.
 Requesting Entity: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (CECS-C), Government Accountability Office Building, 441 G Street, NW, Attn: CECS-C, Washington, DC 20314
 Agency: Corps of Engineers
 Account: Construction
 Funding requested by: Reps. DAVE REICHERT, JIM MCDERMOTT, NORM DICKS, ADAM SMITH

A U.S. Army Corps of Engineers flood control dam on the White River, controlling floods in the lower White and Puyallup River valleys. The new dam will replace the 100-year old structure and enable the Corps to meet ongoing fish passage needs for Mud Mountain dam. Replacement of the current structure is necessary to ensure the Corps of Engineers' ability to meet existing and future fish passage responsibilities for its Mud Mountain Dam on the White River.

Finance Plan:

Since this is an Administration request, specifics on the funds and how they will be used will be available from the USACE Seattle District office, once they have arrived at a funding level for FY 2010.

(3) \$3,056,000 for Mud Mountain Dam.

Requesting Entity: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (CECS-C), Government Accountability Office Building, 441 G Street, NW, Attn: CECS-C, Washington, DC 20314
 Agency: Corps of Engineers
 Account: Operations and Maintenance
 Funding requested by: Reps. DAVE REICHERT, ADAM SMITH

A U.S. Army Corps of Engineers flood control dam on the White River, controlling floods in the lower White and Puyallup River valleys. The new dam will replace the 100-year old structure and enable the Corps to meet ongoing fish passage needs for Mud Mountain Dam. The Corps of Engineers relies upon the White River diversion dam and trap and haul facilities to enable it to meet its fish passage needs for its Mud Mountain Dam on the White River.

Finance Plan:

Since this is an Administration request, specifics on the funds and how they will be used will be available from the USACE Seattle District office, once they have arrived at a funding level for FY 2010.

(4) \$500,000 for the City of Issaquah, WA for the Issaquah Highlands Zero Energy Affordable Housing.

Requesting Entity: King County, 516 Third Ave, Room 1200, Seattle, WA 98104
 Agency: Department of Energy
 Account: EERE
 Funding requested by: Rep. DAVE REICHERT

FY10 PROJECT REQUEST DOE EERE ASEMBLON, INC.

To build a cutting edge, attached residential green building demonstration project which will be one of the most innovative green housing projects in the Pacific Northwest. The project involves the design, construction, and sale of 10 attached residential homes, built to an extremely green standard. Funding would be used to expand the zero emission project to include an adjacent 150-unit affordable housing project planned by a partnership of the YWCA of Seattle, King County, Snohomish County, and the City of Issaquah.

Finance Plan:

ISSAQUAH HIGHLANDS PROJECT FINANCE PLAN

Total Project Cost: \$55.4 million
 Public Sources: \$16.6 million which includes City in-kind value of land and waived fees of \$7.1 million)
 Private (individual, corporate, foundation) donations: \$12 million
 YWCA Loan and Contributions: \$1.8
 Debt via tax-exempt bonds: \$7.8
 Low Income Housing Tax Credit Equity: \$17.2

Given the anticipated schedule, our contractor assumes the construction alone would take 457,000 man hours, which equals 114 FTE for the duration of the project (about 2 yrs). However, since most people would only be on the job for their scope of work, maybe 6 months average duration, it really would employ more like 450+ people. This number does not take into account the support-related positions such as accountants, bookkeepers, attorneys, architects, suppliers, concrete truck drivers, city inspectors, etc. (5) \$500,000 for the City of Redmond for research and development of liquid carriers for hydrogen energy.

Requesting Entity: Asemblon, Inc., 15340 NE 92nd Street, Suite B, Redmond, WA 98052

Agency: Department of Energy
 Account: EERE

Funding requested by: Rep. Dave Reichert

For molecular carrier technology that allows hydrogen to be transported, stored and dispensed in liquid form at ambient temperature and pressure. This will allow the use of the currently available gasoline infrastructure to dispense hydrogen which will then be released on demand for automotive combustion. Existing internal combustion engines can be economically retrofitted for this purpose. With the requested funding we will fully demonstrate all aspects of this process. The ability to incorporate hydrogen into our National Energy schema has been impeded by the cost to store and transport it in refrigerated and pressurized form. We have overcome this obstacle. Their analysis shows that they can install hydrogen stations at ~1/10 the cost of conventional hydrogen systems thereby accelerating hydrogen adoption, more rapidly reducing our dependence on foreign oil, and reducing CO₂ emissions on a 1:1 basis hydrocarbon combustion is reduced.

Finance Plan:

| HYDRNOL™ fueling station | Qty | Price | Extension | Total | Purchased equip. |
|---|-----|--------|-----------|-------|------------------|
| 20-Foot Shipping Container | 1 | 10,000 | 10,000 | | |
| Design and Development Charges | 1 | 8,500 | 17,000 | | 17,000 |
| Fabrication to Specification | 2 | 3,500 | 7,000 | | |
| Painting and Graphics | 2 | 1,200 | 2,400 | | |
| Shipment | 2 | 6,500 | 13,000 | | |
| Site Preparation | 2 | 4,500 | 9,000 | | |
| Regulatory, Inspection, Fire Marshall | 2 | | | | |

FY10 PROJECT REQUEST DOE EERE ASEMBLON, INC.—Continued

| HYDRNOL™ fueling station | Qty | Price | Extension | Total | Purchased equip. |
|--|-----|--------|-----------|---------|------------------|
| Fuel Bladders | | | | 58,400 | 17,000 |
| Design and Development | 1 | 12,500 | 12,500 | | |
| RFQ Prototypes | 4 | 6,500 | 26,000 | | |
| Testing to Destruction for Pressure | 4 | 3,000 | 12,000 | | |
| Redesign | 1 | 5,000 | 5,000 | | |
| Production Bladders | 8 | 5,500 | 44,000 | | |
| Installation and Testing | 2 | 4,000 | 8,000 | | |
| Lifetime Cycle Testing (600 fill cycles) | 2 | 12,500 | 25,000 | | |
| | | | | 132,500 | 0 |
| Fueling Pumps | | | | | |
| Design and Development | 1 | 12,500 | 12,500 | | |
| Prototypes | 4 | 15,000 | 60,000 | | 60,000 |
| Testing | 2 | 7,500 | 15,000 | | |
| Redesign | 1 | 5,000 | 5,000 | | |
| Production Modifications | 6 | 3,500 | 21,000 | | |
| Testing | 1 | 8,000 | 8,000 | | |
| Human Factors | 1 | 7,500 | 7,500 | | |
| Regulatory, Inspection, Fire Marshall | 1 | 6,000 | 6,000 | | |
| Lifetime Cycle Testing (40,000 fills) | 2 | 15,000 | 30,000 | | |
| | | | | 165,000 | 60,000 |
| Battery Back-up Power System and Conditioner | | | | | |
| Design and Development | 1 | 7,500 | 7,500 | | |
| RFQ Purchased Parts (batteries, inverter) | 2 | 37,800 | 75,600 | | 75,600 |
| Installation | 2 | 6,500 | 13,000 | | |
| Testing | 2 | 5,000 | 10,000 | | |
| Production Modifications | 2 | 3,500 | 7,000 | | |
| Certification | 1 | 8,000 | 8,000 | | |
| Regulatory, Inspection, Fire Marshall | 1 | 7,500 | 7,500 | | |
| | | | | 128,600 | 75,600 |
| Renewable Energy Power System | | | | | |
| Design and Development | 1 | 5,500 | 5,500 | | |
| RFQ Purchased Parts (. . .) | 2 | 32,500 | 65,000 | | 65,000 |
| Installation | 2 | 7,500 | 15,000 | | |
| Testing | 2 | 4,500 | 9,000 | | |
| Production Modifications | 2 | 3,500 | 7,000 | | |
| Certification | 1 | 10,000 | 10,000 | | |
| Regulatory, Inspection, Fire Marshall | 1 | 5,500 | 5,500 | | |
| | | | | 117,000 | 65,000 |
| Self-Contained Security System | | | | | |
| Design and Development | 1 | 7,500 | 7,500 | | |
| RFQ Purchased Parts (. . .) | 2 | 20,000 | 40,000 | | 40,000 |
| Installation | 2 | 5,000 | 10,000 | | |
| Testing | 2 | 4,500 | 9,000 | | |
| Production Modifications | 2 | 3,500 | 7,000 | | |
| Certification | 1 | 5,000 | 5,000 | | |
| Regulatory, Inspection, Fire Marshall | 1 | 6,500 | 6,500 | | |
| | | | | 85,000 | 40,000 |
| Roll-back Truck for Statewide Demonstrations | | | | | |
| Design and Development | 1 | 7,500 | 7,500 | | |
| RFQ Purchased Parts (. . .) | 1 | 46,000 | 46,000 | | 46,000 |
| Testing | 2 | 4,500 | 9,000 | | |
| Production Modifications | 2 | 3,500 | 7,000 | | |
| | | | | 69,500 | 46,000 |
| Sub-total Hydrogen Fueling Station | | | | 756,000 | 303,600 |

| HYDRNOL™ Conversion and Compression | Qty | Price | Extension | Total | Purchased equip. |
|---|-----|---------|-----------|---------|------------------|
| 20-Foot Shipping Container | | | | | |
| Design and Development Charges | 1 | 15,000 | 15,000 | | |
| Fabrication to Specification | 1 | 8,500 | 8,500 | | |
| Painting and Graphics | 1 | 3,500 | 3,500 | | |
| Shipment | 1 | 1,200 | 1,200 | | |
| ND Site Preparation | 1 | 85,000 | 85,000 | | |
| Regulatory, Inspection, Fire Marshall | 1 | 10,000 | 10,000 | | |
| | | | | 123,200 | 0 |
| Triple-stage Compressors | | | | | |
| Design and Development | 1 | 12,500 | 12,500 | | |
| QTE Triple-stage Compressor to 12,000 ps | 1 | 185,000 | 185,000 | | 185,000 |
| Plumbing, Valves, Controls | 1 | 90,000 | 90,000 | | 90,000 |
| Testing | 1 | 12,500 | 12,500 | | |
| Certification | 1 | 10,000 | 10,000 | | |
| Regulatory, Inspection, Fire Marshall | 1 | 10,000 | 10,000 | | |
| | | | | 320,000 | 275,000 |
| Hydrogen Storage Tanks (12,000 psig) | | | | | |
| Design and Development | 1 | 9,500 | 9,500 | | |
| Prototypes | 2 | 30,000 | 60,000 | | 60,000 |
| Testing | 1 | 7,500 | 7,500 | | |
| Regulatory, Inspection, Fire Marshall | 1 | 10,000 | 10,000 | | |
| | | | | 87,000 | 60,000 |
| Hydrogen Dispensers (5,000 + 10,000 psig) | | | | | |
| Design and Development | 1 | 7,500 | 7,500 | | |
| Purchased Parts | 1 | 90,000 | 90,000 | | 90,000 |
| Installation | 1 | 6,500 | 6,500 | | |
| Testing | 1 | 5,000 | 5,000 | | |
| Production Modifications | 1 | 3,500 | 3,500 | | |
| Certification | 1 | 8,000 | 8,000 | | |
| Regulatory, Inspection, Fire Marshall | 1 | 7,500 | 7,500 | | |
| | | | | 128,000 | 90,000 |
| Self-Contained Security System | | | | | |
| Design and Development | 1 | 6,000 | 6,000 | | |
| RFQ Purchased Parts (. . .) | 1 | 20,000 | 20,000 | | 20,000 |
| Installation | 1 | 6,000 | 6,000 | | |
| Testing | 1 | 4,500 | 4,500 | | |
| Production Modifications | 1 | 3,500 | 3,500 | | |
| Certification | 1 | 5,000 | 5,000 | | |
| Regulatory, Inspection, Fire Marshall | 1 | 4,500 | 4,500 | | |

| HYDRNOL™ Conversion and Compression | Qty | Price | Extension | Total | Purchased equip. |
|---|-----|--------|-----------|---------|------------------|
| Roll-back Truck for Statewide Demonstrations | | | | 49,500 | 20,000 |
| Design and Development | 1 | 3,000 | 3,000 | | |
| RFQ Purchased Parts (. .) | 1 | 46,000 | 46,000 | | 46,000 |
| Testing | 1 | 4,500 | 4,500 | | |
| Production Modifications | 1 | 3,500 | 3,500 | | |
| | | | | 57,000 | 46,000 |
| Sub-total HYDRNOL Conversion and Compression Unit | | | | 764,700 | 491,000 |

| HYDRNOL Fuel Delivery and Vehicle Mods | Qty | Price | Extension | Total | Purchased equip. |
|--|-----|--------|-----------|---------|------------------|
| Fuel Delivery Truck | | | | | |
| RFQ Truck Works Incorporated Custom | 1 | 80,000 | 80,000 | | 80,000 |
| Pillow Tanks | 3 | 8,500 | 25,500 | | |
| Testing | 1 | 5,000 | 5,000 | | |
| Modification | 1 | 4,500 | 4,500 | | |
| | | | | 115,000 | 80,000 |
| HYDRNOL Retrofit Kit for Cars and Light Trucks | | | | | |
| Design | 1 | 50,000 | 50,000 | | |
| Prototypes | 4 | 15,000 | 60,000 | | 60,000 |
| Modification | 1 | 5,000 | 5,000 | | |
| Testing | 1 | 5,000 | 5,000 | | |
| Pre-production | 4 | 10,000 | 40,000 | | |
| Testing | 1 | 5,000 | 5,000 | | |
| Modification | 1 | 7,500 | 7,500 | | |
| E Production | 10 | 7,500 | 75,000 | | 75,000 |
| | | | | 247,500 | 135,000 |
| Belleuve School Bus Modifications | | | | | |
| Design and Fabrication of Storage Tank | 1 | 5,500 | 5,500 | | |
| Installation of HYDRNOL Retrofit Kit | 1 | 4,000 | 4,000 | | |
| Engine/Air Cleaner Modifications | 8 | 4,000 | 32,000 | | |
| Computer Ignition Timing Modification | 1 | 5,000 | 5,000 | | |
| Testing | 1 | 5,000 | 5,000 | | |
| | | | | 51,500 | 0 |
| North Dakota Chevrolet Silverado Truck | | | | | |
| ND Delivery of Silverado from North Dakota | 1 | 2,500 | 2,500 | | |
| Design and Fabrication of Storage Tank | 1 | 8,500 | 8,500 | | |
| Installation of HYDRNOL Retrofit Kit | 1 | 4,000 | 4,000 | | |
| Injector Modifications | 8 | 4,000 | 32,000 | | |
| Computer Ignition Timing Modification | 1 | 5,000 | 5,000 | | |
| Testing | 1 | 5,000 | 5,000 | | |
| | | | | 57,000 | 0 |
| 1988 Corvette Modifications | | | | | |
| Design and Fabrication of Storage Tank | 1 | 5,500 | 5,500 | | |
| Installation of HYDRNOL Retrofit Kit | 1 | 4,000 | 4,000 | | |
| Injector Modifications | 8 | 4,000 | 32,000 | | |
| Computer Ignition Timing Modification | 1 | 5,000 | 5,000 | | |
| Testing | 1 | 5,000 | 5,000 | | |
| | | | | 51,500 | 0 |
| Sub-total HYDRNOL Fuel Delivery and Vehicle Mods | | | | 522,500 | 215,000 |

| FY10 Project request summary DOE EERE Asemblon, Inc. | Total | Purchased equip. |
|--|---------|------------------|
| HYDRNOL Fueling Station | 756,000 | 303,600 |
| HYDRNOL Conversion and Compression Unit .. | 764,700 | 491,000 |
| HYDRNOL Fuel Delivery and Vehicle Mods | 522,500 | 215,000 |
| Total | ##### | ##### |
| Overhead—30.0% | 612,960 | |
| Travel + Living | 24,000 | |
| Grand Total | ##### | |
| "In-kind" Contributions | | |
| Design + Development | 40,000 | |
| Overhead Expenses | 612,960 | |
| Travel + Living | 24,000 | |
| Total "In-kind" | 676,960 | |

FY10 Project request summary DOE EERE Asemblon, Inc.

Net Grant Request ##### 25.3%

(6) \$1,000,000 for the University of Washington for biofuels industry development.

Requesting Entity: University of Washington, Seattle, WA 98195

Agency: Department of Energy

Account: EERE

Funding requested by: Reps. DAVE REICHERT, JIM McDERMOTT, ADAM SMITH

Research and development to convert Washington mixed biomass sources into transportation fuels. The center is lacking critical equipment and lab facilities to do the comprehensive research that is necessary to design a commercial scale facility. Acquisition of the required equipment would provide for the establishment of a world class research laboratory and a comprehensive services laboratory that Washington state commercial operations will need to optimize and refine their processes.

Finance Plan:

| Item priority | Cost | |
|---|-------------|----------|
| Laboratory renovations and modernization | \$1,500,000 | ½A & ½B" |
| Processing equipment | | |
| High-Throughput Catalyst Test Reactor | 150,000 | B |
| Catalytic Flow reactors (2) | 80,000 | B |
| Recirculation high temperature & high pressure | 50,000 | C |
| High pressure fuel injection system for fuel analysis | 80,000 | B |
| High pressure steam reactor with decompression capability and boiler | 500,000 | A |
| 2L and 40L Fermenters | 300,000 | ½B & ½C |
| Large scale autoclave | 80,000 | C |
| Large scale high speed centrifuge | 40,000 | C |
| Glove box and other miscellaneous supplies | 75,000 | C |
| Analytical Equipment | | |
| Variable Temperature Atomic Microscope (STM-AFM) | 250,000 | B |
| Infrared spectrometer (including DRIFTS capabilities & IR microscope) | 250,000 | C |
| GC-Mass spectrometer | 200,000 | C |
| HPLC configured for catalysis research | 75,000 | B |
| On line mass spectrometer | 50,000 | C |
| GC and Micro GC for fast analysis | 100,000 | B |
| Liquid Chromatography Mass Spectroscopy LCMS | 180,000 | A |
| X-ray Diffractometry | 190,000 | C |
| Elemental Analyzer | 80,000 | C |
| Confocal microscope | 300,000 | B |
| Fast protein liquid chromatograph | 125,000 | C |
| Total | 4,655,000 | |

This office conducted site visits to meet with representatives from all of the projects listed above.

35TH YEAR OF INVASION AND
OCCUPATION OF CYPRUS

HON. JOHN P. SARBANES

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 21, 2009

Mr. SARBANES. Madam Speaker, today I rise, like so many have done before me for 35 years now, and lament the unjust division of the Republic of Cyprus.

For more than 60 years, the United States has extended the hand of friendship to Turkey, offering her material support, offering her military protection and most importantly, engaging our Turkish friend and ally with the respect, admiration, and dignity that emanate from our great Nation's democratic values.

Just a few months ago, President Obama paid a historic visit to Turkey where he called upon the European Union to embrace Turkey's application to join that body of peace loving, democratic nations, and as well, he called for a just and lasting settlement that reunifies Cyprus as a bi-zonal, bi-communal federation.

Last year, upon this remembrance, I commended the noble efforts exerted by the Greek Cypriot and Turkish Cypriot communities to reunify their island republic. Today, 1 year later, I again praise President Dimitrios Christofias and Turkish Cypriot Leader Mehmet Ali Talat for their commitment to peace and unity.

So why then, with Cypriot leadership committed to reunification, Turkey's NATO membership since 1952, United Nations' diplomatic initiatives and the appointment of numerous special American, British and E.U. envoys, does Cyprus remain divided and occupied for 35 years?

For three and a half decades, the international community has unequivocally called for the removal of the 45,000 Turkish troops garrisoned in the occupied north, so that the people of Cyprus may be relieved of the humanitarian hardship and injustice brought on by Turkey's hostile occupation.

In 1975, this Chamber imposed sanctions upon Turkey and refused to allow sales or aid of American military equipment to Turkey, because of its unlawful invasion and occupation of Cyprus. That embargo was lifted by the exigencies of the Cold War, because the Turkish military retaliated against the United States by denying use of strategic military assets located in Turkey.

From the outset of the Turkish invasion of Cyprus to this day, the United Nations has repeatedly called for the removal of Turkish occupation forces and for the respect of the sovereignty, independence and territorial integrity of Cyprus.

Following high level U.N. brokered talks in 1979, Turkey agreed as a confidence building measure to withdraw and handover the uninhabited city of Famagusta to its rightful inhabitants. In this regard, U.N. Security Council Resolution 550/1984 calls for the transfer of the occupied, but uninhabited, city of Famagusta to the United Nations for the orderly resettlement of the city by its rightful inhabitants. To this day, Turkey has reneged on its pledge to comply with the agreements achieved during the high level talks and has completely disregarded the U.N. resolutions on Famagusta.

As recently as May 2009, the U.N. Secretary General placed the blame for the failure to return Famagusta to its rightful inhabitants squarely upon the Government of Turkey. This Chamber has also enacted section 620C(a)(5) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2373 (a)(5)) in support of the United Nations Secretary General's efforts to resettle the occupied, but uninhabited, city of Famagusta by its rightful inhabitants. Turkey, our NATO ally and beneficiary of significant American support, has ignored America's calls for compliance with the return of Famagusta, just as it has ignored the U.N.'s.

Today, Senator CARDIN and Congressman HASTINGS of the Helsinki Commission held a briefing on the destruction of the history, heritage and culture in the occupied north of Cyprus. As that briefing pointed out, despite clear international commitments on the importance of preserving religious and cultural heritage, hundreds of churches, chapels and monasteries in the northern part of Cyprus remain in peril. Thousands of icons, manuscripts, frescos, and mosaics have been looted from sites in northern Cyprus—many ending up on international auction blocks. The United States, the E.U. and the United Nations have all called on Turkey to honor its international obligations and cease and desist from this further hostility to the people of Cyprus. This begs the question, how can Turkey seek to join the European Union, all the while it is destroying the very existence of European history and culture in the north of Cyprus.

The European Union has also called on Turkey to honor its agreement to open its ports and airspace to Republic of Cyprus flagged vessels. Rather than comply with its commitments, Turkey demands that the E.U. engage in international economic activity with the unlawfully occupied north of the island republic. It is incredible that Turkey would refuse to open its ports and airspace and extend legal recognition to a member state of the European Union all the while it seeks to become a full fledged member of that Union.

The United States rightly places great importance in strategically mooring Turkey to the E.U. and America, but I am greatly concerned that Turkey does not share our vision or commitment to the liberal democratic processes that works to ensure global peace and stability. There are no greater advocates for Tur-

key's acceptance into the European Union, than Greece, Cyprus and the United States. Despite the fact that Turkey has bullied and beaten the small island Republic of Cyprus, Cyprus has shown great humanity by demanding of its fellow E.U. members that Turkey should be afforded the right to join the E.U.

The Republic of Cyprus has gone the extra mile to keep its Turkish speaking citizens engaged in its democratic and economic successes, it has gone the extra mile to engage Turkey and normalize relations, and it has gone the extra mile by becoming an advocate of Turkey's entry into the E.U. Unfortunately, Turkey has not responded in kind. To this very day, Turkey violates the territorial integrity of Cypriot seas and air space. It acts to limit the economic activities of the tiny republic and it subjects it to the menacing threat of a massively armed contingent of 45,000 soldiers.

The division of Cyprus is a matter of invasion and occupation, and not as Turkey claims, a matter of inter-communal conflict. On this very point, the European Court of Human Rights (ECHR) has held time and time again that Turkey exercises "effective overall control of northern Cyprus through its military presence there . . ." and stresses the point "that Turkey's responsibility under the [European] Convention could not be confined to the acts of its own soldiers and officials operating in northern Cyprus, but was also engaged by virtue of the acts of the local administration . . ., which survived by virtue of Turkish military and other support." There can be no doubt from the rulings of the ECHR that the division of the Republic of Cyprus continues because of the Turkish military occupation.

The Cyprus problem pits American allies against one another and impedes the orderly progress of NATO and the E.U. in a strategically vital part of the world. The time has come for us to ask ourselves, is the Government of Turkey part of the solution or is it the very heart of the problem. How Turkey resolves the division of Cyprus will work to define how Turkey will be engaged by Europe. Should Turkey continue to occupy Cyprus as a post-imperial power with no regard for its prior commitments to international agreements and with no sense of obligation to the very European heritage, history and culture that it must uphold as an aspirant member of the E.U., Turkey will by its own hand foreclose its chances of joining the European Union.

Madam Speaker, Turkey is gambling with more than even the democratic liberties of the people of Cyprus. I fear that should Turkey fail to honor democracy, human rights and the rule of law, Turkey will drift away from the United States and Europe and chart a course that will be openly adverse to the interest of NATO, America and the E.U. It is high time that we engage our ally, while we still can, and ensure a democratic resolution to the division of Cyprus.