

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

Friday, November 4, 2011

The Honorable John Boehner
Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives
H-232 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Speaker Boehner:

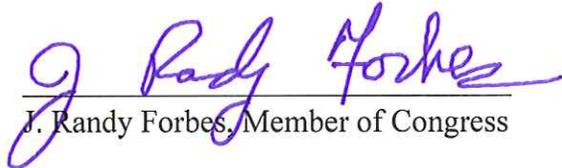
We were encouraged to hear your statement on October 27 that the Department of Defense's baseline budget has already paid its fair share to deficit reduction. We are in agreement that the Department has contributed enough and believe that further reductions will only serve to compromise our national security.

As the Joint Select Committee on Deficit Reduction continues its deliberations, we will continue to work with you to bring attention to this issue and ensure that our nation remains prepared to respond to current and future security challenges.

Sincerely,



Howard P. "Buck" McKeon,
Member of Congress



J. Randy Forbes, Member of Congress



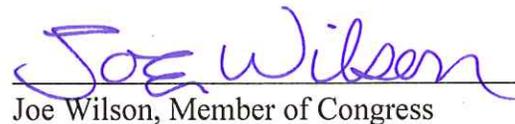
W. Todd Akin, Member of Congress



Mac Thornberry, Member of Congress



Rob Wittman, Member of Congress



Joe Wilson, Member of Congress